2017 Global Innovation 1000

Will Stronger Borders Weaken Innovation?
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Innovation 1000 update
For the 13th year, Strategy& studied innovation trends and spending at the world’s 1000 largest publicly listed corporate R&D spenders

2005: Money isn’t everything
2006: Smart spenders
2007: The customer connection
2008: Beyond borders
2009: Profits down, spending steady
2010: How top innovators keep winning
2011: Why culture is key

2012: Making ideas work
2013: Navigating the digital future
2014: Proven paths to innovation success
2015: Innovation’s new world order
2016: Software as a catalyst
2017: Will Stronger Borders Weaken Innovation?
The study has become a recognized contributor in better understanding what drives success in R&D and innovation

- The Global Innovation 1000 study has received significant media and academic attention:
  - Called “the most comprehensive assessment of the relationship between R&D investment and corporate performance” by the The Economist in 2009
  - Given “2006 Special Achievement Award for Advancing Innovation” by Innovate Forum
  - Awarded Best of Visions award from PDMA in 2009
  - In 2011 and 2014, awarded Silver and Gold, respectively, for original research by the American Society of Business Press Editors (“the Azbee”)
  - Cited in more than 180 publications in 27 countries
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Executive Summary – Will Stronger Borders Weaken Innovation?

- Companies are concerned about the effects of economic nationalism and some are already seeing the effects on their businesses
- The US, China, and the UK are viewed as having the greatest movement to economic nationalism and are the same countries whose R&D programs are most at risk. Canada, Germany, and France will most likely gain from broad economic nationalism in R&D
  - US’s talent flow is most at risk for disruption if policy in granting student and work visas becomes restrictive. Immigrants in the US hold a large share of jobs in the high-tech, science and engineering sectors as well as making up a large share of enrollment in engineering programs
  - UK’s talent flow is also at risk in the same way the US’s is. Weaker R&D programs in the UK could also have a ripple effect across the region
  - China’s corporate R&D spending had experienced double-digit growth rates for many years, but in 2017 the country saw a 3.3% decline in corporate R&D spending for the first time. 81% of China’s R&D spend in 2015 was performed by companies headquartered in other countries. The combination of these trends for China makes the country vulnerable to potential disruptions of R&D investment coming from abroad
- A little over one half of companies expect a moderate to significant impact to their R&D and innovation efforts and almost half of the companies in North America and the rest of the world plan to make changes to their R&D programs over the next two years
- High performers are more likely to anticipate changes, and they are also more likely to take action. Middling and under performers were the most doubtful that economic nationalism would require changes in their R&D efforts. Interestingly, under performers were most likely to take action that could be harmful to their overall R&D efforts
- Economic nationalism would result in the replacement of today’s integrated and interdependent network with more self-sufficient, fully-functioning R&D nodes. Companies will need to look for ways to manage the higher costs they will incur with this model.
Executive Summary – Update on Top 1000 companies

- In 2017 total R&D spending by the Global Innovation 1000 increased 3.2% to $701.6B, exceeding $700B for the first time.
- R&D intensity spiked to its all-time study high of 4.5%, with revenue for the 1000 companies falling by 2.5% - driven by the 14.5% decline in Chemicals & Energy revenue.
- Software and internet industry continues to experience high year-over-year growth, up 16.1% this year while Healthcare, the second fastest growth industry for R&D spending grew 5.9%.
- Healthcare companies are on track to become the biggest R&D spenders by 2018.
- Computing and electronics, Healthcare, and Auto contributed 61.3% of R&D spending in 2017, almost the same as in 2016.
- Regionally, Japanese firms grew R&D spend for the first time in 5 years, US continued its upward growth and China, who enjoyed years of double-digit R&D growth, saw a 3.3% decline in R&D spending for the first time in the study.*
- Amazon moved from number 3 in 2016 to become the largest R&D spender in 2017. It is one of nine high-tech companies on the top 20 list, and one of 13 companies headquartered in the United States.
- For the first time, Alphabet surpassed Apple as the Most Innovative company and Alibaba joins the ranking for the first time.
- Companies selected by survey respondents as the most innovative companies continue to outperform the top 20 R&D spenders.

*Use of local currency would result in different YoY changes
Companies viewed the US, China, and the UK as having the greatest movement towards economic nationalism-related policies that will affect R&D.

Countries with greatest expectation of movement towards economic nationalism-related policies that would affect R&D activities:

- United States: 63%
- China: 44%
- United Kingdom: 34%
- India: 15%
- Germany: 10%
- Russia: 8%
- France: 8%
- Canada: 5%
- Brazil: 4%
- Turkey: 4%

Q21. Which three countries do you expect to have the greatest movement toward more economic nationalism–related policies that would affect corporate R&D activities?
N=562, N= total number of survey respondents
*China includes Hong Kong for all China data points
The US, UK, and China are most at risk while Canada, Germany, and France will most likely gain from broad economic nationalism in R&D

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Bar width = total corporate R&D imported into country $US billions

Bar height = country’s net risk/gain if economic nationalism affects R&D efforts

Q22. Which three countries do you believe will be the most put at economic risk if more economic nationalism-related policies affecting R&D efforts are widely adopted?
Q22a Which three countries do you believe will be the most helped economically if more economic nationalism-related policies affecting R&D efforts are widely adopted?

N=562

Source: 2017 and 2015 Global Innovation 1000 study
US, UK, and China are most at risk while Canada, Germany, and France will most likely gain (...continued)

**Top 3 countries to gain**

- **Canada**
  - Canada is looking to attract international innovation talent to its university system as the US tightens visa and immigration programs
  - Is an attractive alternative for multinationals like Microsoft who opened a new R&D center in downtown Vancouver in 2016 with 750 R&D positions

- **Germany**
  - Germany has repeatedly reiterated its pro-globalization policy stance
  - The country was ranked as the second country that is most likely to gain from a move towards economic nationalism by survey respondents

- **France**
  - Newly elected president Emmanuel Macron ran on a platform stressing the importance of innovation for the French economy
  - France was ranked as the third country mostly likely to gain from broad economic nationalism by survey respondents

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**United States**

- The US’s talent flow will be disrupted if there is a move towards restrictive policy in granting student and work visas
- Immigrants in the US hold a large share of jobs in the high-tech, science, and engineering sectors
- Enrollment in US engineering programs are predominantly made up of immigrants (81% electronic engineering and 79% computer science)*

**United Kingdom**

- Like the US, the UK’s flows in talent is also vulnerable if there are barriers to recruiting engineers from other EU countries
- Britain is already experiencing an existing shortage of skilled workers
- Weaker R&D programs in the UK could have a ripple effect across the region

**China**

- Corporate R&D spending in China experienced double digit growth rates for many years, but in 2017 the country saw a 3.3% decline in R&D spending for the first time in the study
- 80% of R&D spending in China in 2015 was done by companies headquartered in other countries (mainly from the US)
- These trends for China makes the country vulnerable to potential disruptions of R&D investment coming from abroad

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Source: 2017 Global Innovation 1000 study, National Foundation for American Policy
Executives may not be considering R&D flows in assessing who is most at risk from economic nationalism-related policies

Economic nationalism-related policy risk score vs. corporate R&D import ratio

Corporate R&D imported as a % of all corporate R&D performed in country (2015)

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Which three countries do you believe will be the most put at economic risk if more economic nationalism-related policies affecting R&D efforts are widely adopted? (2017) ¹)

¹) N=562

Source: 2015 and 2017 Global Innovation 1000 Studies
North America and the rest of the world companies believe their companies will make changes to R&D over the next two years

When companies are likely to change its R&D efforts if there is a move towards economic nationalism

Q18. What changes would your company likely consider making to its R&D/innovation efforts if there is a move toward greater economic nationalism? And when? N=379 (China region and Respondents with "No opinion" are not included)
Note: Due to rounding, not all columns will add up to 100%
One-fourth of companies have already experienced some pressure to change how or where they conduct innovation

Q17. Has your company experienced pressure to change any element of its approach to innovation/R&D work as a result of economic nationalism in Your company’s headquarters: and Any other country?
N=562
Japanese and North American companies are experiencing hiring challenges as a result of economic nationalism...

Effects of economic nationalism on visas/work initiatives on R&D employees (by region)

- **Europe**: 76%
  - Yes: 4%
  - Yes, less talent is available as a result of visa restrictions: 13%
  - Yes, we are hiring more local talent: 7%
  - No: 76%

- **Japan**: 66%
  - Yes: 3%
  - Yes, less talent is available as a result of visa restrictions: 25%
  - Yes, we are hiring more local talent: 7%
  - No: 66%

- **North America**: 66%
  - Yes: 5%
  - Yes, less talent is available as a result of visa restrictions: 20%
  - Yes, we are hiring more local talent: 8%
  - No: 66%

- **ROW**: 63%
  - Yes: 10%
  - Yes, less talent is available as a result of visa restrictions: 17%
  - Yes, we are hiring more local talent: 10%
  - No: 63%

Q20. As a consequence of economic nationalism, has your company experienced any new or greater visa restrictions or work limitations on R&D employees? 
N=557 (China region is not considered)
Uncertainty in economic policy could be the reason companies’ high alignment between innovation strategy and business strategy dipped this year


Q10. How closely aligned is your company’s innovation strategy (or approach to innovation) with its overall business strategy?
N=562
**High performers are more likely to anticipate changes, and they are also more likely to take action while middling and low performers are more doubtful of changes**

Likelihood of making a change in R&D/Innovation efforts if there is a move towards greater economic nationalism by perception of revenue growth

- **Open future R&D center locations in regional markets**
  - High performers: 41%
  - Middling performers: 39%
  - Low performers: 25%

- **Hire specialized technical talent in local regional markets**
  - High performers: 36%
  - Middling performers: 36%
  - Low performers: 34%

- **Move to a more autonomous regional divisional model**
  - High performers: 18%
  - Middling performers: 14%
  - Low performers: 12%

- **Move R&D locations away from current manufacturing / production centers**
  - High performers: 11%
  - Middling performers: 9%
  - Low performers: 15%

- **Reduce staff and replace with automation**
  - High performers: 18%
  - Middling performers: 15%
  - Low performers: 25%

I do not believe there will be any changes as a result of economic nationalism

Q18. What changes would your company likely consider making to its R&D/innovation efforts if there is a move toward greater economic nationalism? And when?

Q11. How do you believe your company is performing relative to its key competitors?

N=562
As a result of economic nationalism, companies are going to be more digitally collaborative and protective of proprietary intelligence.
Economic nationalism would result in the replacement of today’s integrated and interdependent network with more self-sufficient R&D nodes

- The global innovation model involves the free flow of information, money, and talent across borders
- Today’s global innovation model would need to evolve if there is a move towards economic nationalism
- In the 2015 Global Innovation 1000 study, we found that more and more companies look for talent outside their headquarters country and set up R&D centers close to their target markets
- The distributed elements of the global innovation model are connected by a strong central R&D organization while maintaining fluidity throughout the network

- It is likely that today’s global innovation model would be replaced with self-sufficient R&D nodes
- Companies will need to look for ways to manage the higher costs that will incur with this model
- Business leaders will need to consider these items in their contingency plans:
  - Potential realignment of business and innovation strategies and how a more autonomous and redundant R&D network would operate
  - How to staff and resource R&D centers
  - How to prepare R&D centers to be more self-sufficient
  - Consider whether or not there is access to the digital tools that are needed to maintain communication and efficiency
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In 2017, R&D spending of the Top 1000 companies exceeded $700B for the first time

Global Innovation 1000 R&D Spending

Source: Bloomberg data, Capital IQ data, 2017 Global Innovation 1000 Study
Total revenue for the Innovation 1000 fell by 2.5% from 2016 to 2017

Global Innovation 1000 Revenue

12–year CAGR = 4.3%

Source: Bloomberg data, Capital IQ data, 2017 Global Innovation 1000 Study
This was primarily due to falling revenue from the Chemicals & Energy industry.

Revenue by Industry

Source: Bloomberg data, Capital IQ data, 2017 Global Innovation 1000 Study
**R&D intensity sees year-over-year growth of 6%, reaching an all-time study high of 4.5%**

**Global Innovation 1000 R&D Intensity**
2005–2017

Source: Bloomberg data, Capital IQ data, 2017 Global Innovation 1000 Study
Software & Internet continues to experience significant year-over-year growth

Change in R&D Spending by Industry
2016–2017

Source: Bloomberg data, Capital IQ data, 2017 Global Innovation 1000 Study
By 2018, Healthcare will surpass Computing & Electronics to become the top industry

R&D Spending by Industry, estimates
$US, Billion

* CAGR Value is calculated for last 5 years span from 2012 to 2017

Source: Bloomberg data, Capital IQ data, 2017 Global Innovation 1000 Study
Computing & Electronics, Healthcare, and Auto contributed 61.3% of R&D spending in 2017, almost the same as in 2016

2017 R&D Spending by Industry
Total = $701.6 Bn

- Computing and Electronics: 23.1%
- Healthcare: 22.7%
- Auto: 15.5%
- Software and Internet: 14.5%
- Industrials: 10.2%
- Chemicals and Energy: 5.0%
- Aerospace and Defense: 3.2%
- Consumer: 2.9%
- Telecom: 1.6%
- Other: 1.6%

Source: Bloomberg data, Capital IQ data, 2017 Global Innovation 1000 Study
Japan sees real growth for the first time while China sees a decline in spending for the first time and North America continues to grow

R&D Spending by Region

Notes: 1) Whenever China is called out in region data it always includes Hong Kong 2) *Use of local currency would result in different YoY changes
Source: Bloomberg data, Capital IQ data, 2017 Global Innovation 1000 Study
Europe and Japan increased the number of companies in the Top 1000 – for Japan, this is the first time in five years while China saw a decrease in number of companies for the first time

Number of Companies in the Top 1000 by Region
2005–2017

Source: Bloomberg data, Capital IQ data, 2017 Global Innovation 1000 Study
This is the first time the top spender is a high tech firm; Honda and Facebook join the Top 20 Spender ranking

### Top 20 R&D Spenders

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**Total** | **194.5** | **2217.0** | **8.8%**

Companies in **red** have been among the top 20 R&D spenders every year since 2005
Source: Bloomberg data, Capital IQ data, 2017 Global Innovation 1000 study
For the first time, Alphabet surpasses Apple as the Most Innovative Company; Alibaba joins the ranking

10 Most Innovative Companies

Source: Strategy& 2017 Global Innovation 1000 analysis
Q23. In your opinion, what are the three most innovative companies in the world? Please choose from the drop-down menu or choose “Other” to write in your recommendation. N=562
*In 2015, Google announced a corporate restructuring forming an umbrella company called Alphabet
Once again, the 10 Most Innovative Companies outperform the Top 10 R&D Spenders on financial metrics

### 10 Most Innovative Companies vs. Top 10 R&D Spenders*

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Source: Bloomberg data, Capital IQ data, 2017 Global Innovation 1000 Study

* Facebook and Alibaba do not have market cap data spanning back 5 years
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