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Brexit後の世界経済



パネルディスカッション Panel Discussion

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Deep global integration and reaction of immobile voters

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UK for Japanese economy

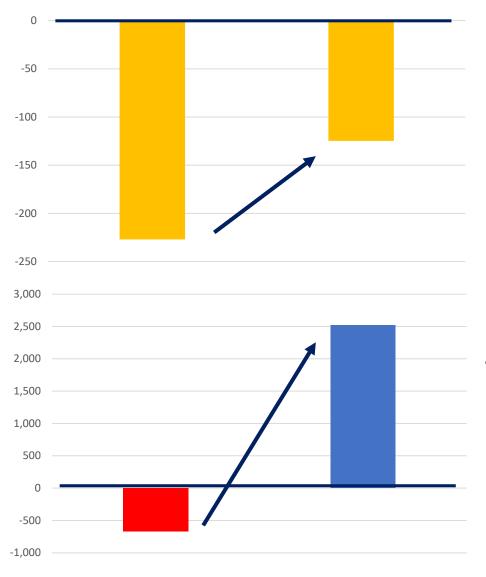


*Japanese MNEs in UK & Mexico hit by Brexit & Trump

*Digital trade

(41% express concern according to JETRO Brexit survey)

Need to grasp intangible



U.S. deficit into nearly half

Japan turns from deficit into surplus

Balance of Payment (billion in Q3 (Seasonally adjusted, U.S), Q4(Q.E. Japan), 2018)

Who voted for Brexit and Trump?

- Education (more than a proxy for skill)
- Age
- Region: "China syndrome," Immigration
- Japan is NOT different.
 - Debates over TPP, foreign workers, fiscal, ...
- A survey of 10,000 individuals by RIETI (a miniature Japan)

Trade policy preferences in Japan

• Industry, occupation, age, gender, & education

Regional factors (% of agriculture)

Ito, Mukunoki, Tomiura, Wakasugi (2019) JJIE

Status-quo bias & Risk aversion

Tomiura, Ito, Mukunoki, Wakasugi (2016) RIE

Status-quo bias also in attitudes toward foreign workers

Tomiura, Ito, Mukunoki, Wakasugi (2017) RIETI-DP

Learning from Deep Impact of Brexit

- Economies deeply integrated not just by trade in goods, but service, FDI, IPR, migration, & digital trade.
 - → often behind-border & intangible
- Governments required to conclude deep agreements.

- Immobile voters influenced by behavioral bias.
 - → Design of choice set critical in the short run. Education important in the long run.
 - What should we do in the middle?