

## Executive Summary (Enhancing the Role of SMEs in Global Value Chains)

The globalisation of production has reached an unprecedented extent, with the production of goods and services increasingly fragmented across enterprises and countries. If large and multinational companies (MNEs) of OECD countries clearly lead this process, small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) -their traditional partners, suppliers or distributors- are confronted by the diverse opportunities and challenges that arise from the new production context.

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