

Which European Industrial Policy for Which Europe?

THE VIEWPOINT OF EUROPEAN COMPANIES

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BUSINESSEUROPE at a glance

- 39 members in 33 countries
- Representing small, medium and large companies
- European social partner



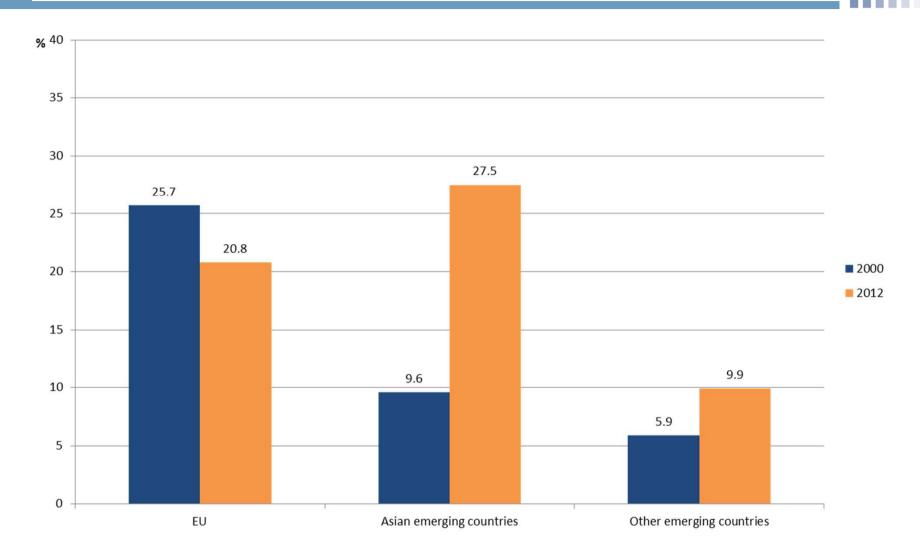


State of Europe's industry

- 52 million people are direct or indirect employed by the industrial sector
- Industry is the backbone of Europe's economy. It contributes to growth, provides jobs and serves as motor of internationalization and innovation
- Industry is responsible for 65% of Research and Development in Europe and 80% of all EU exports
- Since 2008, European manufacturing production has declined by 12.4% and 3.8 million jobs have been lost



Share of manufacturing's added value



Source: UN (2013), OECD (2013), Eurostat (2013), calculations by IW

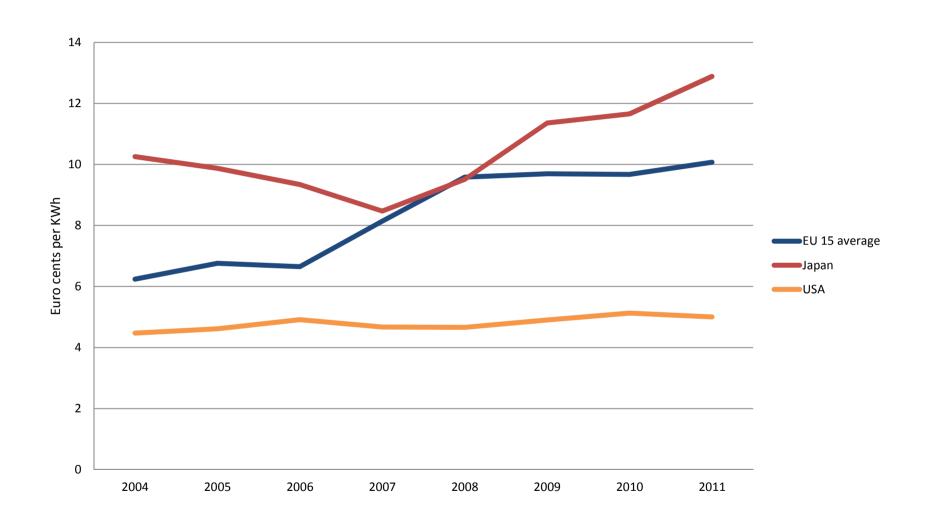


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- Promoting cooperation for innovation
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Trends in industrial electricity prices



Source: International Energy Agency, energy prices and taxes (derived from DECC, 2013)



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