

Topic: IPR protection and participation in GVCs

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Key Issues:

Mega FTAs emerge in the 21st century trade governance.

IPR protection is one of the critical issues.

The Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) agreement shows us an example of robust IPR standards.

Emerging Asian economies' adherence to an international agreement containing high level commitments on IP protection could be seen as an effort to gain access to, or to secure an established presence in global value chains (GVCs).