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#### Synopsis

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International trade has significantly contributed to worldwide growth and prosperity, despite challenges from growing protectionism and geopolitical uncertainty. Thanks to the technological progress and digital transformation, productivity will be greatly enhanced and barriers will be significantly reduced. Indeed, the "Internet of Things" will enable humankind to achieve success beyond imagination while enhanced digital connectivity will integrate all nations into a truly globalised supply chains.

The development of international trade will be strengthened by the emergence of digital transformation which relaxes the resource constraints to allow for greater scalability. Certain sectors will exit and new services will be introduced. This transformation also poses enormous uncertainty and challenges to all agents and all sectors in the economy. In particular, employees will have to adapt to the disappearance of repetitive low-skilled jobs and the enhanced demand for labour in digital-related occupations. Businesses will be exposed to new collaborative models. The scope for public policy needs to be expanded to include new areas such as cyber security and enhanced customer experience.

In this scheme of things, the special issue (SI) welcomes papers that deal with various issues broadly related to how to prosper economically but ensure fairness and security in the digital age. Below are the possible topics that we would like to include in the SI. They are by no means exhaustive.

### **Topic Coverage**

- > Trade, Technology and Digital Innovation
- J Global Value Chain
- Trade Network and Spillover Effects
- International Economic and Financial Integration
- > Trade, Growth and Investment
- International Capital Flows

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