# Towards Closer And Mutually Beneficial Economic Ties

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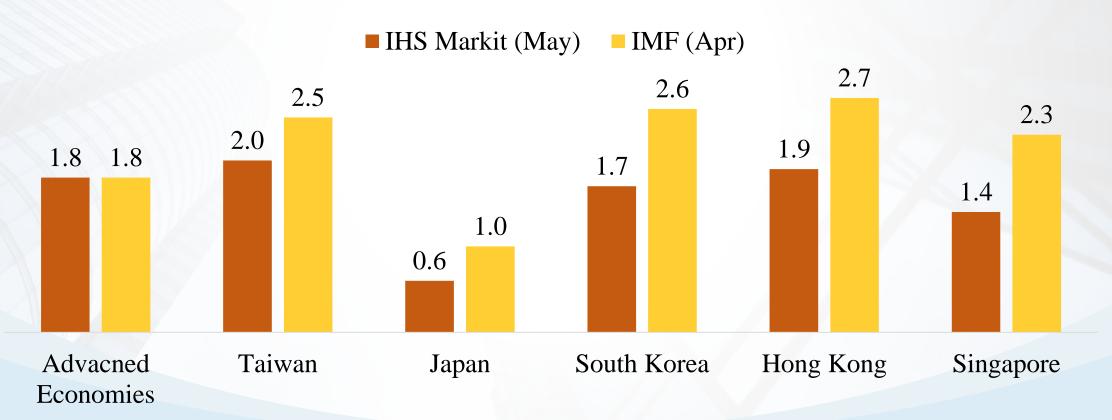
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## The Robust and Steady Economic Performance of Taiwan

Taiwan's Official Forecast of 2019 GDP Growth: 2.19% IHS Markit Forecast: 2.0%, IMF Forecast: 2.5%



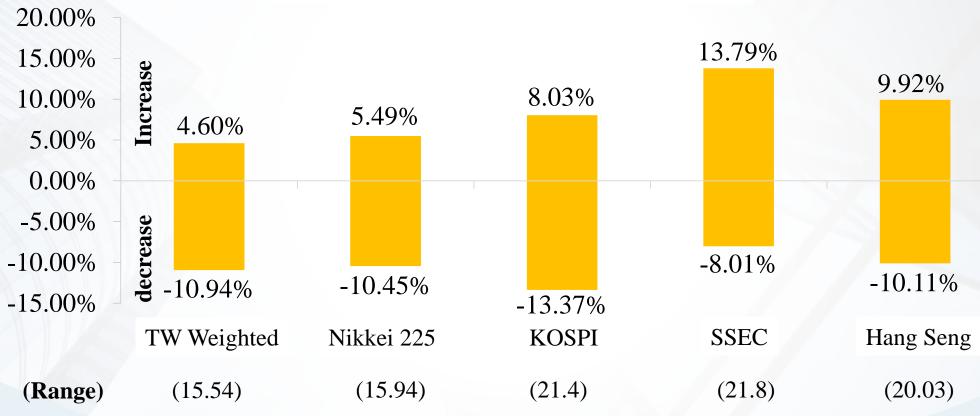
# Even Though Inevitably Affected by Global Factors, Taiwan's Financial Market Performance Remains Steady





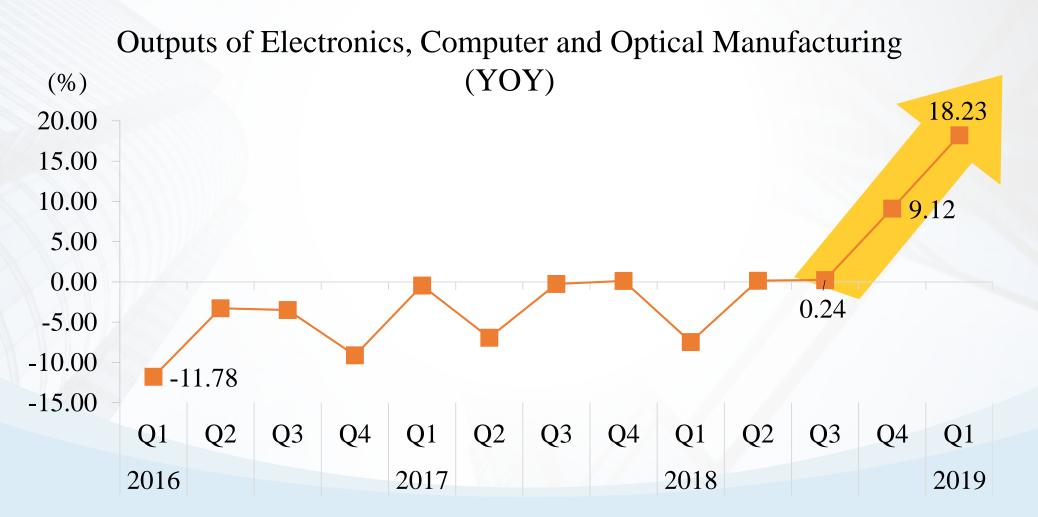
## Taiwan's Stock Market Has Been Comparatively Stable





Source: investing.com

# After Almost 20 Years of Manufacturing Sector Outflow, There Has Been Obvious and Significant Relocation Back to Taiwan This Year

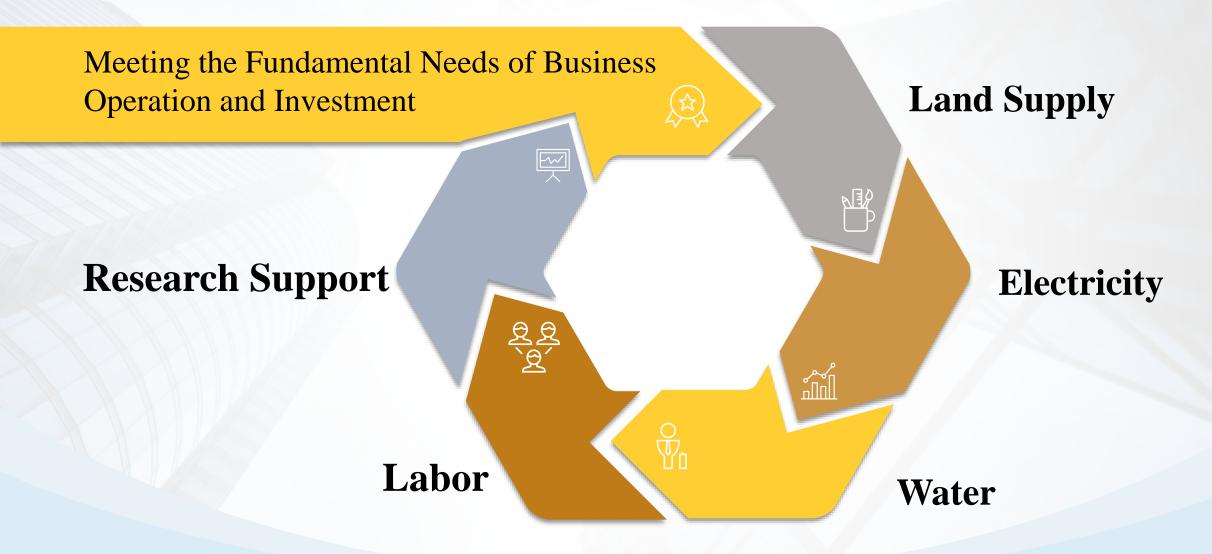


# Overseas Production of ICT Products Has Been Decreasing Gradually

Information and Communication Products



## **Important Economic Policies of Taiwan**



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Deregulation: 463 Laws and Regulations Reviewed and Amended

Relaxed conditions imposed on Streamlined the corporate foreign professionals' application taxation structure for Taiwanese citizenship Removed restrictions on Streamlined customs the issuance of foreign procedures for import bonds in Taiwan Deregulation Amended taxation regulation Expanded the scope of imposed on dividends paid to online transactions for employees, which helps

insurance companies

businesses retain talent

#### The "5+2" Innovative Industries to Promote Added Value





As a share of Taiwan's total machinery exports, machine tools accounted for 3.63 billion USD, which ranked Taiwan as 4<sup>th</sup> highest supplier in the world.

Asia Silicon Valley

The production value of IoT industry reached 39.1 billion USD in 2018, maintaining a 19% growth rate for two consecutive years

Green Energy

More than 27 local Taiwanese companies will participate in the supply chain for wind turbine parts and components

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2018 revenue of Taiwan's biomedical industry: 16.58 Biomedical billion USD. 120 Taiwanese biomedical firms launched successful IPOs

**Defense Industry** 

Stimulated 1.3 billion USD of production value and created 8,000 high quality job opportunities

New **Agricul** ture

In 2018, Taiwan's agricultural exports totaled 5.47 billion USD, and exports to the target countries of our New Southbound Policy grew by 9.3%

Circular **Economy** 

Taiwanese firms have committed to 26 investment projects. Total investment: 16.5 million USD

## **New Southbound Policy (NSP)**



Trade and Economic Relations with 18 NSP Countries Continue to Grow



The Number of Two-way Students and Internship Exchanges Grew by Double Digits



Tourist Visits and Air Flight Arrivals from NSP Countries Significantly Increased



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# Taiwan: Participate in the CPTPP

Merge Into A More Open and Liberal Regional Economic and Trade Environment

CPTPP is important to Taiwan's economy: Among the CPTPP members, Japan, Singapore, Malaysia and Vietnam are among Taiwan's top 10 trading partners. Taiwan will be the 5<sup>th</sup> largest economy in the group if it accedes to CPTPP.

To prepare for CPTPP membership, Taiwan is continuing its efforts on regulatory reform and adjustment.

The liberalization level of Taiwan's FTAs with Singapore and New Zealand is very high (ex. zero tariff coverage is close to 99%). Taiwan is capable of committing itself to a high-standard FTA.

# Bilateral Economic and Trade Relations Are Getting Closer



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In the future, Taiwan will continue its procurement from the U.S.: agricultural products, military goods, government procurement, energy, civil aircraft and semiconductor equipment, among others

## Many U.S. Companies Have Set Up Their **R&D** Centers in Taiwan



Has set up 1 start-up accelerator and 2 innovation centers Microsoft for IoT and AI. The planned investment in two years will reach 32.3 million USD, creating 750 job opportunities.



Has set up data center in Taiwan and implemented "Intelligent Taiwan" program for AI human capital and capacity. The program will train 5,000 AI and 50,000 AI marketing talents.



Has collaborated with the Taiwanese government to set up a Joint Innovation Centre

# Taiwan and the U.S. Are Trusted Business Partners to Each Other

- Taiwan is the 9<sup>th</sup> largest export market for U.S. agricultural products. Taiwan's per capita consumption of U.S. agricultural goods is 3<sup>rd</sup> highest in the world.
- In 2019 and 2020, Taiwan's **semiconductor** companies are expected to purchase facilities of around **12 billion USD** in each year, of which a third (around 4 billion USD) will be from the United States.
- The U.S. is Taiwan's second largest source of FDI, with accumulated investment of **24.3 billion USD**. It is worth noticing that for technology and intellectual property rights, the U.S. is Taiwan's top supplier.
- Between the 2018 Select USA and end of April 2019, Taiwanese companies announced 152 new investment projects in the U.S., The total investment value of these projects is 3.65 billion USD.

# Taiwan-U.S. Economic Cooperation Is Happening on Many Fronts

- The U.S. Small Business Administration and Taiwan's SMBA will cooperate in the areas such as women-led start-ups, innovation based on new technology, and assisting SMEs to expand exports to South East and South Asia. In the future, cooperation will expand to talent development and capacity building for South East Asian governments on SME development.
- Taiwan started its dialogue with the Overseas Private Investment Corporation (OPIC), aiming to assist Indo-Pacific countries on energy, infrastructure, and women's economic empowerment.



# Taiwan Is the Best Candidate for a Bilateral Trade Agreement with the United States

- A Taiwan U.S. BTA will help support U.S. national interests in the Indo-Pacific Region
- A Taiwan U.S. BTA will help maintain confidence in Taiwan and its **economic** security and autonomy.
- Taiwan stands ready to sign a high-standard BTA with the U.S. This agreement will **create more business opportunities** for both sides.
- Through a bilateral scoping exercise and negotiations on the BTA, both sides will create a framework for reviewing bilateral trade relations and solving long-term difference over trade issues.
- A Taiwan-U.S. BTA will facilitate restructuring the high-tech supply chain, shielding the U.S. and its allies from China's interference in an emergency.

# Thank You for Your Attention

