

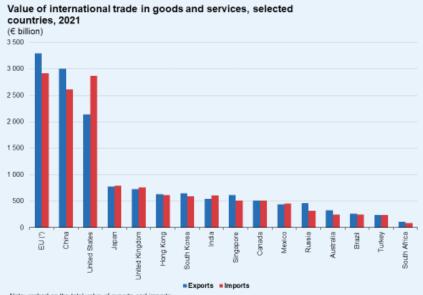
Supply Chains and Open Strategic Autonomy

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Europe in the world

- EU remains committed to international trade, EU is the most important trade continent (in 2021 international trade in goods and services represented 21.5% of EU's GDP)
- In 2021 the EU exported more goods and services (EUR 3.29 trillion) than any individual country and the EU also recorded the highest level of imports (EUR 2.92 trillion)

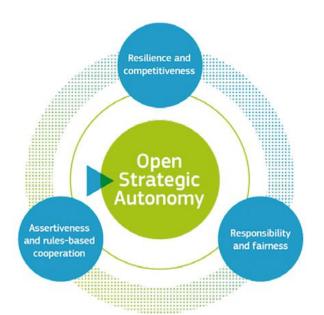


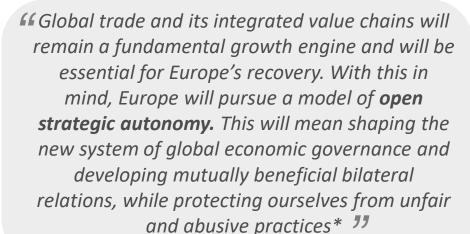
Note: ranked on the total value of exports and imports.

(*) Extra-EU trade.

Source: Eurostat (online data code: bop_eu6_q) and International. Monetary Fund (Balance of Payments and

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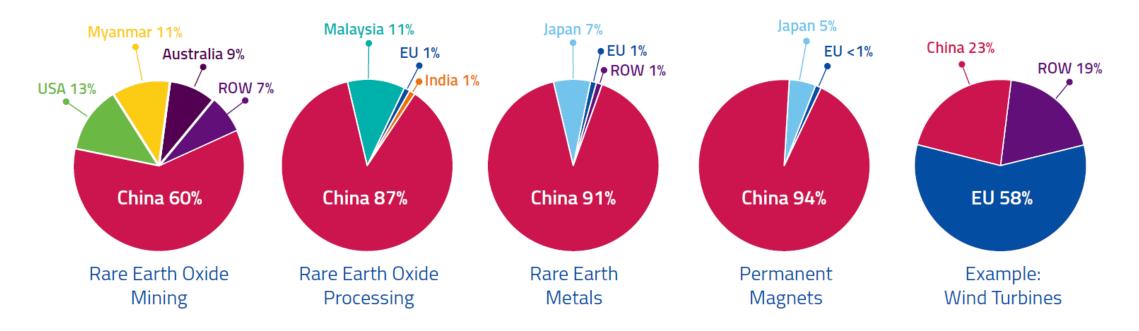




* Europe's moment: Repair and Prepare for the Next Generation, May 2020 – Commission Communication, COM(2020) 456 final, 27/05/2020



Example: EU is highly dependent in rare earth value chain



Chinese dominance along the Rare-Earths supply chain



Example: EU and Russia have mutual dependencies in strategic ecosystems

Dependent Country

Source of dependency

Number of dependent products

Share in total import value

Potential for diversification (% of dependent products)

Criteria: Imports (1) Concentration

(2) Domestic substitutes

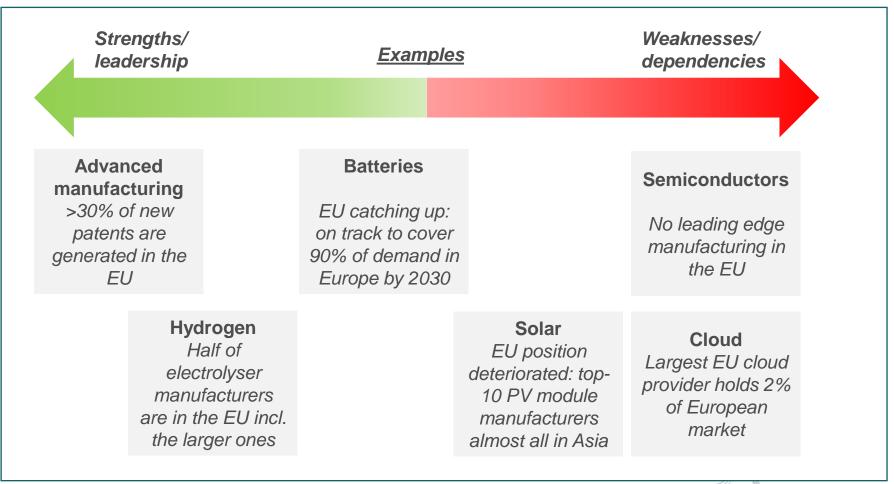




Review of EU's strategic capacities

Main take-aways

- 1. Dependencies are **not limited to products**
- Strategic capacity in key technologies is essential to deliver on green/digital ambitions
- 3. EU has strengths and weaknesses: highly competitive in some areas, highly dependent in others





Tools and policy measures...

European Commission has a toolbox of policy measures. Some of the examples are ...



Horizon Europe partnerships

Bringing together private and public funding to finance research and innovation on low-carbon technology and processes.

New and coming from EU:

- Ban on products with forced labour
- Critical Raw Materials Act

- Chips Act







Transition pathways

Co-create jointly with industry and stakeholders, transition pathways to identify the actions needed to achieve the twin transitions, giving a better understanding of the scale, benefits and conditions required.

Clusters capture important linkages in terms of

- uptake of technologies,
- skills.
- infrastructure.
- business development and
- > research

cutting across different firm sizes and industries







Thank you



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Push for supply chains resilience globally

Prioritisation of supplies of goods and services:
US, China

Stockpiling of critical inputs:

US, Japan, Korea, China

Public procurement measures to support critical sectors:

US, Japan, India, China

Screening of foreign acquisitions in critical sectors:

Japan, US, UK

Investments in specific supply chains:
US, Japan, Australia,
China

