



TRANS-PACIFIC PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT (TPP)

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WTO and Trade Liberalization

- WTO was established in 1993. Currently, WTO has 163 members countries. Kazakhstan and Liberia are the latest.
- Role of WTO: as a guardian for multilateral trading system
- Uruguay Round (1986-1994)
- Doha Development Round (DDA) was launched at the WTO's Fourth Ministerial Conference in Doha, Qatar, in November 2001.
- Early harvest of the DDA Bali Package 2013
- Lack of progress in WTO -> countries started to opt for bilateral and regional agreements



The Rise of the Market Economy

- Collapse of Berlin Wall in 1989
- Examples of post-socialist countries: China, Vietnam,
 Soviet Union, Cambodia, Myanmar
- Democracy is about openness and free market.





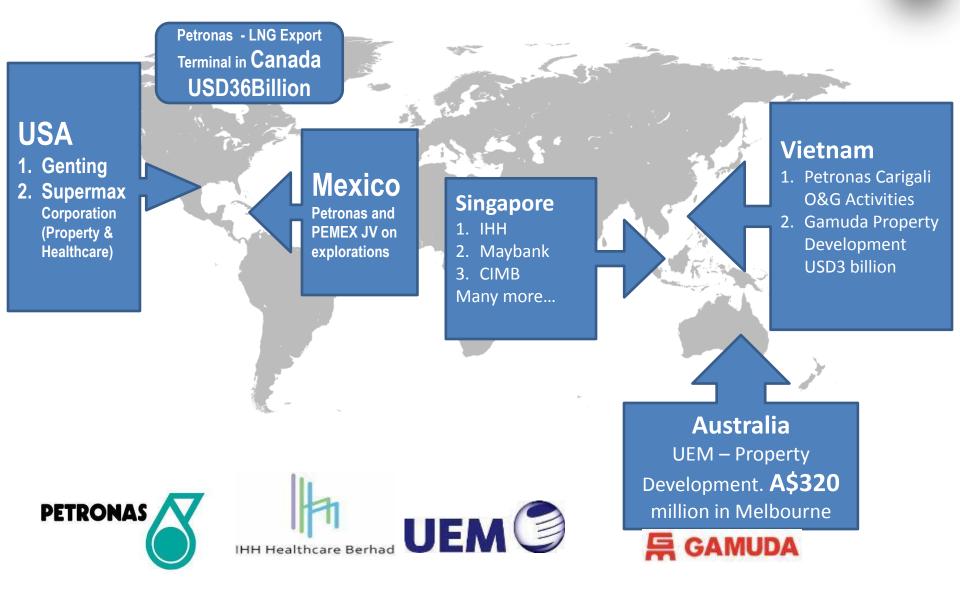
China's Model of Liberalization

- Chinese economic reform, also known as the "socialist market economy,"
- Political Model Communism
- Economic Model Free Enterprise

"We mustn't fear to adopt the advanced management methods applied in capitalist countriesThe very essence of socialism is the liberation and development of the productive systems...Socialism and market economy are not incompatible"

DIA vs FDI



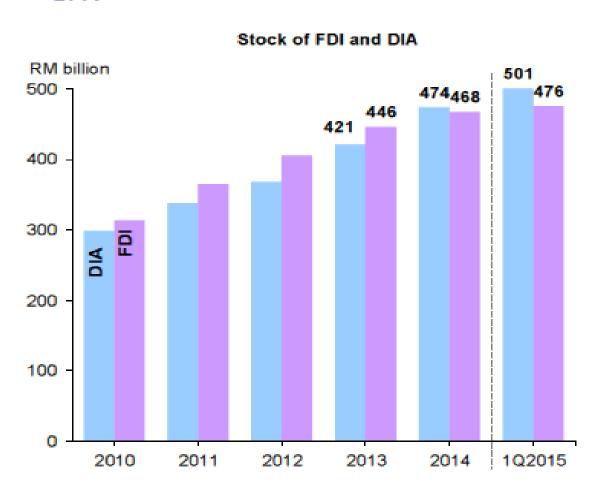


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Stock of FDI vs DIA

On a stock basis, DIA had exceeded FDI as at end-2014





Malaysian Investments in TPP Countries

UEM Sunrise lancar Aurora Melbourne



UEM Sunrise @ Australia (22 October 2015)



PETRONAS @ Canada



Malaysian Companies in TPP





























TPP Countries Investment in Malaysia (2014)

- Stock of foreign investment in Malaysia: (US, Japan, Singapore)
- U.S. and Japan are existing big investors.
- Currently, there are a total of **330 U.S. companies**, and **680 Japan** companies in Malaysia.
- In 2014, Japan was the largest investor with 55 projects amounting to RM10.87 billion and employment of 6,708. US was the 6th largest investor with 23 projects amounting to RM1.35 billion and employment of 2,897.
- First Solar and Infineon in Kulim High Tech, Citibank, Intel, Flextronics, AIG, Dell among others.

Japan RM10.8 billion

Singapore RM7.8 billion

United States of America RM1.3 Billion



US Companies in Kulim Hi-Tech Park

Companies	Sector	Investment	Employment
First Solar Malaysia	Solar Panel	RM4.7 bilion	2,405
Intel	Semiconductor devices	RM2.6 bilion	6,244
Entegris (Malaysia)	Plastic Products	RM313 juta	192









Japanese Companies in Kulim Hi-Tech Park



Companies	Sector	Investment	Employment
Fuji Electric	Hard disk drive	RM4.75 bilion	2,430
Panasonic Energy	Solar panel, cell and wafer	RM4.55 bilion	3,400













Globalization has winners and losers...

Joseph Stiglitz (Nobel Prize Winner):

 The need for government to regulate, for it to be beneficial.

Thomas Picketty (French Economist) :

- Wealth inequality is currently much less extreme than a century ago.
- Possible remedy: Tax on wealth (Government's Intervention)



Globalization and Malaysia

- In countries like Philippines and Bangladesh, foreign remittance as major income of their countries.
- Tourism 27.44 million tourists arrival in 2014
- Promoting growth and equitable development
- GLCs, to spearhead the socio-economic agenda
- Bumiputera Policies
- Regional Development
- Policy for B40 and M40 (in the recent 2016 Budget Announcement)



Globalization & Interconnected World

- Manufacturing is outsourced around the world, with each component made in locations chosen for expertise and low costs.
- Global supply chain is more efficient but can result in significant supply shocks

Examples:

- 1) Flooding in Bangkok in 2011
 - Halt in production of electronics
 - Production of cars affected globally
- 2) Earthquake in Fukushima in 2011
 - Halt in production of electronics





Globalization & Interconnected World

Downside:

- Spread of communicable diseases
- MERS, SARS and Ebola

- Ebola outbreak in 2014 11,000+ deaths, mainly in Liberia, Guinea, Sierra Leone
- Also cases reported in Nigeria, USA, Spain, UK and Italy
- All previous cases have less than 300 deaths



Globalization & Interconnected World

Overview:

Win-Win, Trade, Investment, Tourism...

• BUT need intervention, eg. B40, poverty...

TPP: Transparency, Governance, and Standards

- TPP promotes transparency and good governance practices
- Curb corruption
- Sustainable trade and development



Confidence

- Outstanding Malaysian companies PETRONAS, Khazanah, Maybank, CIMB
- Malaysians working abroad (Professionals)
- Built the longest highway in Indonesia (116km at Cikopo, Palimanan Toll Road Project)
- Built Bahrain International Circuit
- IOI's high-end development in Singapore's Sentosa Cove
- UEM in Melbourne
- Malaysian pilots in the Middle East countries



Automotive Industry Pre & Post TPP

Currently

Import duties for ASEAN have been eliminated and will be eliminated for Japan and Australia in 2016.

Post-TPP

- Import duty (30%) for sensitive automotive products - e.g. CBU vehicles - will be eliminated within 12 years.
- Other automotive products will be eliminated between 5 and 10 years.



SME Pre & Post-TPP

Currently

Market Access

- 65% of import duties have been eliminated under WTO
- >90% import duties have been eliminated under various implemented FTAs (ASEAN, ASEAN+1 and Bilateral FTAs covering 19 countries)

Post-TPP

- 84.71% import duties will be eliminated upon entry into force (EIF) of TPP
- 93.21% import duties will be eliminated in 5 years from EIF
- 99.1% import duties will be eliminated in 10 years from EIF
- Impact on SMEs is minimum as they are already competing since the liberalization under ASEAN and other FTA platforms



ISDS and TPP

Currently

- 74 Bilateral Investment Treaties (BITs)
- 8 FTAs (Malaysia-Japan, Malaysia-India, Malaysia-Pakistan, Malaysia-New Zealand, ASEAN-China, ASEAN-Korea, ASEAN-Australia-New Zealand, ASEAN-India) which contain ISDS provisions.

ISDS in TPP (Safeguards Negotiated)

Provisions on mandatory consultation and mediation.

Transparency provisions – open hearing and documents made public.

Interpretation by governments on the TPP Agreement is binding on tribunals.

Frivolous claims investor pays.

Explicit mention of government right to regulate for public health.

For tobacco, Malaysia can deny the use of ISDS for tobacco control measures adopted by the country.



ISDS and TPP

In TPP:

Malaysia can DENY the use of ISDS for tobacco control measures.

In TTIP (EU) (on-going negotiations):

- Commission proposes new Investment Court System for TTIP and other EU trade and investment negotiations
- Enhancing the transparency of the proceedings





- Transition Period
- Threshold
- Non-Conforming Measures Annexes
- Bumiputera Policies
- State Governments (ie. GP, GLCs, Environment, Land related matters)



1. TPP has little to do with trade...

- TPP has various new trade chapters such as GP, SOE, IPR, Environment, Labor ...
- TPP is not just about trade regulation, but to ensure sustainable and responsible trade environment for our future generations
- Trade regime that adheres to global standards will attract FDI and promote greater technology transfer to Malaysia



2. US will seize our wealth through their corporations – new form of colonization.

- Even without TPP, MNCs and western corporations have been operating in our country
- They generate investment, job opportunities, transfer technological know-how to us
- Malaysia as a trading nation we can't close down our doors to MNCs
- TPP will strengthen Malaysia as a regional hub and our position in the global supply chain
- We aspire to produce high value added products and services



3. Bumiputera rights under threat?

- Flexibilities & Exclusions Negotiated in Services & Investment, Government Procurement & State Owned Enterprises Chapters
 - ✓ High threshold
 - Transition Period
 - ✓ Covered Entities
 - √ 30% Set aside Policy for Bumiputera
 - ✓ Preferential licences
 - ✓ Subsistence programmes and maintained and can be continued
 - ✓ PPP Projects
 - ✓ Regional & Rural Development



4. Loss of job opportunities due to influx of foreign workers?

- TPP provides avenue for skilled workers and professionals to work abroad (TPP Countries)
- Entrance of skilled workers and professionals is still subject to domestic regulations / requirements
- Labour Chapter in TPP is about upholding the workers welfare in Malaysia



5. SMEs will be losing out due to influx of TPP products?

- Zero import duty for more than 65% products entering Malaysia under WTO;
- Zero import duty for >90% products entering Malaysia under various bilateral / ASEAN and ASEAN+1 FTAs covering 19 countries
- Continuous capacity building for SMEs



6. TPP will affect good relations with our current FTA partners (ie.China, ASEAN)?

- TPP WILL NOT 'write-off' our current FTAs (Bilateral, ASEAN or ASEAN+1 FTAs)
- While pursuing TPP, ASEAN driven Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP/ASEAN+6) negotiations are ongoing
- TPP opens to participation from all APEC members including China
- Some economies have shown their interest to join TPP – Korea, Indonesia, Philipines



7. TPP is a 'one-way' entrance?

- The TPPA allows for Parties to withdraw from this Agreement.
- Such withdrawal shall take effect 6 months after the Party provides written notice



8. Will Malaysian culture be under threat?

- Exclusions Negotiated in which Malaysia has the right to ensure that Malaysian decency standards are met and the Guidelines on application for filming and performance by foreign artistes (PUSPAL) must be adhered by all foreign artists and film makers.
- In short, the Government maintains the right to carry out censorship
- Pornography, lewd content products are prohibited under the Customs Act.



9. Will State
Authorities lose their rights to regulate?

Exclusions Negotiated whereby, every State authority maintains the right to regulate matters pertaining to types of businesses as well as land matters for commercial and non-commercial purposes i.e. buying, leasing, caveat etc.



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What if we are not in TPP

- WHAT IF we are not in ASEAN?
- Bigger challenge to attract FDI and keep existing investors.
- Trade Rules: More onerous commitment if join later. There will be no flexibilities as per what we have negotiated NOW for carveouts (ie.Bumiputera policies), threshold, transition period...
- Lose out to new entrants joining TPP, example Korea, Taiwan and other APEC economies
- Viet Nam and Singapore will have advantage over Malaysia through preferential access to TPP markets
- We will be **disadvantaged in the regional supply chain** due to loss of preferential treatment for raw materiasl and unfinished goods.



Going forward, we believe TPP will ...

- Further promote our trade and investment agenda
- Ensure Malaysia moves in tandem with regional and global development, especially in keeping abreast with our competitors
- Ensure Malaysia keeps pace with international standards labour, environment



Thank you

















