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Strengthening the Connectivity and Business Synergies in the SEE

Session Two

SEE-Turkey Economic Cooperation:

Past & Present

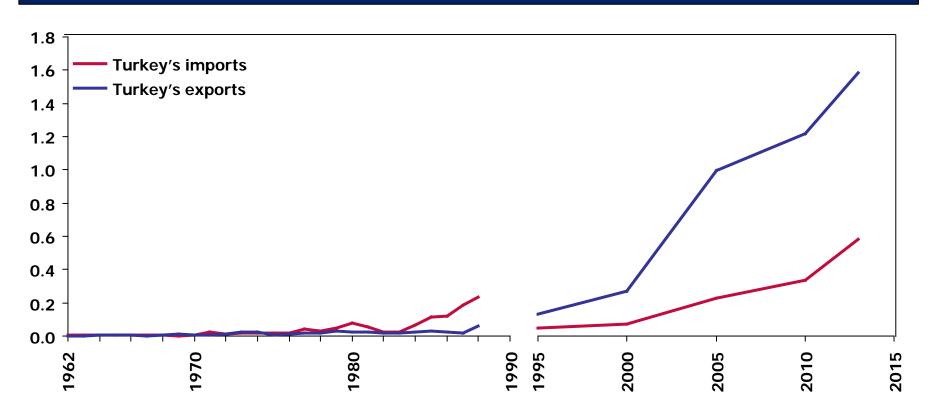
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Framework

- Evolution of bilateral trade relations
 - → Sophistication of traded goods
 - Pockets of growth
 - → Turkey's regional integration performance
- Turkey's quest for regionalization
 - → Snapshot of Turkish investments in the past decade
 - → Patterns of Turkish investor behavior in SEE-6
 - → Impact of Turkish investments for destination country
- Takeaways and discussion questions

Bilateral trade since Yugoslavia times From surplus to deficit following breakup

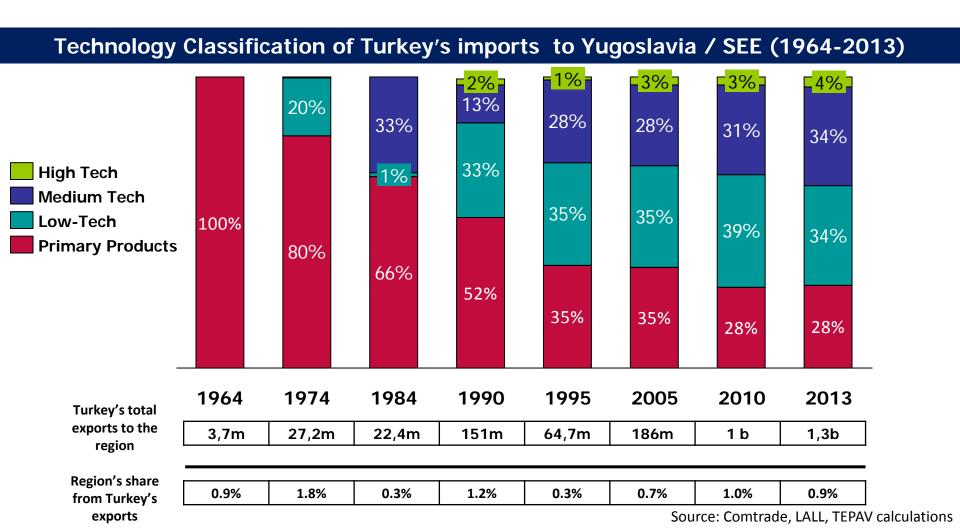
Turkey – SEE total trade, billion USD (1962-2013)



Source: Comtrade, TEPAV calculations

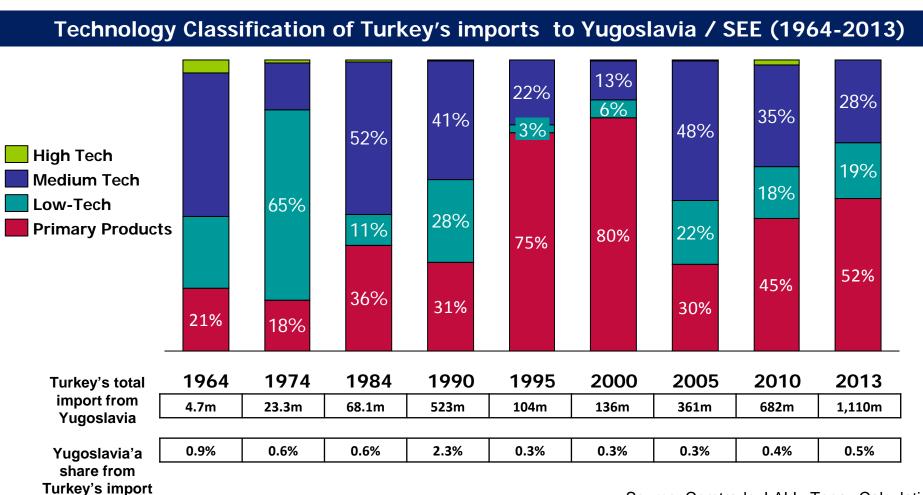
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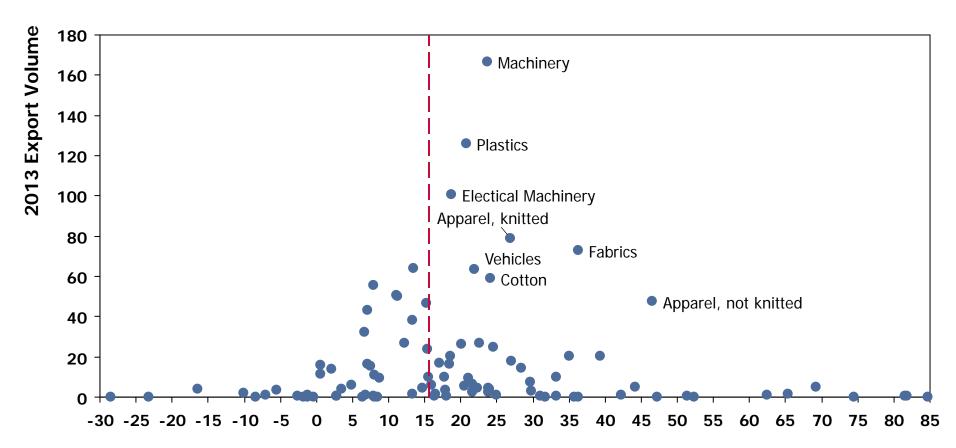


Source: Comtrade, LALL, Tepav Calculations

Turkey's exports to the region

Growth driven by machinery and textiles

Turkey's exports to SEE, by sector, 2005-2013, million \$



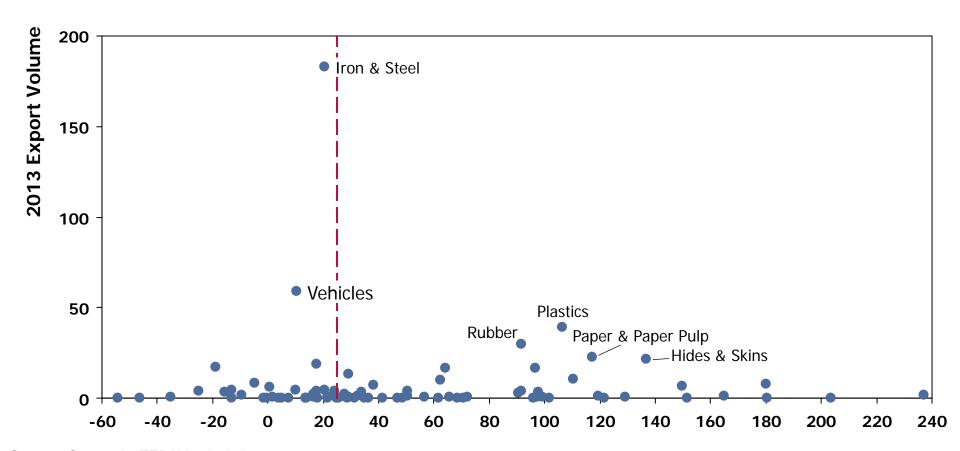
Source: Comtrade, TEPAV calculations

2005-2013 Sector CAGR

Region's exports to Turkey

Growth driven by lower value added products

SEE's exports to Turkey, by sector, 2005-2013, million \$

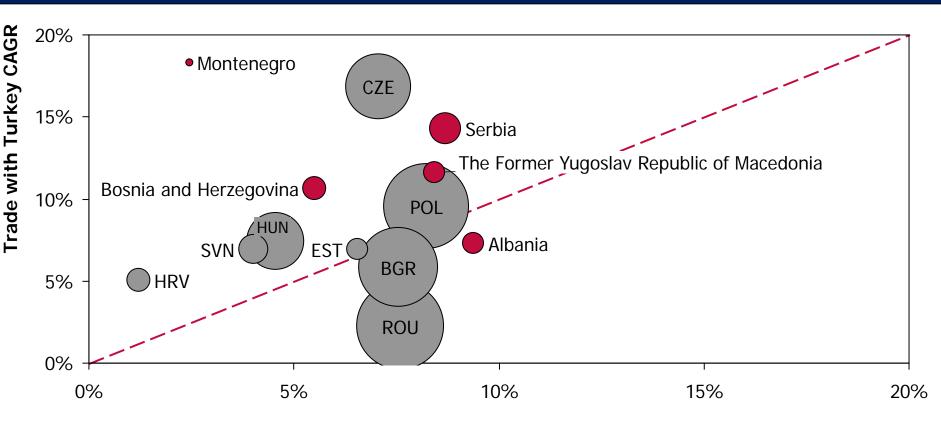


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2005-2013 Sector CAGR

The region is getting increasingly integrated with Turkey

Countries trade growth with Turkey and the world, 2006-2013,



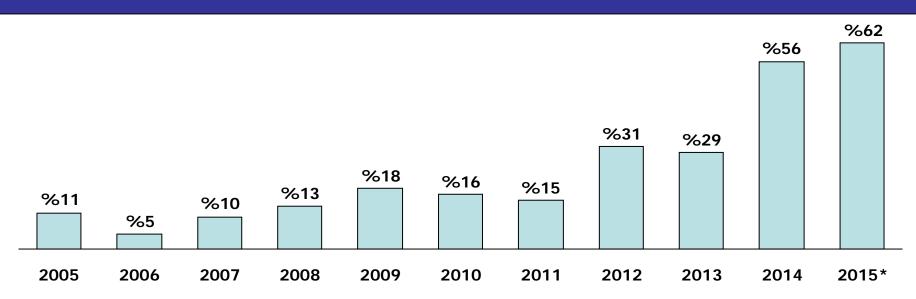
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Total Trade CAGR

Turkish private sector is increasingly generating regional investors

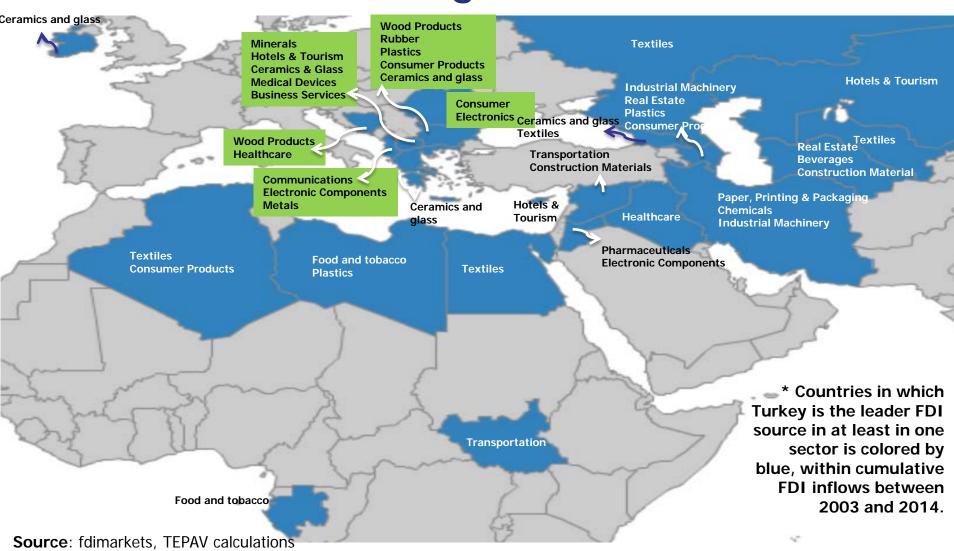
- Before the millenium, large domestic market lead to Turkish private sector's disinterest for going global.
- However, in the past 10 years, we observe a silent but growing move towards regionalization.

ODI / FDI for Turkey, %, 2005-2015



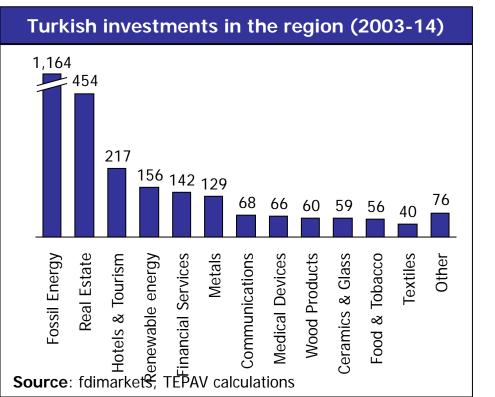
Source: Central Bank of Turkey, Balance of Payments

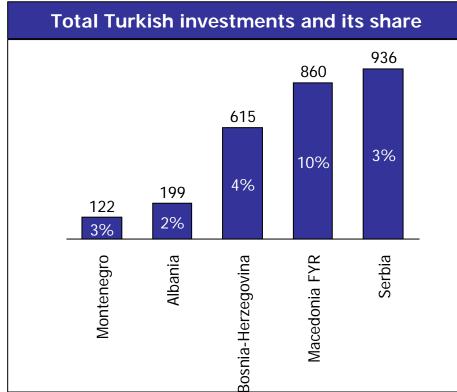
Turkish companies are emerging as leading investors in a wide range of industries...



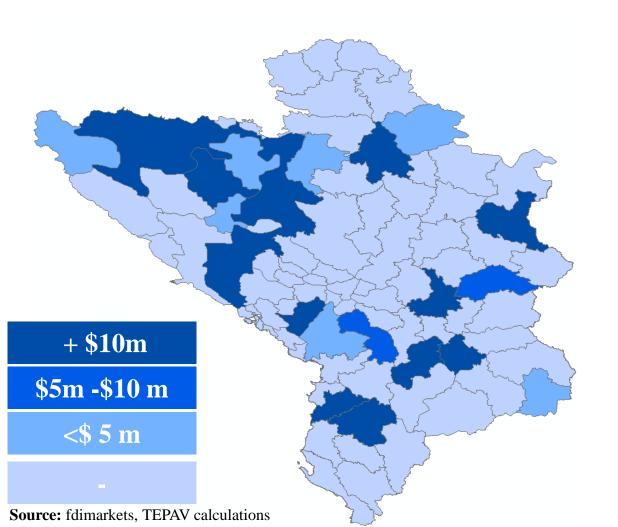
Turkish investments in SEE-6

- Turkey is one of four countries that have active investments in all six economies.
 - → Other three are Germany, Italy and Austria.
- Investments concentrate in energy, construction and services, with few manufacturing as well.





Regional concentration of Turkish investments in the SEE-6



A list of Turkish large companies active in SEE:

- Natron Hayat
- Şişecam
- Sütaş
- Çalık Group
- Cevahir Group
- TAV
- Enka
- Halkbank
- ZiraatBank
- TEB

Patterns identified

1. Entry of Turkish Banks

BiH, Albania, The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Kosovo*, Serbia

- Both state & private banks
- Access to strategic knowledge (who to work with, who to avoid etc.)
- Access to finance (investment and working capital)
- Lower transaction costs
- Potential for targeted industrial policy intervention / SME development

Sectoral breakdown of ZiraatBank's loans

	31 December 2013	31 December 2012		
Trade	73	27		
Mining and Industry	59	27		
Real estate	19	4		
Agriculture	12	5		
Construction	6	3		
Transport and communications	3	2		
Hospitality and tourism	2	0,2		
Energy	-	7		
Other	21	10		
Legal entities	196	86		
Individuals	84	66		
TOTAL	280	152		

Patterns identified

2. First step towards global operations

- Presence of large Turkish companies
 - → Emerging regional and global actors: Şişecam, Kastamonu Entegre, TAV, Sütaş.
 - → Balkan focused companies: Kürüm Holding,
 - → Large scale contractors: ENKA, Limak, Çalık Group, Cengiz İnşaat etc.
- A low-risk laboratory for streamlining operations.
- Possible different hubs for regional operations, particular functions.
 - → Sarajevo: Creative industries, ICT and HR?
 - → Skopje: Production for EU
 - → Subotica: Production for EU
 - → Belgrade and Novisad: Marketing and ICT

Patterns identified

3. Brownfield investments

- Preferred in sectors where constructing production facilities are too costly.
 - →Instead, seeking to buy, upgrade and expand.
- Natron Hayat, Şişecam and Kürüm's entries were all through privatization.
- Sütaş entry through buying bankrupt stateof-the-art plant in Skopje.
- Enables focusing on internal structure and operational details.

Additional details

- Turkish Airlines
 - → Primary connector of the region.
 - → 84 weekly flights to six capitals.
- Turkish universities
 - Generating Turkish speaking human capital.
 - → Need to strengthen bonds with investors.
- Turkish soap operas
 - → Major source of Turkish image in the region
 - → In 2013, 18 Turkish soaps were broadcasted accross six countries.

An important caveat:

Image issues of Turkish business delegations

- Managing the perception risks:
 - → Too many unfulfilled promises of greenfield investments.
 - → The closer the bilateral ties, the more negative Turkish investors are perceived.
 - → Especially so in Bosnia and Herzegovina and Kosovo*.
 - → Therefore, perhaps the best perception of Turkish investors is in Serbia.
- Need to develop mechanisms to distinguish serious Turkish investors from charlatans.
 - → Important role for embassies, bilateral relations councils and Turkish banks.

Investigating synergies for value chain integration between Turkey and SEE-6

Correlation between Turkey and SEE-6 economies' composition of export baskets* (2013)



Albania		Bosnia & Herzegovina		FYR Macedonia		Montenegro		Serbia	
Kocaeli	81%	Kayseri	54%	Karabük	54%	Çankırı	52%	Bursa	78%
Iğdır	36%	Şanlıurfa	53%	Muş	51%	Eskişehir	51%	İstanbul	77%
İzmir	35%	Ankara	51%	Şırnak	51%	Diyarbakır	36%	Manisa	76%

^{*}For each economies, at HS 2 digit, the share of the products in the economies' export baskets is calculated with 2013 values. Correlation between Turkish provinces and SEE-6' export basket composition is represented.

Source: BACI, TURKSTAT, TEPAV calculations

Investigating opportunities for enhancing trade between Turkey and SEE-6

Correlation between Turkey's import and SEE-6 economies' export baskets* (2013) Bosnia & Herzegovina Bosnia & Albania Herzegovina Albania Serbia Serbia Montenegro FYR Macedonia Montenegro Albania Montenegro Bosnia & **FYR Macedonia** Herzegovina **FYR Macedonia** Bosnia & Albania Serbia **FYR Macedonia** Montenegro Herzegovina Artvin İzmir Bilecik 79% 83% 53% Sivas 53% 64% Sakarya Rize 81% İstanbul 53% Osmaniye 51% Kayseri 40% Bursa 70% Van 79% Kocaeli 51% Hatay 50% Kütahya 36% İstanbul 66%

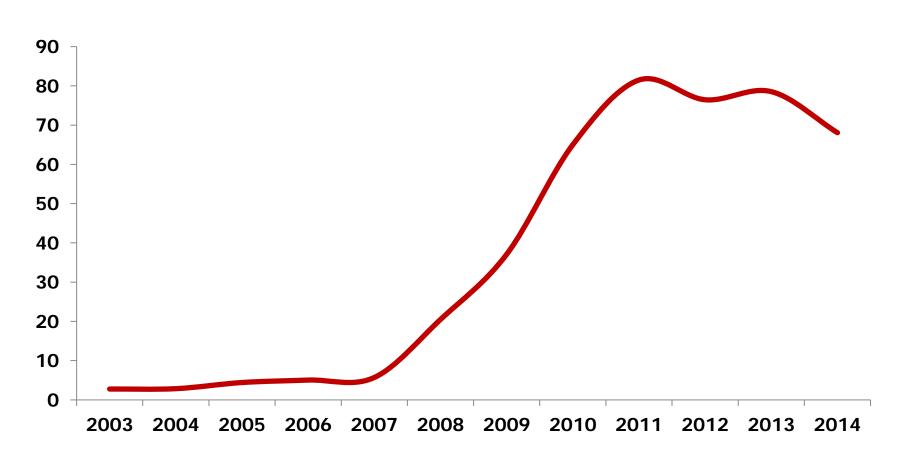
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Observing the impact of Turkish investments

The case of Natron Hayat

Bosnia and Herzegovina Wood Producst (Paper) Exports, millions US \$

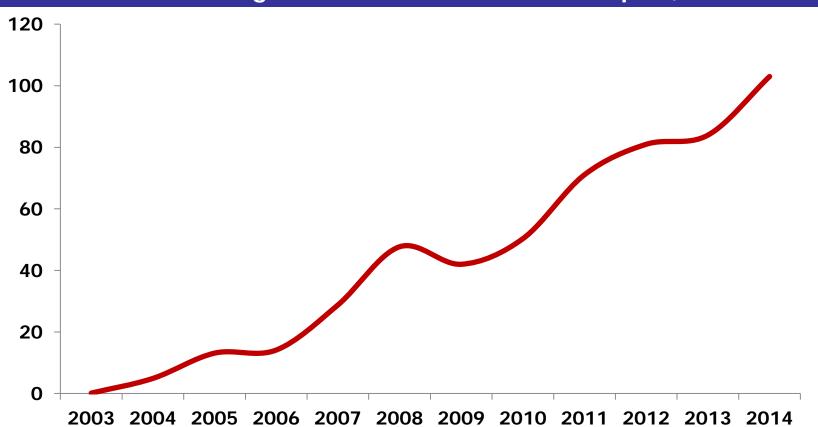


Sources: Fdimarkets, UN Comtrade, TEPAV calculations; HS4: 4804 & 4819

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The case of **Şişecam**

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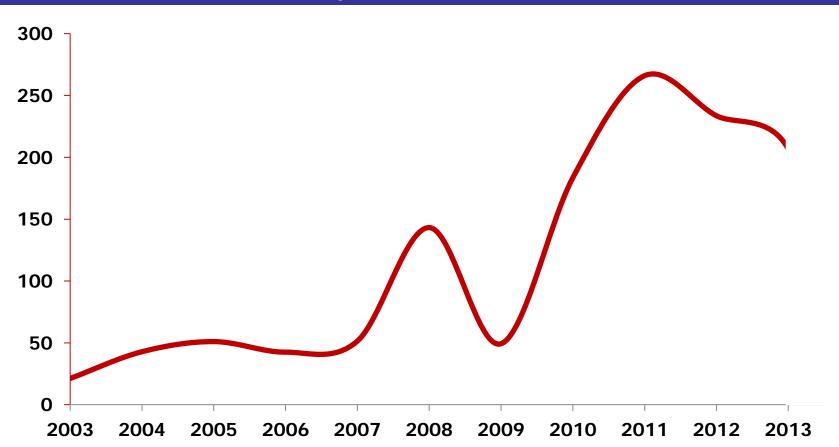


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Observing the impact of Turkish investments

The case of Kürüm Holding

Albania Metal Export and FDI inflows, millions US \$



Sources: Fdimarkets, UN Comtrade, TEPAV calculations, HS 2: 72&73

Conclusions / takeaways (1)

- Current state of economic relations do not reflect the future direction
 - Transformation potential in both sides, highly critical.
- Turkey is a medium technology, upper middle income country, with goals to become a high-tech, high-income country.
 - Transformation dimension. Technology and mode of integration.
 - Towards a different mindset.
 - Exports -- > Outward direct investments
 - Design, R&D, global operation capabilities
- For Turkey, the current mode of integration with the Balkans may change tomorrow.
 - → Cases of Kastamonu Entegre, Şişecam, Sütaş are initial cases that can be taken to other industries, to the next level.

Conclusions / takeaways (2)

- SEE countries, have gone through a negative transformation process, just recently picking up
 - → It is important to understand the capabilities inherited from Yugoslavia times. What is left? What can be revived and taken further?
 - → EU accession process. Next region of growth?
 - → How about the revival of the Silk road?
- How can SEE economies go beyond exporting primary products to Turkey?
 - → Export oriented investments. Targeted investment promotion?
 - → Transformation needed? Role of industrial policy? SME development?
- How can SEE economies use Turkey as a hub to reach other markets?
 - → MENA, Central Asia, Asia? Case of Zira Solutions is both inspiring and telling.
 - → What can be done together?

Some discussion starters

- What is your take on the transformation potential in SEE economies?
 - → Which direction is it going? Where can it go?
- Which win-win frameworks, in terms of investments and exports, are possible? Most favorable?
 - → Any past experience? Success stories?
- Where are the policy bottlenecks?
 - → At the country level? Industrial policy, investment promotion agencies, etc.
 - → At the regional level? Infrastructure project?