When CP Met IP: How to Operationalize Special and Differential Treatment?

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How does it sound?

- "Korea's experience illustrates that it is better to introduce a competition regime at the initial stage of economic growth when monopolies have not yet gained political and economic power"
 - Communication from the Republic of Korea, 2001
- Russian example.
- Having reached the top, advocating that the ladder must be removed.

- A Turkish saying

Bygones are bygones, but the question remains....

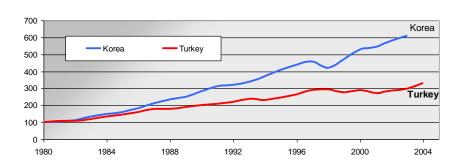
Income per capita

- → In 1980 income per capita in Turkey was USD 1,910\$ (TR ½ of Korea).
- → In 2004, income per capita in Turkey is (USD 3,196\$) Korea's income per capita (USD12,742\$).(TR 1/4 of Korea)

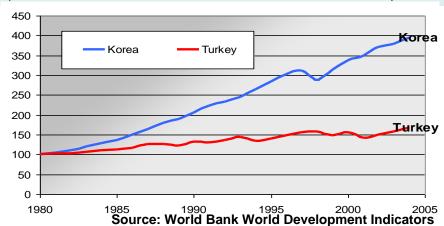
Industrial Value Added

- → In 1980, industrial value added was USD 15 billion in Turkey and USD 35 billion in Korea. (TR is ~1/2 of Korea)
- → In 2003, industrial value added has reached USD 45 billion in Turkey, and USD 215 billion in Korea. (TR is 1/5 of Korea).

GDP per capita Turkey and Korea 1980-2003 (1980 values are indexed to 100 for both countries)



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Outline

- Where does the tension come from, when does CP meet IP?
- Turkey: Policy Challenges
 - Sustainability of the growth process: Productivity growth
 - Rising Current Account Deficit
 - Ongoing corporate sector transformation
 - → Industrial-Competition policy mix
- Needs
 - Fast integration into the Global Value Chain
 - Moving up the Global Value Chain
 - → Productivity growth
- ... but how?
 - → Role of Competition Policy to enhance productivity growth
 - → Is there room for "Special and Differential Treatment"?

Risks for Emerging Economies (1)

- Production processes are Global
- Accounts are National



- Hence <u>currently</u> vulnerabilities are <u>still</u> national
 - → Dependency on intermediate good imports
 - → Rising Current Account Deficits
 - → The necessity to move up the global value chain

Risks for Emerging Economies (2)

- Production processes are Global
- Competition policy enforcement is national
- Unit of analysis in competition policy enforcement is still too narrow

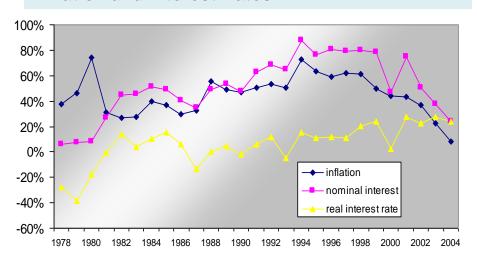


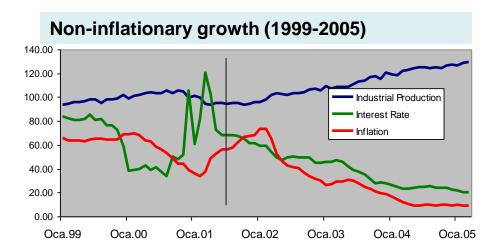
- Coordination of development strategy and competition policy is needed at national level
- Not a one-size-fits-all competition policy recipe
- Coordination of policy enforcement? Export cartels, etc.

Turkey: a new process following the 2001 crisis?

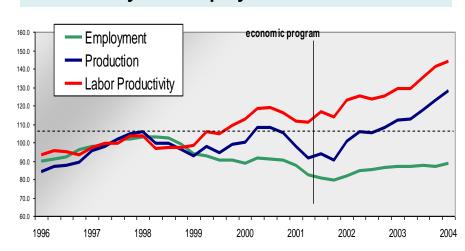
- Growth without inflation
- Interests rates are falling down
- Productivity is rising
- No net job creation
- Sustainability a problem?

Inflation and Interest Rates



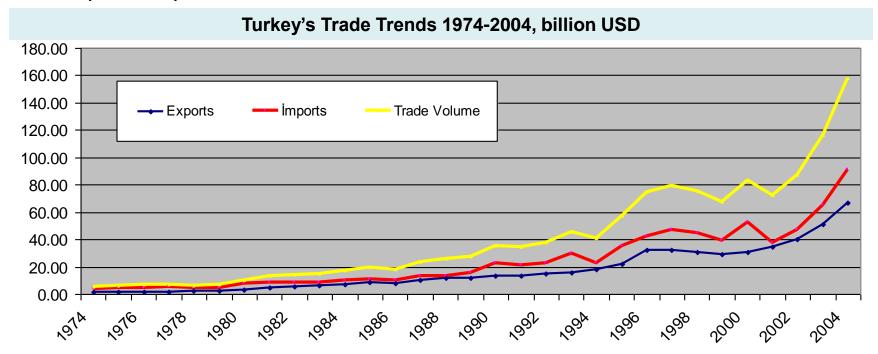


Productivity and Employment Trends



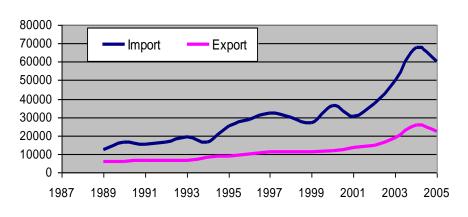
Increasing Global Integration

- Turkey's total trade volume has started to rise after the 1980s as a result of the economic liberalization program which involved a transition to export-oriented and a free-market based growth strategy.
- Trade flows have further increased with Turkey's entrance into the customs union agreement with the EU in 1996.
- The final boost to trade came in 2001, when a floating exchange rate regime was put into place.

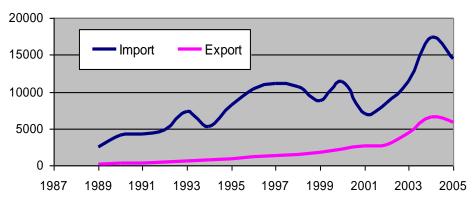


Breakdown of Trade (1987-2005*)

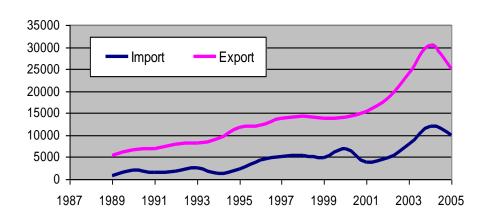
Intermediate Goods (MIn \$)



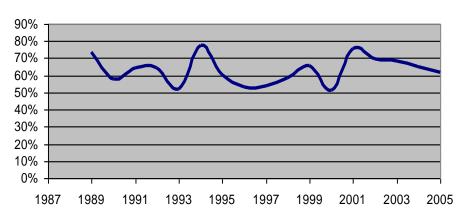
Capital Goods (MIn \$)



Consumer Goods



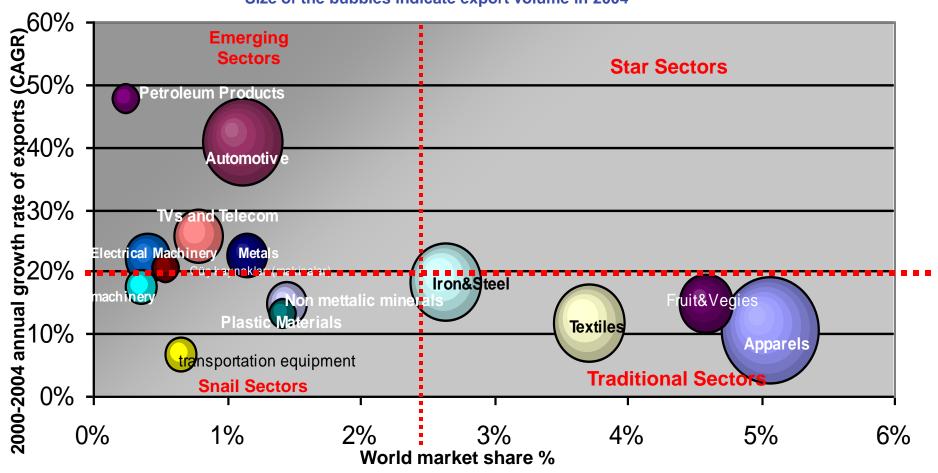
Overall Export / Import Ratio



*2005 data ends in June.

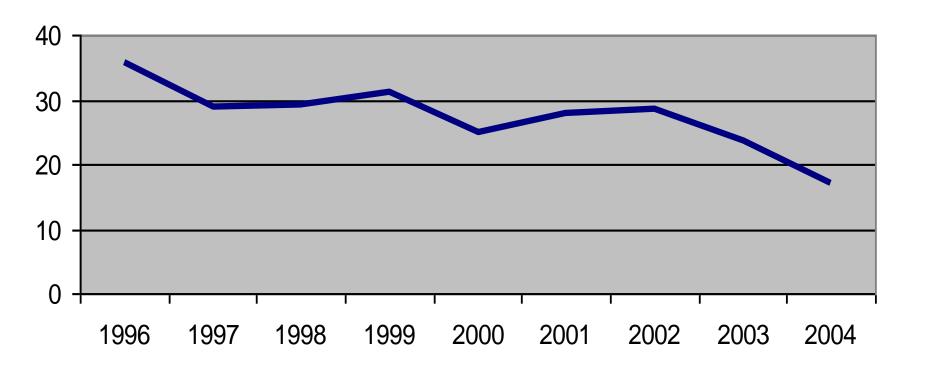
Competitiveness of Turkish Industries





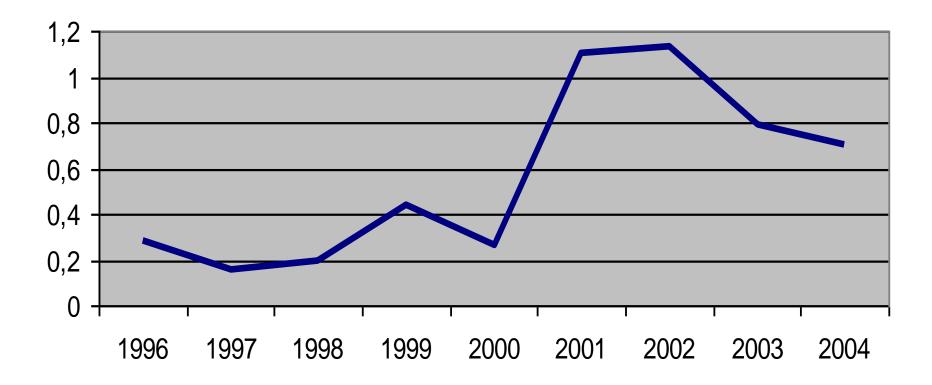
Export / Import Ratio in Traditional Industries

Apparels



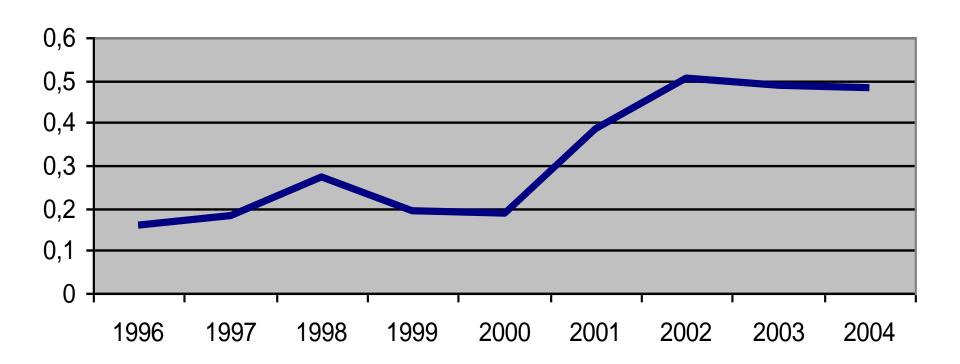
Export / Import Ratio in Emerging Sectors (1)

Automotive



Export / Import Ratio in Emerging Sectors (2)

Office and Communication Equipment (mainly TVs)

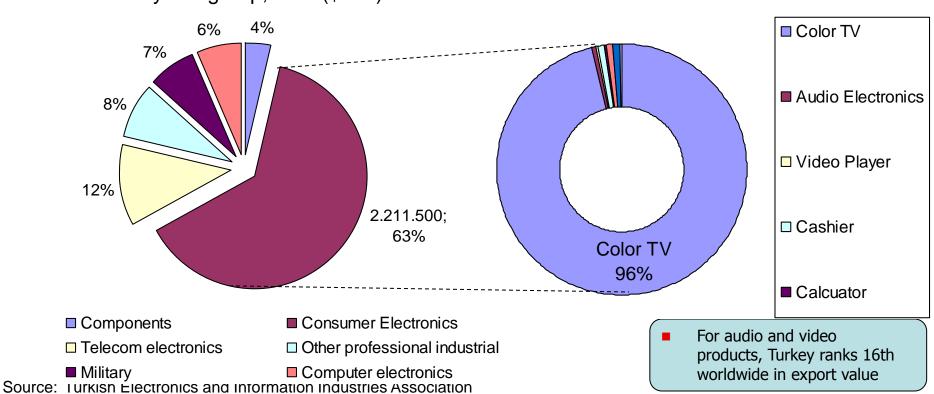


A Closer Look at the Turkish Consumer Electronics Industry

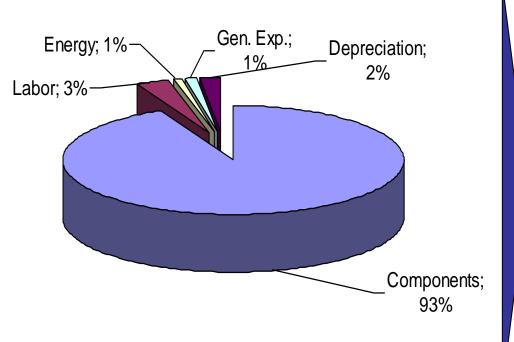
- In 2003, TV production reached a volume of USD 2.2 Billion
- 50% market share in EU
 - → 80 % as OEM (for other brands), 20% as ODM (with own brand)

Turkish Electronics IndustryProduction by Subgroup, 2003 (\$000)

Turkish Consumer Electronics Production, 2003



The Turkish TV industry is heavily dependent on imported components

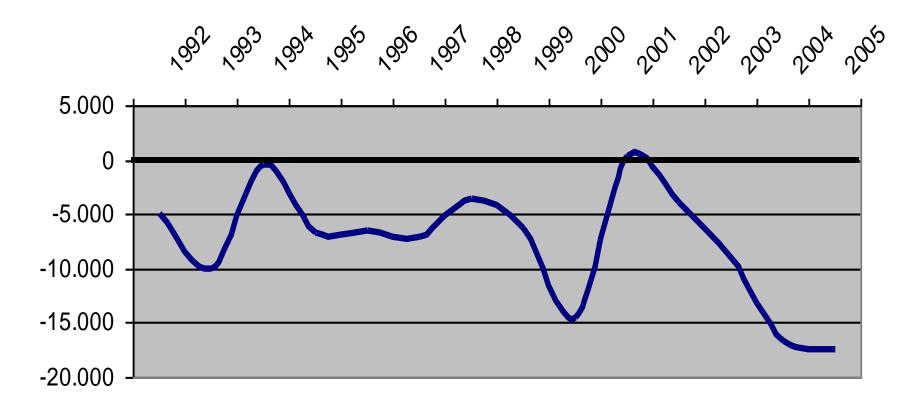


Dependence on imported components

- Turkish consumer electronics industry has recently started importing from East Asia with the lifting of anti-dumping taxes
- Until then most components were imported from the EU

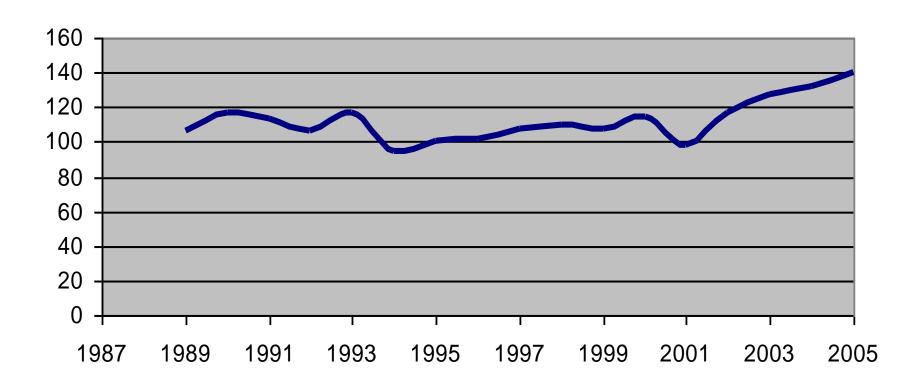
Rising Current Account Deficit

Current Account Balance (Mln \$)



Exchange Rate Trends

Real Exchange Rate (Average)



What do the numbers tell?

- Exports are on the rise; but so are imports (even faster)
- Appreciating exchange rate plays a role
- Structure of the production process has to be considered (Correct even before 2000)
- Going to be all the more important: Mode of integration to the global production process

Can a country choose the mode of integration?

- How can we define integration?: Mode of integration to the global value chain
- Integration into the Global Economy
 - → Positioning in the Global Value Chain
 - → Traditional exporting sectors (textile and apparels) decline in competitiveness
 - → Emerging exporting sectors (automotive, office and telecom equipment) are NOT net exporters
 - → In the emerging export sectors, decisions are made GLOBALLY.

In order to reduce vulnerabilities related to global integration:

- Formulate an industrial policy to:
 - → Move up to more value added activities
 - → Build strong clusters for specialized inputs
 - → Support (~ protect) the domestic learning process
 - → Facilitate skills conversion from traditional to emerging sectors
 - Removal of investment climate constraints
 - → Adopt a strategic FDI in line with development goals

A competition policy framework to enhance productivity growth (1)

- Removing entry barriers and leveling playing field for a better investment climate:
 - Removal of exclusive rights and state aids that constitute entry barriers
 - → Avoidance of vertical agreements by dominant firms
 - → Handling refusals to supply and essential facilities
- Liberalization in infrastructure sectors to lower input prices:
 - → A privatization strategy that promotes competition
 - → Prudent regulatory frameworks
 - → A balance between competition and regulatory authorities

A competition policy framework to enhance productivity growth (2)

- Promote productivity enhancing agreements through exemptions:
 - → Exemptions on R&D and technology transfers
 - → Vertical agreements: a sector-specific fine-tuning strategy to provide a balance between productivity enhancing agreements and entry barriers
 - → De minimis for agreements between SMEs; hence a liberal definition for SMEs. ENLARGE the unit of analysis?
 - → Special treatment of some sectors: a double-edged sword? **ENLARGE** the unit of analysis.
- Mergers and acquisitions:
 - → Sector-specific policy to exploit scale economies in global competition
 - → Fine-tuning between prohibitive policies and creating national champions
 - → Not omly SMEs, need for large corporations in the country.

Enhancing the competition policy space

- We need special and differential treatment of some sectors
 & agreements in line with industrial policy
- To this end, we need a competition authority:
 - which is independent, to avoid capture by vested interests
 - with a strong institutional capacity and with adequate resources to sustain that capacity
 - which has clear boundaries with regulatory authorities: delegating competitive oversight to competition authority
 - which has close control over state aids. (becomes all the more important when CP met IP)
 - which has a global outlook regarding the analysis

To sum up: full harmonization vs. room for diversity

- We have to facilitate industrial transformation towards higher value-added activities in a world where accounts are national but activities are global. (sustainability arguement)
- To this end: we need a strategic industrial policy of which competition policy is a crucial component
- Harmonization:
 - → Independent competition policy enforcement
 - → Strong policy-making capacity
- Diversity:
 - → Space for strategic policies (exemptions, etc.)

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