

What Policy Space for Global Value Chains Programs in Latin America?

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Justification and plan of the talk

- 1. Why important
 - Less space for individual firms to design, produce, market <u>on</u> <u>their own</u>.
 - Less space for isolated policies
- 2. WHAT and HOW GVC Policies (do not question WHY)
 - Sometimes policies overlap with familiar policy questions on PSD, but GVCs require some different and complementary policy thinking.
- 3. Plan of the presentation
 - 1. Logic of GVC policies
 - 2. The 'receiving' context matters (innovation systems)
 - **3**. Typology to classify real projects
 - 4. Some examples from IDB



What are GVC programs?

What do we mean by GVC programs?

- Integrating into GVCs
- Capturing value within GVCs
- International policy discussion related to GVCs (trade and investment policies, international standards, exchanges rates, ...)

".... value chain development approaches have evolved over time and nowadays frequently need to be more complex interventions..." (Stamm and von Drachenfels, 2011)



Integrating into GVCs

Attraction

- Free international flows of goods, services, capital, knowledge, people, and policies related to them (business environment, framework, ...)
- Protectionism may hurt exports that in turn need crucial imports
- Investment barriers and FDI attraction (investment, trade, competition, tax, human resources, infrastructures, corporate and public governance, ...)

Ease GVC Functioning

- Reduction in trade barriers (NTB, standards, processing zones,..).
- Logistics and infrastructures (transport, ICT,...), but also soft infrastructures (facilitating policies and procedures)

Supply Local Capabilities to Interact with GVCs

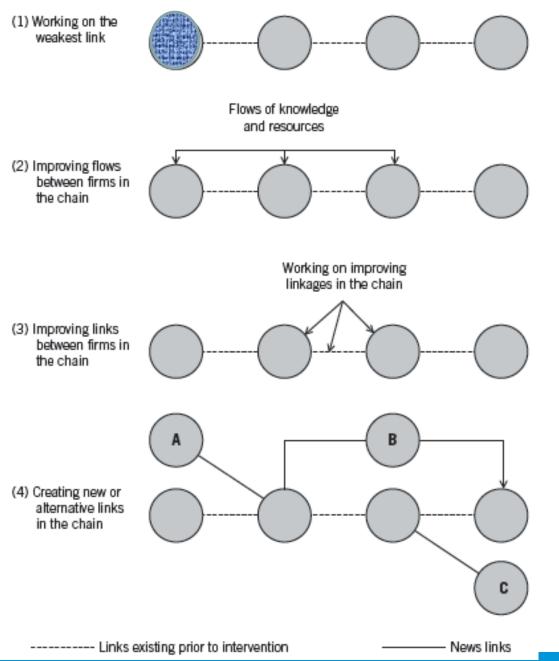
Supply capacity of domestic firms (business linkages, skills development, ...)



Capturing Value within GVCs

- Rents are generated and not equally distributed along the VC. For emerging countries challenge is to capture more value and economic benefits from their activities within GVCs
- The value captured by home countries reflects their capacity to attract innovation and development of intangible assets.
 - Policies to attract MNCs
 - Policies to help firms grow to more important positions within GVCs via innovation and internationalization policies
- <u>"Moving up (and moving down) the value chain</u>" to higher value activities.
- Risk of **lock up** in low value manufacturing activities (as GVC integration may occur without developing capabilities in design and logistics).
- **"Modularity trap"**: despite labor productivity increases, firms operate in low value niches and activities with little chance of upgrading.
- Upgrading requires better access to international markets and also better technological capabilities and intangible assets.





Typology of **Objectives for** Value Chain Interventions

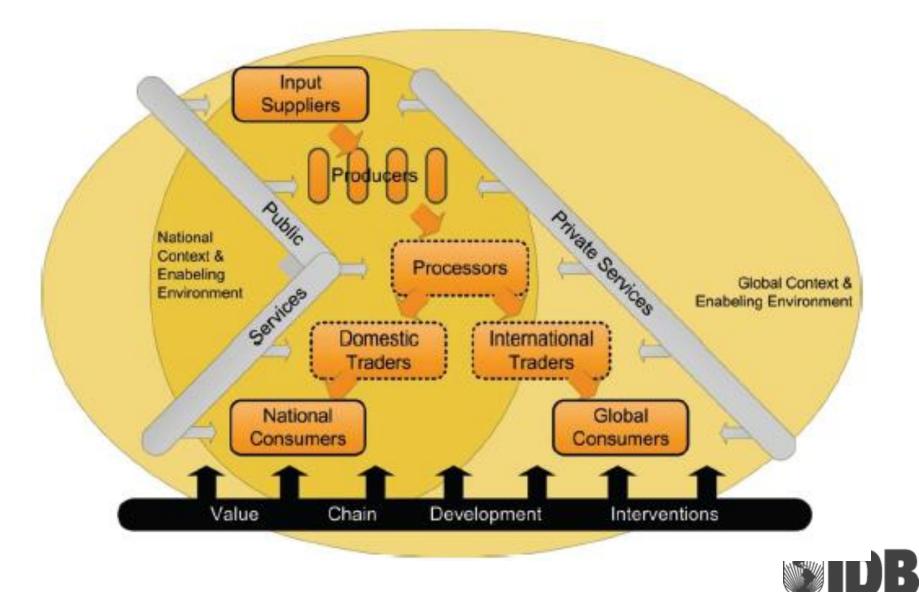
(Humphrey, Navas-Aleman, 2010)

- working with lead firms often regarded as most promising way for firms' upgrading in developing countries
- > access to strategic knowledge (technology and markets)
- horizontal linkages
- alternative links to reduce dependency and raise bargaining power



Systemic Approaches to Value Chain Development

(Hartwich and Kormawa, UNIDO 2009)

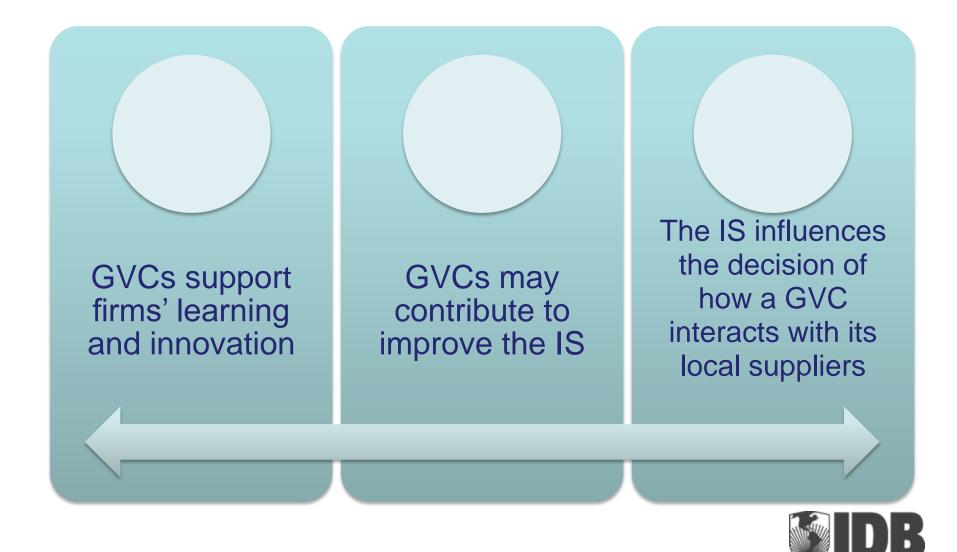


Innovation Systems and GVCs

- Global Value Chain framework:
 - Focus on the role of leading firms and inter-firm networks in firms upgrading;
 - <u>Limitation</u>: little attention to the understanding of the upgrading itself. How is knowledge accessed? How do firms in GVC learn and innovate?
- Innovation Systems framework:
 - Focus on how interactions among enterprises, institutions, research bodies and policy making agencies contribute to learning and innovation within firms;
 - <u>Limitation</u>: little attention to external linkages in the generation and diffusion of knowledge and innovation;
- IS and GVC: so far essentially two separate strands of literature: need to bridge this gap and explore the implications for policies and programs (Pietrobelli and Rabellotti, 2011)



GVCs and IS: an endogenous relationship



The role of learning within GVCs

- How do different learning mechanisms operate in different types of chains?
 - In which chains are lead firms promoting learning only through increased pressure ('competition effect)?
 - In which ones are lead firms supporting the innovation process through deliberate knowledge transfer and direct involvement in the learning and innovation process?
 - In which type of chains is learning resulting from unintended knowledge spillovers?
- How do different innovation systems affect the determinants of GVC governance and through this, the opportunity for enterprise learning and upgrading?



Learning mechanisms within GVCs need to be considered for policy purposes.

They vary according to the form of GVC governance

						IS IS
	Governance Type	Complexity of transactions	Codification of transactions	Competence of suppliers	Learning mechanisms within GVC	stronger here
	Market	Low	High	High	Knowledge spilloversImitation	
•	Modular	High	High	High	 Learning through pressure to accomplish international standards. Transfer of knowledge embodied in standards, contechnical definitions 	des,
	Relational	High	Low	High	 Mutual learning from face-to-face interactions 	
•	Captive	High	High	Low	 Learning via deliberate knowledge transfer from l firms confined to a narrow range of tasks – e.g. simple assembly. 	lead
	Hierarchy	High	Low	Low	 Imitation Turnover of skilled managers and workers Training by foreign leader/owner Knowledge spillovers 	

Role of

Source: adapted from Gereffi et al., 2005

Networks

The Typology of Value Chains:

Developing a functional framework from the literature and the field



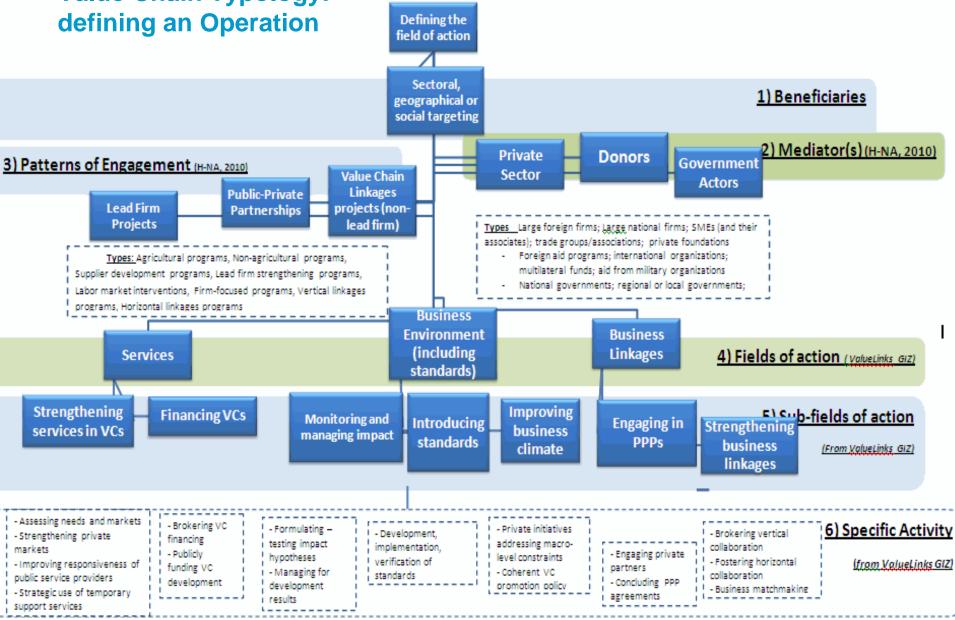


basic questions we need to answer at a conceptual level

Prod	uction –related Ob	jective	S (adapted fron	n Stam	m and Drachenfed,	2011)
Increase size and strength of VC • Link with previously unlinked firms • Increase-improve production	Export outside V (international, national, regiona markets)		Diversify productior	ו	• links spect	to other VCs ific firms of a VC to ther VCs se dependency
	Context	ual co	nsideratio	ns		
Vertical and horizontal linkages	Environmental and social impacts		ural and l aspects	B	arriers to success	Innovation System
VC Objectives (adapted from H-NA)						
Weak links	Improving flows	links	gthening between irms	а	New or Iternative links	Strengthening strongest link (lead firm)



Value Chain Typology: defining an Operation



- 132 IDB value chain (in a broad sense) operations since 2000,

- 15 main thematic areas
- \$813 million in IDB financing

Costs by funding type	# of projects	ID	B financing	total cost	
L	14	\$	723,600,000	\$ 926,160,000	Loan
Μ	71	\$	73,367,776	\$ 136,744,165	MIF (TA)
S	10	\$	8,650,000	\$ 18,688,550	Small and SEP projects
Т	21	\$	6,576,963	\$ 8,109,363	Technical Cooperation
Х	5	\$	879,336	\$ 879,336	Special operations
		\$	813,074,075	\$ 1,090,581,414	TOTALS

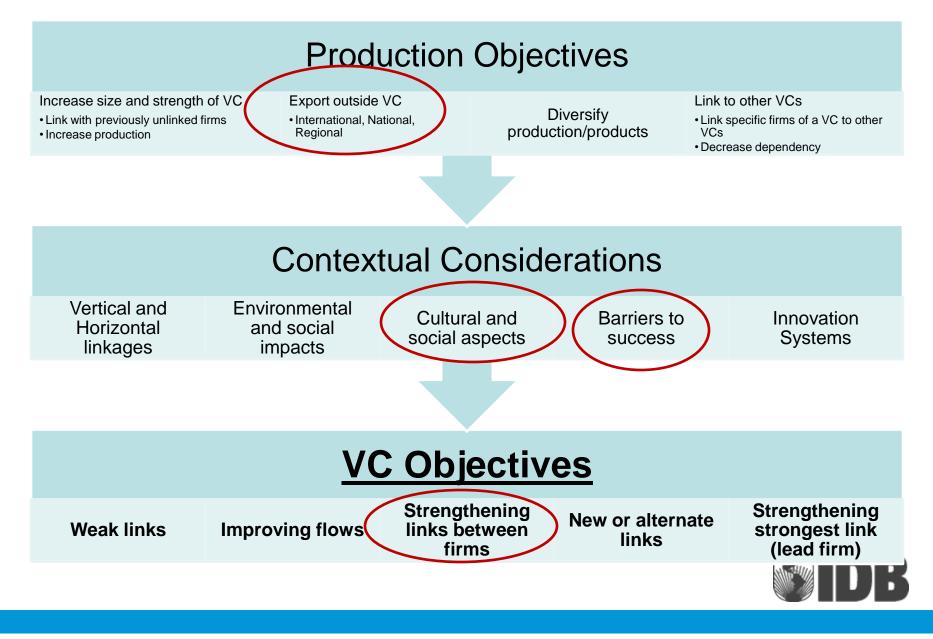


- <u>BO-M1016 Corporate Social Responsibility in the Coffee Production Chain</u>
 - \$143,000 USD, Zone of the Yungas of the department of La Paz
 - Improve the competitiveness of the coffee value chains in 4 municipalities by commercializing \$2 million USD of trade in the European market and improving and increasing administrative capacities

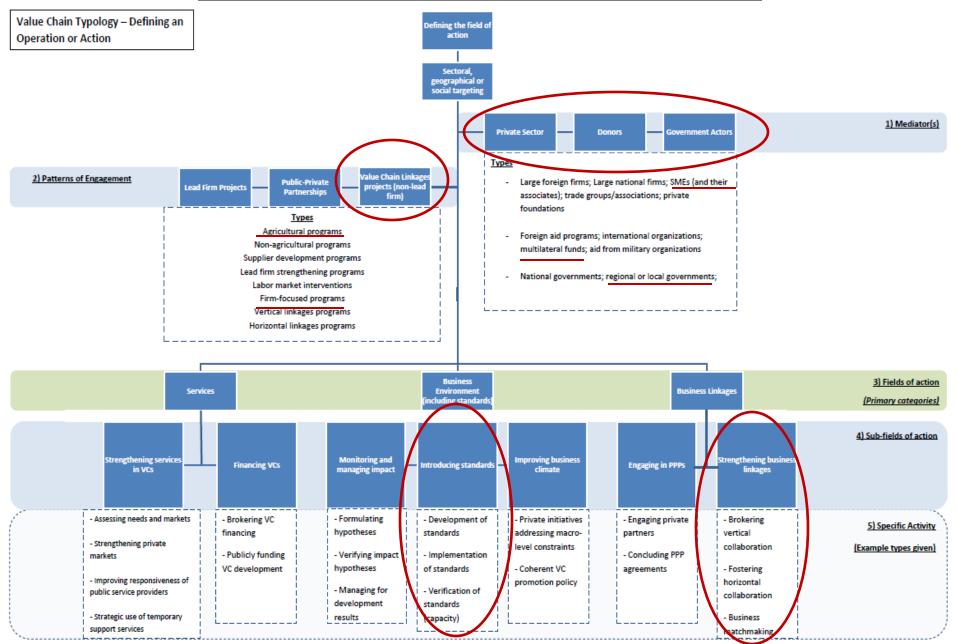
Framework	Goal/Objective (what)	Specifically (how)
Production Objective(s)	Export outside VC	Increase revenue by 20% in 9 OECAs; \$2 million in trade to European markets; 7 or 9 OECAs exporting and 2 selling in national market; trade mission to Europe
Contextual Consideration(s)	Barriers to success	Climatic problems that affect production; competition with Coca production
VC Objective(s)	Strengthening links between firms	SEE BELOW
Beneficiary(ies)	Coffee Producers in Bolivia	9 OECAs in the Yungas Zone
Mediator(s)	Private Sector, Donors, Public Sector	MIF, local governments of Yungas Zone
Pattern(s) of Engagement	Value Chain linkages (non-lead firm)	Agricultural; firm-focused
Field(s) of Action	Business Environment (standards); Business linkages	 Developing brands for producers; Procurement of legal documentation;
Subfield	Introducing Standards; Strengthening business linkages	 Development of 3 telecenters for information seekers; Trained 4 members of each OECA to run the telecenters



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<u>EC-L1078 Industrias Lacteas Toni S.A.</u>

 \$8 million USD, Ecuador, Improve quality and productivity of 300 small dairy producers and strengthen the distribution channel for Toni products

Framework	Goal/Objective (what)	Specifically (how)
Production Objective(s)	Increase size and strength of VC	Increase production;
Contextual Consideration(s)	Barriers to success; Vertical and horizontal linkages	Equipment/systems; processes; standards
VC Objective(s)	Strengthening strongest link; strengthening weak links	SEE BELOW
Beneficiary(ies)	Dairy Value Chain in Ecuador	Toni S.A. – dairy company, Tiendas del Barrio, Ecuador
Mediator(s)	Donor	International organization - IDB
Pattern(s) of Engagement	Lead Firm Project	Agricultural program; supplier development program; vertical linkage program
Field(s) of Action	Services; Business Environment	 Improve quality and productivity of 300 dairy producer suppliers to lead firm;
Subfield	Financing VCs; Improving business climate; Introducing standards (set & compliance)	 Investments in pasteurization processes and irrigation systems (\$4.8 m USD); Strengthen distribution channel for lead firm; Investments in physical improvements and managerial capacity for 80,000 small firms (\$3.2 m USD)



BR-M1039 Sustainable Development of Wood & Furniture Supply Chain in the Amazon Region

- \$2.1 million USD, States of Para and Amazonas, Brazil
- Strengthen public-private collaboration to generate conditions that promote competitiveness and sustainable business development, identify and disseminate technological solutions to small enterprises

Framework	Goal/Objective (what)	Specifically (how)
Production Objective(s)	Increase size and strength of VC	Improve efficiency; increase production
Contextual Consideration(s)	Environmental and social impacts; cultural and social impacts	Issues related to preservation of Amazon region; limiting commercial production
VC Objective(s)	<u>Weak links;</u> Strengthening links between firms	SEE BELOW
Beneficiary(ies)	Wood/furniture producers in Amazon	SMEs in Amazonas and Para, Brazil
Mediator(s)	Donors; Government Actors	MIF; States of Amazonas and Para, Brazil
Pattern(s) of Engagement	Public-Private Partnership	Non-agricultural; <u>firm focused;</u> horizontal linkages
Field(s) of Action	Services; Business linkages; Business Environment	 Market analysis - ID available technical and economic resources
Subfield	Strengthening services in VCs; strengthening business linkages; Monitoring and managing impact	 Technological services – specialized wood centers; coordination initiative among firms Public-private initiatives – developing quality standards, certification & control systems, and technical capacities Human resources – forming local trade associations; training curriculums Development and conduct of a M&E system for production;

RG-T1670 – Financial Inclusion for productivity and access to markets in Valle de Canete, Peru

 reduce the economic, productive and social vulnerabilities through production chain development with provision of technical assistance and credit (*Caja Rural*)

Framework	Goal/Objective (what)	Specifically (how)
Production Objective(s)	Strengthen VC diversify production	Integrate producers with an international chain; decrease vulnerability
Contextual Consideration	Vertical and horizontal linkages	Credit Technical assistance
VC Objective(s)	New or alternative links	SEE BELOW
Beneficiary(ies)	Valle de Canete, Peru	50 asparagus producers in the Valle de Canete, Peru
Mediator(s)	Donors;	IDB (through MAP)
Pattern(s) of Engagement	Lead firm with linkages	Agricultural program; firm-focused;
Field(s) of Action	Business environment (including standards); Services	 Develop production capacities according to international standards (TA) Promote commercial relations between small producers and large firms
Subfield	Introducing <u>standards;</u> Financing <u>VCs</u>	 Promote access to the financial system Amplify production horizons for small businesses through credit



Kosovo Private Enterprise Program (all encompassing PSD program)

- **USAID 2008-2012,** Tourism, recycling, fabricated metals and auto parts, decorative stone, non-wood forest products, and agriculture value chains
- Aims to stimulate the private sector development of Kosovo's economy by increasing exports, improving the competitive positioning of Kosovo's products in domestic markets, attracting more FDI

Framework	Goal/Objective (what)	Specifically (how)
Production Objective(s)	ALL – increase size and strength of VC; export outside VC; diversify production/products; link to other VCs	Increase exports; improve internal market position; attract FDI
Contextual Consideration(s)	Barriers to success; vertical and horizontal linkages	Instability in macroeconomic and business contexts
VC Objective(s)	Weak links; improving flows; strengthening links between firms; new or alternate links	SEE BELOW
Beneficiary(ies)	Kosovo	
Mediator(s)	Donor; Government Actor	USAID; Government of Kosovo
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Pattern(s) of Engagement	Public-Private Partnerships; Value Chain Linkages	Agricultural; Non-agricultural; firm-focused; vertical & horizontal linkages
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Conclusions

- There is some policy space, but
- Need of a clearer, focused, strategic approach
- Need to standardize measures, language, tools
- Challenges: GVC policies complex given variety of actors involved, differing access to input factors and information, of regulatory contexts, ...
- Context matters both for integrating into GVCs and for capturing value, notably the systems conducive to innovation and learning





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