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# A Sectoral Approach

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# ABSTRACT

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The present Master dissertation is a pioneer study whose main objective is to identify the determinants of foreign direct investment (FDI) in Portugal, in nine main economic activities. In order to assess that, two models were constructed using the OLS estimator with time series data from 1980 to 2009 for the Portuguese economy.

The results suggest that FDI in the primary sector (namely, in mining activities) exhibit little dependence on economic conditions, as well as FDI towards the utilities sector, which demonstrated to be only influenced by the GDP per capita. By contrast, investments in the secondary sector showed to be largely determined by the macroeconomic environment, mainly to changes in the degree of openness to trade, exchange rate and minimum wage. Furthermore, this was the only industry that confirmed the importance of the existent clusters for the attraction of FDI.

The results also indicate that, for all tertiary industries, the wealth of the country is one of the most important variables, which suggests that FDI towards these activities aims to supply the domestic market. Still for some tertiary industries, it was shown evidence for the relevance of the corporate tax rate, labor market flexibility, openness to trade and exchange rate.

Using the conclusions obtained from the model, it is possible to elaborate a set of more cost-effective policies aimed to improve the attractiveness of the country for foreign multinational enterprises and, consequently, take advantage of the externalities created by the bigger flows of FDI.

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A presente dissertação de Mestrado é um estudo pioneiro que tem como objectivo a identificação, em nove actividades económicas, dos determinantes de investimento directo estrangeiro (IDE) em Portugal. Para o efeito, foram estimados dois modelos a partir do método dos mínimos quadrados ordinários, que usam séries temporais de 1980 a 2009 para a economia portuguesa.

Os resultados sugerem que o investimento estrangeiro no sector primário (nomeadamente nas indústrias extractivas) é pouco dependente das condições económicas, assim como o IDE direccionado para o sector das *utilities*, que demonstrou ser apenas influenciado pelo PIB per capita. Os investimentos no sector secundário evidenciaram ser bastante sensíveis ao ambiente económico, sobretudo a variações no nível de abertura comercial, na taxa de câmbio e no salário mínimo. Este foi o único sector em que ficou comprovado a importância da existência de *clusters* para a atracção de IDE.

Os resultados indicam também que, para a generalidade do sector terciário, a riqueza do país destaca-se como uma das variáveis mais importantes, o que sugere que o IDE nestas actividades visa explorar o mercado interno. Ainda para algumas indústrias terciárias, foi demonstrada a relevância do imposto sobre os rendimentos das empresas, da flexibilidade laboral, da abertura comercial e da taxa de câmbio.

Com os resultados obtidos deste estudo, é possível elaborar um conjunto de políticas mais eficientes, de forma a melhorar a atractividade do país para as empresas multinacionais estrangeiras e, consequentemente, tirar partido das externalidades geradas pelos maiores fluxos de IDE.

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# **1. INTRODUCTION**

Foreign direct investment (FDI) has experienced a dramatic rise over the last decades in most countries of the world. According to UNCTAD (2001), the annual growth rate of FDI was, on average, more than 20% in 94 developing and industrialized countries for the period 1986-2000. This expansion is strongly associated with the globalization and liberalization processes, the increased economic integration worldwide and the reductions of barriers to trade and to cross-border investment. Accompanying this global trend, the Portuguese economy has also received massive flows of foreign direct investment (FDI) during the last three decades. Surely, this foreign capital was crucial to foster the dynamism of the local economy, mainly through the creation of jobs and the transfer of technology and know-how.

Inevitably, this enormous increment in international movements of capital was accompanied by an increasing interest of academics to assess the motivations that lead foreign multinational enterprises to invest in a specific place. Using these studies, policy makers are able to identify the factors that are responsible for the increase in inward FDI and consequently, they are able to manipulate these variables in order to attract more FDI to their own country. However, for economic purposes, FDI should not all be treated in the same way since after the classical Hirchman (1958), numerous recent studies (Alfaro, 2003; Alfaro & Charlton, 2007; Wang, 2009) have demonstrated that the externalities to the real economy differ greatly with the type of industry whose investment is directed to. Therefore, the extent of these externalities must be considered when balancing the cost of incentives provided to foreign investors with the expected benefits from that investment.

The purpose of this paper is to identify the determinants of FDI in Portugal at an industry level, during the period 1980-2009. It was impossible to find any previous study about this subject for the Portuguese economy. In addition to this, it was not possible to find any econometric study for any country or region that assesses the determinants of FDI at a more detailed level than just the distinction between the primary/secondary/tertiary sector. In this paper it is analyzed the determinants of FDI in nine economic activities that cover the three sectors of the economy. With the information obtained, it would be possible to find a better

alignment between the targets for FDI inflows in each industry with the policies created to attain this objective.

The paper is organized as follows: Section 2 reviews previous studies relative to the determinants of FDI; Section 3 explains the econometric model and presents the results; Section 4 uses the results of the previous section to describe the policy implications of the model; Section 5 concludes, describes the main limitations of this paper and presents suggestions for future research on this subject.

### **2. LITERATURE REVIEW**

#### 2.1. The host country determinants of FDI

There is a wide range of literature examining the host country's determinants of FDI. Early work has distinguished two different types of cross-border investment, based on the key motives for the firm to engage in multinational activities: "horizontal" and "vertical" FDI. The first occurs when a firm aims to serve a foreign market whose trade or transport costs are significantly high and/or there are economies of scale at the firm level. By contrast, vertical FDI theory assumes that countries have different factors' costs and, therefore, a multinational firm seeking to minimize costs will locate each production stage in the market where the input prices are the lowest. This distinction plays an important role when one tries to examine the extent to which a certain factor affects inward investment.

Some variables are considered in most studies as key factors for the attraction of foreign investment. The next part analyses these factors.

#### 2.1.1. Taxes

It is intuitive that, in an open international capital market, tax increases in one location will repel FDI to other location. Several empirical studies have analyzed the sensitivity of FDI in relation to taxation, despite the difficulties that arise when one tries to estimate tax elasticity of FDI. In particular, the complexity of the tax system in the home and host countries and the imperfect data collection, of both capital flows and tax rates, distort the estimates obtained.

De Mooij and Ederveen (2005) collected 31 empirical studies that examined the relationship between taxation and FDI activity and transformed the 427 tax elasticity contained in the papers into uniformed semi elasticity. The authors found that the average semi-elasticity value was -3.72. However, this number hides a wide range of estimates, due to the high heterogeneity of data, methodologies and specifications used in the different papers. A sectoral analysis was done by Stöwhase (2005)<sup>1</sup> that demonstrates that tax rates have no impact on FDI in the primary sector, reflecting that investment in this kind of activities is mainly resource driven. However, the same does not hold for the manufacturing and service sectors, where tax rate differentials have a significantly deterrent effect on FDI.

#### **2.1.2.** Political Stability

Literature results regarding the effect of political stability on foreign capital flows are somewhat mixed. According to Lucas (1990), "the Law of Diminishing Returns implies that the marginal product of capital is higher in the less productive (i.e., in the poorer) economy. If so, then if trade in capital good is free and competitive, new investment will occur only in the poorer economy, and this will continue to be true until capital-labor ratios, and hence wages and capital returns, are equalized". However, looking at the distribution of cross-border investment flows at the worldwide level, developing and transition economies absorbed only half of global FDI inflows (UNCTAD, 2010). Lucas, being aware that this implication of the theory is generally not supported by empirical data, adds in the paper that only political risks constitute an important limitation to capital flows.

Kim (2010) did an empirical study whose results were aligned with the Lucas' argument: after controlling for other macroeconomic variables, politically stable countries generate large investment flows to countries with low levels of political stability. Bellak et al. (2008) find that countries more abundant in capital receive less FDI, which also reflects the Law of Diminishing Returns.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> He considered FDI outflows from Germany, the United Kingdom and the Netherlands into several European countries, between 1995 and 1999.

#### 2.1.3. Macroeconomic Stability

Macroeconomic uncertainty implies higher costs for the companies, since they need to incur in extra expenditures to ensure protection against risks and to establish and enforce contracts. Due to the difficulty of finding an appropriate measure of macroeconomic stability, most empirical studies have used the inflation rate as a proxy of that, since there is a strong and positive correlation between inflation rate and economic instability. As a matter of fact, high inflation periods in developing countries were coincident with low FDI inflows and vice-versa (Sayek, 2009). However, Walsh and Yu (2010) did not find a significant impact of inflation on the attraction of FDI flows in any economic sector (at least once the real effective exchange rate is controlled for), perhaps due to the fact that the countries covered in the sample are relatively stable.

#### 2.1.4. Labor market flexibility

Tight job protection acts as an entry barrier for multinational enterprises, since it hinders firms in the effort of adjustment to market conditions. Görg (2005) and Javorcik and Spatareanu (2005) have proved, using data from different developed countries, that tight job protection policies has an adverse influence on inwards investment. Nevertheless, the two studies differ on the results obtained in relation to the importance of labor market flexibility in the manufacturing and service sector. While the latter paper showed that labor flexibility matters more for the service sector than for investments in manufacturing, Görg (2005) found that exit costs are more relevant for investment decisions in the secondary sector. Despite the repelling effect that employment protection exerts on inward FDI, Dewit et al. (2009) highlighted that the lack of labor flexibility also prevents existing firms to move production to other countries. In this way, rigidities in the job market reduce outward foreign investment.

#### 2.1.5. Labor cost and quality

Part of cross-border investments are motivated by the pursuit of lower labor costs, especially in labor intensive industries that do not need highly educated employees. For other types of investment, firms seek for an educated labor force rather than cheap labor.

Therefore, empirical evidence about the effect of labor costs and education level on the attractiveness of FDI is not consensual. For instance, Rodríguez & Pallas (2008) find evidence of the importance of human capital in Spain, while Walsh and Yu (2010) show that human capital has little influence on FDI flows. Regarding labor costs, Bellak et at. (2008) find that a 1% increase in unit labor costs decreases FDI by 0.6%, *ceteris paribus*, in a set of ten European countries.

#### 2.1.6. Clusters

Clusters may be defined as "a geographical proximate group of companies and associated institutions in a particular field, linked by commonalities and complementarities"<sup>2</sup>. Clusters are extremely important because they foster the diffusion of information and knowledge, create economies of scale and form a network of customers and suppliers. Therefore, the existence of a cluster enhances the comparative advantage of a certain sector, which in turn will attract more foreign investment to that industry (Qiu, 2003). Several studies (e.g. Bellak et al., 2008; Bensebaa, 2005) have found that new FDI is attracted to be located close of existing FDI, because in this way firms can enhance their competitiveness or simply because the existence of other firms signals favourable national environment for FDI.

#### 2.1.7. Market size

The market size is particularly important in cases where the multinational firm wants to serve a foreign country that involves high transport or trade costs. Since the total cost of freight increases significantly with the amount of volume traded, and because a larger market size usually means that the total quantity sold will be higher, it may become more profitable for foreign firms to locate their productive units in the country where the goods are consumed. In addition to the larger potential demand, firms may also benefit from lower costs due to economies of scale when the market size is bigger. In this context, market size can be measured by the country's total income, as well as by the number of inhabitants (i.e., consumers), since both imply a higher number of units sold. Several studies (for instance,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Michael Porter, On competition, p.199

Billington, 1999; Walsh and Yu, 2010; Jaumotte, 2004) support the importance of the economic growth and income of a certain country for the attraction of FDI.

#### 2.1.8. Exchange rate

Literature results concerning the effect of exchange rate variations on FDI flows have been somewhat mixed. Philips and Esfahani (2008) did a thorough collection of previous literature about the impact of exchange rates on FDI. The authors have concluded that "for the results at the aggregate level, 64% of these papers find that a depreciation of the host country's currency increases inward FDI." One of the studies that contradicts this result is MacDermott (2008), whose paper covers 55 countries for the period 1980-1997. The author has found that weak host currencies have an adverse impact on FDI flows, probably due to the reasons that cause currency devaluation (in particular, low interest rates and high inflation).

#### 2.1.9. Openness to Trade

In principle, an open economy is associated with higher inflows of vertical FDI, as low trade or transport costs are regarded as cheaper factor prices for the multinational firm. On the other hand, it is considered that a high degree of openness of the host country has a negative effect on horizontal FDI, since multinational firms find it more attractive to invest in the foreign country when trade barriers impose a considerable cost for the firm. However, empirical studies show that openness to trade is usually a significant explanatory variable for both types of FDI. For instance, Walsh and Yu (2010) found that openness has a strongly positive and significant effect in attracting FDI towards the service sector, whose activities are mainly non-tradable. The coefficient associated with the openness variable was negative for primary FDI and positive for manufacturing FDI, but with much smaller magnitude and significance levels than for services FDI.

#### **2.1.10. Institutions**

The quality of institutions should be a very relevant determinant of FDI due to a variety of reasons. Firstly, the risk of expropriation is higher in a country whose protection of property rights is weak. Secondly, poor governance is linked with low economic growth, which should diminish FDI activity. Thirdly, an environment of corruption increases uncertainty and the cost of doing business. Unfortunately, it is difficult to find an accurate measure for institutional quality and, consequently, the results obtained from most econometric analysis suffer from this inherent limitation. Possibly it is due to this fact that empirical results that aim to relate FDI with institutional quality are vague. Wei (2000) used several measures of corruption and in all cases it was found a strong and negative effect on FDI. But curiously, Hines (1995) found that FDI inflows in the US declined significantly after the enactment of Foreign Corrupt Practices Act in the U.S. in 1977, a law that stipulated penalties for U.S. multinational firms engaged in bribery.

#### 2.2. Literature on sectoral determinants of FDI

Despite the exhaustive number of studies aiming to find the factors that attract foreign capitals, only more recently academics started focusing on the determinants of FDI at a sectoral level. Indeed, the factors that investors take into consideration when planning to invest abroad vary with the type of industry. Again, there is a clear lack of consensus amongst the vast majority of the empirical studies, regarding the significance and direction of the effect of the potential explanatory variables of FDI.

#### 2.2.1. Primary sector

It is not easy to find empirical studies about the determinants of FDI towards the primary sector, since this type of investment is mainly resource driven and this element cannot be appropriately captured in an econometric analysis. One of the few studies belongs to Walsh and Yu (2010), who have concluded that macroeconomic variables have little impact on primary sector FDI, which was an expected result since investments in resources extraction

have little connection with macroeconomic improvements. For the OECD countries, Nauwelaerts and Beveren (2005) have found that inward FDI in the primary sector is concentrated in a small number of countries that are well endowed in terms of natural resources.

#### 2.2.2. Secondary sector

Capital flows directed to the manufacturing sector exhibit much more linkages with the macroeconomic environment than FDI towards the primary sector. Walsh and Yu (2010) show that GDP growth, trade openness, clusters and a depreciated real effective exchange rate are good for manufacturing FDI. Nauwelaerts and Beveren (2005) conclude that the high concentration of manufacturing industries in the OECD countries has largely to do with clusters of knowledge. For Sweden, Karpaty and Poldahl (2006) find that capital intensity, skills and energy intensity have a positive and statistically significant impact on manufacturing FDI. Golub (2009) and Lipsey (2002) emphasize the distinct treatment given by the host country to FDI towards the secondary sector from FDI in the service activities. Policies aimed to attract foreign investment such as tax breaks, changes in competition law and subsidies are more focused on the secondary sector, which reflects the fact that manufacturing FDI often involves moving production from one location to another.

#### 2.2.3. Tertiary sector

When the determinants of FDI are analyzed for the tertiary sector at a cross-country level, it is necessary to take into consideration that foreign investment towards the service industries are more spread across countries and that international competition to attract this type of FDI is not as fierce as in the case of manufacturing FDI, which reflects the non-tradable nature of many services (Nauwelaerts and Beveren, 2005; Lipsey, 2002). Additionally, a large number of countries impose economic, regulatory and ownership constrains in certain services' activities, notably in public utilities, transportation (namely air and maritime transport) and financial services. Golub (2009) focuses on regulatory restrictions in these types of industries and concludes that there is a negative correlation between the FDI stocks in the service sector as a ratio to population, and FDI restriction scores. Walsh and Yu

(2010) find that services FDI have considerable macroeconomic linkages, but they are somewhat different from the set of determinants of manufacturing FDI. They find evidence for the positive impact of clustering effects, openness, real effective exchange rate and GDP growth.

#### 2.3. Literature on the Determinants of FDI in Portugal

As mentioned before, there is no existing study for Portugal that assessed the determinants of FDI at sectoral level. Nevertheless, one can find several papers that analyze the variables that influence FDI inflows in the country. In what follows, it is presented a set of previous works about the determinants of FDI in Portugal.

Probably, the first thorough study on this subject was done by Matos (1973), who listed the attracting factors of inward FDI in Portugal that were: political and monetary stability, the existence of natural resources (namely mining, tourism and pulp), the lower labor costs with respect to the European countries, the easy access to credit, the relatively lower corporate tax rate and the privileged access to the EC and EFTA markets. The author also adds that the weaknesses of the Portuguese internal market constituted the main drawback for foreign investing firms. Another study was conducted by Taveira (1984) that found evidence for the importance of market size and concentration, the ability of foreign firms to differentiate their products and the government non-interference for both export and domestic market oriented firms. In addition, labor costs were found relevant for export oriented firms. Overall, results confirmed the hypothesis that market seeking (horizontal) FDI is predominant in Portugal.

A more recent work (Guimarães et al., 2000) used individual plant level data relative to greenfield investments to assess the relevance of agglomeration economies on inward FDI. They find evidence supporting the importance of agglomeration economies and urbanization effects. They also conclude that labor costs become insignificant after controlling for the educational level of the work force. Other studies in Portugal have concluded for the minor importance of low labor costs (Morais, 1994; Fontoura, 1996). Tavares and Taveira (2006) focused on the influence of human capital on the attractiveness of Portugal's FDI, finding that it affects positively inward FDI.

Leitão and Faustino (2010) analyzed inward flows of FDI in Portugal from the European countries for the period 1996-2006. Through both static and dynamic panel data estimators, the results confirmed the importance of lower wages and of market size in the attraction of cross-border investment. Unexpectedly, results showed that inflation has a positive and significant influence on inward FDI. Dynamic panel approach also showed that openness to trade has a positive impact on FDI, whereas geographical distance has a repelling effect.

Overall, literature results demonstrate that firms prefer to invest in countries with inexpensive input factors, with sound economic and political environment and with great potential for expansion. However, for some variables there is a clear lack of consensus, which shows that each country or region has its own peculiarities. Therefore, the factors that were identified in this section will be used in the next one, in order to explore the determinants of FDI for Portugal.

### **3. ECONOMETRIC SPECIFICATION**

#### **3.1. Data**

The data used in this analysis are annual gross FDI inflows in Portugal with observations from 1980 to 2009. The official data source is the Bank of Portugal, since it is the entity in charge of collecting this type of data. Nevertheless, the information published on BP*stat* does not cover some industries that are important to this study, such as FDI flows in the primary sector. Furthermore, other impediments in the effective access to this data forced the use of other sources. Therefore, the data used in the analysis was published by the GEE<sup>3</sup> and covers the period 1996-2009. Previous years were collected in Moreira & Dias (2008), who had gathered data from the Bank of Portugal, ICEP<sup>4</sup>, INE<sup>5</sup> and other previous studies about FDI in Portugal.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Gabinete de Estratégia e Estudos (GEE) - Office of Strategy and Studies, from the Ministry of Economy, Innovation and Development in Portugal.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Instituto do Comércio Externo de Portugal (ICEP) – Institute for the External Trade of Portugal

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Instituto Nacional de Estatística (INE) – National Statistics Institute

Since the objective of this study is to identify the determinants of FDI at a sectoral level, FDI was disaggregated into nine activities covering the three main sectors of the economy. For convenience purposes, abbreviations of the activity were used. Table 1 shows the correspondence between the abbreviation of the economic activity and the industries included on it.

Abbre viation	Description					
agric	Agriculture, hunting, forestry, fishing					
mining	Mining and quarrying					
manuf	Manufacturing					
electr	Electricity, gas steam, air-conditioning supply, water supply,					
	sewerage, waste management and remediation activities					
const	Construction					
retail	Wholesale and retail trade, repair of motor vehicles and					
	motorcycles, accommodation and food service activities					
transp	Transportation and storage, information and communication					
financ	Financial and insurance activities					
firmsserv	Real estate activities, businesses to firms					

 Table 1: Abbrevations

Table 2 describes the macroeconomic variables used in the model and their data sources. Although most of the variables are self-explanatory, others deserve a further explanation in order to fully comprehend their importance. One of these variables is  $gdp\_sector$ , which is relevant to capture clustering effects in a certain sector. Although most of the studies use the stock of FDI to assess the existence of agglomeration economies, the same was not possible in this study due to lack of data about the stock of FDI disaggregated by industry since 1980. As regards  $ln\_exch\_rate$ , the analysis should explore the effects of changes in the exchange rate between the national currency and the currency of each country generating the FDI flow. However, due to data limitations and for sake of simplicity, only the exchange rate between the Portuguese currency and the US dollar, the most common currency in international transactions, is used.

Variable	Measure	Source			
CRT	Combined corporate income tax rate	OECD Stat			
dif_CTR	Difference between the corporate income tax rate	OECD Stat			
	in Portugal and the OECD average				
labor_rigid	Strictness of employment protection - overall,	OECD Stat			
	version 1				
ln_minwage	Real minimum wages in euros in log, base year	Pordata			
	1980				
openness	Trade-to-GDP ratio, in current prices and in	OECD Stat			
	current exchange rates				
gdp_growth	Real GDP growth	OECD Stat			
lngdpcapr	Real GDP per capita in euros, base year 1980	Ameco Online Database, own computations			
ln_exch_rate	Exchange rate (national currency per US dollars) in	OECD Stat			
	log				
schooling	real rate of population with high school education	Pordata			
CPI	inflation rate, annual growth in %	OECD Stat			
lnlc_sector	Average real salary in euros of the sector	Pordata			
	concerned, base year 1980, in log				
gdp_sector	Ratio of the value added of the sector concerned in	Bank of Portugal (for data 1980-1995), INE			
	nominal GDP	(for data 1996-2009), own computations			
fdi_sector	Gross inflows of FDI in the sector concerned in	GEE Database(for data 1996-2009), article			
	euros, constant prices, base year 1980, in log	of Moreira & Dias (for data 1980-1995)			

Table 2: Variable description

As seen in table 2, all nominal variables were transformed in real variables using 1980 as the base year. Furthermore, all the variables exhibiting a trend were used in logs.

Some of the variables identified in the literature review as being relevant for explaining FDI flows were not possible to include in this model for 2 main reasons. Firstly, for some of the variables there is no data going as back as 1980 (for instance, political risk and the quality of institutions). Therefore their inclusion in the model would imply a significant reduction in the size of the sample. Secondly, other variables relevant to explain inward FDI had no appropriate measure and, as a result, it is extremely difficult or even impossible to include them in the model. Examples of such variables are the abundance of natural resources, the regulatory framework and the cultural and linguistic ties among the home and host FDI countries.

#### **3.2. First Model**

As stated before, the objective of this paper is to assess the determinants of FDI inflows in Portugal at a sectoral level. For this purpose, it is developed an econometric model whose empirical specification reads

$$y_t = c + \alpha y_{t-1} + X'_t \beta + u_t$$

where t denotes the time dimension t=1,2,...30. The dependent variable  $y_t$  is the log of inward FDI for each sector in real terms,  $y_{t-1}$  is the one-year lagged log of FDI inflows of the sector concerned and  $X_t$  is the vector of macroeconomic variables. The inclusion of  $y_{t-1}$ violates the strict exogeneity condition and therefore, it is assumed that this variable is contemporaneously exogenous. Despite this drawback for the model,  $y_{t-1}$  captures the dynamic nature of FDI and also mitigates the autocorrelation problem. As far as variables included in vector  $X_t$  are concerned, there is no apparent reason to think that they are not strictly exogenous (apart from  $gdp_growth$ , but it will not be used in this part).

Firstly, it was chosen a set of regressors that were suitable to explain total FDI inflows and then it was used the same variables to assess their impact on inward FDI of each sector. The variables were selected in such a way that diverse dimensions of the determinants of foreign investment could be analyzed: *labor\_rigid* to evaluate the influence of labor market conditions; *openness* to estimate the effect of the internationalization of the economy;  $ln\_exch\_rate$  to assess the influence of changes in relative prices due to currency fluctuations (the inclusion of this variable led to the exclusion of *CPI* from this regression due to the high correlation between exchange rate and inflation);  $ln\_minwage$  to analyze whether multinational firms decide to invest in Portugal in order to exploit low labor costs (again, the inclusion of a variable related to salaries led me to exclude *gdpcapr* of this regression, due to the high correlation existing between real salaries and real GDP per capita); *dif\_CTR*<sup>6</sup> to account for the impact of taxation.

Taking into account the characteristics of the model, the OLS estimator seems appropriate. The estimations were carried out using the Stata program 11. After running the regressions,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> It was also tested the significance of corporate income tax rate instead of the difference between this rate in Portugal and the average of the OECD countries. The latter was much more relevant in explaining FDI inflows.

it was tested whether the model violates the no serial correlation and the homoskedasticity assumptions. In order to assess that, the Breusch-Godfrey and the Breusch-Pagan tests were used, whose results can be found in annex 2. None of the activities exhibits heteroskedastic errors, but two of them (*financ* and *agric*) do not obey to the no serial correlation property, which implies that inference analysis cannot be done for these two sectors. To overcome this problem, the model used standard errors robust to both heteroskedasticy and serial correlation obtained by the Newey-West estimation method for standard errors. It is important to note that the Newey-West standard errors were used only in *agric* and *financ* sectors. Therefore, the regressions obey to the asymptotic properties of OLS under which the Gauss-Markov theorem holds.

Table 3 presents the main results.

	total	agric	mining	manuf	electr	const	retail	transp	financ	firmsserv
lagged	0.5372**	0.386**	0.4644**	0.4415***	-0.0222	0.5786***	0.5748***	0.119	0.486***	0.6362***
	(0.1325)	(0.170)	(0.1817)	(0.1509)	(0.2592)	(0.1290)	(0.1480)	(0.2009)	(0.190)	(0.1566)
labor_rigid	-0.4959	0.3646	-0.7935	-0.0294	-4.6853	-0.2548	-0.5195	-2.3627**	-0.4845	0.9407
	(0.6092)	(0.6710)	(1.3372)	(0.5057)	(5.3771)	(0.7431)	(0.6244)	(1.1287)	(0.6245)	(0.7133)
openness	0.0639***	0.0592**	0.081	0.0722***	0.02563	0.0309	0.0506*	0.0843*	0.0739***	0.0534*
	(0.0190)	(0.0226)	(0.0552)	(0.0209)	(0.0892)	(0.0283)	(0.0257)	(0.0460)	(0.0243)	(0.0283)
ln_exch_rate	1.3176**	0.023	-1.159	1.6416***	4.7113	1.1478*	0.9678	2.939**	0.9476	1.7269**
	(0.5098)	(0.6214)	(1.1081)	(0.5678)	(3.6554)	(0.5910)	(0.5872)	(1.1038)	(0.6214)	(0.7969)
ln_minwage	3.652*	0.9096	-3.584	5.4514**	8.0253	0.4604	4.0584	4.1966	0.7735	5.2218*
	(1.9467)	(2.2137)	(4.9854)	(2.3080)	(27.1277)	(2.5903)	(2.4902)	(4.4969)	(2.1055)	(2.6466)
dif_CRT	-0.057	-0.099**	-0.0592	-0.0349	-0.079	-0.1774**	-0.0279	-0.1054	-0.084*	-0.0764
	(0.0389)	(0.0398)	(0.0992)	(0.0391)	(0.2561)	(0.0650)	(0.0450)	(0.0798)	(0.0457)	(0.0650)
_const	-10.82	-3.5761	15.41	-17.8799*	-5.5969	1.8293	-11.3038	-3.1048	0.4048	-21.894*
	(8.240)	(10.642)	(23.9531)	(9.3148)	(121.3076)	(12.5675)	(10.6581)	(19.7217)	(9.0859)	(11.9725)
$\mathbf{R}^2$	0.9596		0.4908	0.9509	0.7058	0.9142	0.9461	0.8776		0.9376
No. of observ.	29	29	29	29	21	29	29	29	29	29

Table 3: Results

Standard errors in parentheses

\*\*\*p<0.01, \*\*p<0.05, \*p<0.1

Regardless of the limitations described above, the results obtained were very interesting. The findings suggest the model to be robust.  $R^2$  indicates good explanatory power and the F-statistic shows the model jointly significant at 1% significance level in all the economic activities except *mining*, whose p-value of the F statistic is slightly above 0.01.

It is possible to observe that the sign of the coefficient associated for each variable does not change across the sectors, when the same is statistically significant. What does differ across the industries is the magnitude and the degree of significance of each macroeconomic variable considered. It is also interesting to note that the set of significant economic factors is the same for total FDI and manufacturing FDI, which may be explained by the fact that the secondary sector was the most attractive one in the majority of the years covered by this study.

As expected, macroeconomic factors have little relevance for foreign investment in *mining*, since it is mainly resource driven. This is visible by the absence of significant variables and by the value of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , which is the lowest among all industries. The *agric* sector has more linkages with the economic conditions, but they have a much lower explanatory power than in the other economic activities. Furthermore, FDI towards utilities industries is also minimally affected by improvements in macroeconomic conditions, suggesting that privatization policies and changes in regulatory framework were the main motives for foreign investment in this sector, as pointed by Golub (2009) and Alesina et al. (2005). Note also that in this sector there are only 21 observations, which is explained by the fact that foreign investment in utilities was nonexistent until 1988.

The regressions show that *openness* variable has a positive and statistically significant effect on all the sectors apart from the *mining* and the two sectors that are fully non-tradable due to its nature (*elect* and *const*). Although it may not be intuitive the fact that openness is relevant for FDI in the services sector<sup>7</sup>, which is mainly horizontal investment, this result has appeared frequently in the literature. A possible explanation for this fact was given by Walsh and Yu (2010) suggesting that "openness to trade is correlated with some type of economic liberalization that also generates a sound economic environment for the service sector<sup>798</sup>.

The *ln\_exch\_rate* variable is significant in four of the industries considered. In line with most studies on the subject, a depreciation of the national currency has an attracting effect for foreign firms to invest in Portugal. As far as the strictness of employment (*labor\_rigid*) is concerned, the coefficient associated with this variable has a negative sign for most of the industries, but it is only significant for the *transp* industry. The findings also show the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> In 2007, services exports accounted for 25% of total exports. In 1995, this ratio was 21%.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Walsh and Yu (2010), p.10

negative impact of *dif CTR* on FDI flows in three economic sectors (*agric, const* and financ).

A rather surprising result is the positive sign of the coefficient of ln\_minwage<sup>9</sup>, which suggests that a raise in the real minimum salary attracts more FDI. This indicates multinational firms do not choose to invest in Portugal to take advantage of low labor costs, but instead they invest in the country mainly to serve the Portuguese internal market horizontal FDI. This result is in line with previous studies (Taveira, 1984; Morais, 1994; Fontoura, 1996) about the determinants of FDI in Portugal and with the Ernst&Young attractiveness survey for Portugal (2010), which have concluded that FDI in the country is mainly driven by the market-seeking motive. Another fact supporting this theory is that employees working in foreign-controlled firms have, on average, higher productivity (OECD, 2008<sup>10</sup>) and higher salaries than those working in national firms (Eurostat, 2008; Ministry of Labor and Social Security). For instance, during the period 1991-1999, foreign firms paid, on average, 4.5€ per hour (at constant prices of 2000), while the average salary of national firms was 3.3€ per hour (Quadros de Pessoal, Ministry of Labor and Social Security).

Therefore, the positive coefficient of *ln\_minwage* may indicate that a raise in the real minimum wage increases the purchasing power of the population, which in turn translates into more opportunities for foreign firms to exploit the Portuguese domestic market. However, it is difficult to find a reasonable explanation for the fact that it is the manufacturing sector the one with the biggest coefficient for *ln\_minwage*.<sup>11</sup>

In the *retail* sector, only one macroeconomic variable (openness) was significant. This could be seen as a surprise. This sector is one of the most representatives of the tertiary sector in terms of FDI and previous studies have found evidence of the linkages between

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> In minwage had a positive and significant coefficient even after controlling for schooling. However, because the inclusion of schooling in the regression barely altered the results and because it never was significant, it was excluded from the model. <sup>10</sup> Figure 1.13

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> It may be worthwhile mentioning that, perhaps, if it was used the difference between the minimum wage in Portugal and the OECD average instead of *ln\_minwage*, the sign of the coefficient for this variable would probably be negative, reflecting the importance of the fact that Portugal has cheap labor relatively to other developed countries, but not compared with most of the developing economies. As it is not possible to measure accurately the difference between the minimum salary in Portugal and the industrialized countries during the last 30 years, the variable *ln\_minwage* may not capture entirely the importance of lower labor costs in Portugal for the attraction of FDI from other developed countries.

services FDI and macroeconomic improvements. This issue will be addressed in the next chapter.

To conclude this part, additional regressions were run in order to test the relevance of the adhesion of Portugal to the European Economic Community in 1986 and the introduction of the euro in 1999. Portugal's accession to the European Community is regarded as a market size enlargement and therefore, it could be interesting to analyze its impact on FDI inflows. This was done by including a dummy variable taking the value zero for the period before 1985 and one for the period after 1986. The results can be found in annex 2. This dummy variable was not statistically significant neither for total FDI inflows nor for any of the economic activities considered. This may be explained by the fact that the adhesion of the country to EEC was a gradual process, whose effects cannot be attributed just to a specific year. Furthermore, because this dummy divides the sample in two parts that are very unequal, the interpretation of the result needs some caution. Consequently the dummy was excluded from the regressions.

It was also tested whether the introduction of the euro in 1999 implied a significant change in inward FDI. In order to assess that, it was included a dummy variable that takes the value 0 for the period before 1998 and 1 for the after 1999. The results can be found in the annex 2. Disappointingly, the findings show that this dummy variable has a negative coefficient, but not statistically significant.

#### **3.3. Second model**

In this part, the set of independent variables was adjusted for each of the nine economic activities. In this manner, it is possible to test whether sector specific characteristics are relevant to explain FDI inflows. There are two sector specific variables additionally tested in this part. These are *gdp\_sector* and *lnlc\_sector*, to evaluate respectively the influence of clustering effects and of average real salaries in the specific sector.

Additionally, in order to enlarge the number of potential explanatory variables of the model, *schooling*, *gdp\_growth*, *gdpcapr* and *CPI* were included. To avoid multicollinearity, the last two variables were never tested in conjunction with one of the wage variables and the exchange rate. The variable *schooling* was never statistically significant in any of the

sectors. This is why it does not appear in any of the following regressions. Another important remark is the fact that  $gdp\_growth$  is potentially an endogenous variable, since inward FDI can promote economic growth, which in turn will probably affect FDI inflows. Therefore, it was adopted the IV estimator when testing the importance of  $gdp\_growth$  as a determinant of FDI. Theoretically speaking, ideal instruments should be variables correlated with  $gdp\_growth$ , but not with the error term. However, perfect instruments are hard to obtain. In this case, it was used consumption growth, government expenditures growth and the unemployment rate as instrumented variables. Perhaps unexpectedly, the  $gdp\_growth$  variable was nonsignificant in all sectors and was thus excluded in the following model.

In view of the fact that the small number of observations constitutes a limitation of this study, a problem more acute due to the high number of potential explanatory variables, thus implying a significant loss of degrees of freedom, the solution was to test several reduced specifications of the model until the final model was found. The potential hazard of this unorthodox strategy is the existence of omitted variables that would generate biased results. In this way, it was computed the Ramsey RESET test<sup>12</sup> to assess the existence of omitted variables.

Once again the OLS estimation method was used. After running the regressions in Stata the Breusch-Pagan test for heteroskedasticity and the Breusch-Godfrey test for autocorrelation were performed. As before, all regressions have residuals with constant variance, but the sectors *agric* and *financ* exhibit serial correlation. As a result, it was used Newey-West standard errors just for these 2 sectors.

For agriculture, none of the additional potential explanatory variables was found significant. In this way, the model was reduced to account for the impact of *openness* and *dif\_CTR*, the same factors previously found relevant. Despite the small number of explanatory variables, the RESET test did not accuse the existence of omitted variables.

Regarding FDI towards extractive industries (*mining*), none of the potential variables was found significant even at 10% significance level. As mentioned before, this confirms that

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Ramsey Regression Equation Specification Error Test (RESET). This test is useful to detect general functional form misspecifications.

foreign enterprises in this sector are immune to macroeconomic improvements, when they determine the location of their investments in mining activities.

For the secondary sector (*manuf*), the results are similar to the ones obtained in the previous model. The only difference is the inclusion of the sector-specific variable  $gdp_manuf$ , which shows strong clustering effects of manufacturing activities, a fact that has been mentioned in several studies (Nauwelaerts and Beveren, 2005; Guimarães et al., 2000; Walsh and Yu, 2010). Despite the variable  $dif_CTR$  being nonsignificant at 10% level (as the p-value is 0.16) it becomes relevant when using robust standard errors.<sup>13</sup> Therefore, it is plausible that corporate taxing exert a negative influence on manufacturing FDI. Apart from the sign of the coefficient associated with the minimum wage, all the results are aligned with the majority of previous studies about the determinants of manufacturing FDI and were analyzed before.

For the utilities sector, the only relevant variable was *gdpcapr*. The fact that a higher real GDP per capita is associated with higher investment in public utilities is intuitive, since a wealthier population demands more reliable services with cleaner technologies and with higher security of supply. As mentioned before, an index relative to barriers to entry would probably also be significant to explain cross-border investment in utilities. However, the lack of measurement for this factor led to exclude them in the model.

When it comes to FDI in construction, the variables found significant were, once again, *dif\_CTR* and *ln\_exch\_rate*. None of the additional variables tested in this part revealed to be statistically significant and therefore the model was simplified in order to account only for the effect of taxation and the exchange rate. Nevertheless, the RESET test did not accuse the existence of omitted variables.

Concerning the *transp* FDI, the set of relevant variables is barely unchanged from the previous model. Once more, *openness* and *labor\_rigid* are found significant<sup>14</sup>, as well as *gdpcapr*. The econometric tests rejected the importance of clustering effects as well as labor costs in this sector. Overall, the results support the idea of the importance of the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> I opted for using the standard errors obtained by the Davidson and MacKinnon (1993) standard errors, instead of the classic Eicker-Huber-White standard errors, since with this approach the variance-covariance matrix seems to converge more quickly, as sample size n increases, to the correct variance-covariance estimates. Therefore, this method is more appropriate for smaller sample sizes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> With robust standard errors, the *ln\_exch\_rate* also becomes significant. Therefore, it is plausible that exchange rate depreciation affects positively inward FDI into this sector.

domestic market and of labor market conditions for multinational enterprises to invest in Portugal, which makes sense taking into account the nature of the service.

For the *retail* sector, only *gdpcapr* and *openness* were significant. The intuition for the relevance of these 2 results in the tertiary sector was presented above. The fact that this sector, which is one of the most representatives in terms of FDI inflows in Portugal, has so little linkages with the macroeconomic environment deserves future research.

In regards to the financial sector, the model violated the no serial correlation property. Therefore, it was used Newey-West standard errors that showed that *openness*, *ln\_exch\_rate* and *dif\_CTR* were the relevant variables to explain FDI flows towards financial industries.

Previously, the variables found significant for the real estate activities and services to firms sector (*firmsserv*) were *ln\_exch\_rate*, *ln\_minwage* and *openness*. Here, the minimum wage was replaced by *lngdpcapr* because it seems more appropriate for this type of industry, since the average salary in this industry is well above the minimum salary (Quadros de Pessoal, Ministry of Labor and Social Security). Real GDP per capita has a strong influence on *firmsserv* FDI, with elasticity above 3%. The factors that are sector-specific were not found relevant to explain FDI inflows in this industry.

Overall, there was not a significant change from the previous model. The most interesting results obtained in this part were the fact that real GDP per capita affects most of the economic activities of the tertiary sector and also the fact that FDI towards the manufacturing industries is strongly influenced by clusters, which is a result that was already found for Portugal. By contrast, neither the tertiary nor the primary sector appears to exhibit agglomeration economies.

Due to the fact that there are no previous studies examining the determinants of FDI for most of the economic activities considered in this paper, it is not possible to make comparisons about most of the results obtained. For instance, it is hard to find a reasonable explanation for the fact that labor market rigidities affect only FDI in one of the industries considered in this study (transport and communication), or why corporate tax rate affects only 3 industries which are completely distinct (agriculture, construction and financial activities).

### **4. POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

This chapter uses the results obtained in the previous chapter to establish policy guidelines in order to improve the attractiveness of Portugal for foreign investing firms.

One factor considered important for most of the industries considered is trade openness. Therefore, a policy recommendation is to lower non-tariff barriers to trade since they are well above the OECD average (Figures 3.1-3.4). The OECD (2008) report considers that, despite substantial improvements in the last years, there is still room to lower port and airport charges, and to improve the efficiency of customs procedures, logistics and technical requirements. Another important component that acts as a trade barrier to foreign trade is the quality of transport infra-structures. The OECD (2008) recognizes that the highway network in Portugal has been substantially improved, but also points that the rail network and logistics in ports need to be improved.

For manufacturing FDI, there is strong evidence of the importance of clustering effects. However, Portugal has not been able to manage correctly the agglomeration of industries within the country. Indeed, in Michael Porter's book (1998) it is made a comparison between the dimensions of clusters in the U.S. and in Portugal, to illustrate the differences between a highly advanced economy and a middle-income country. Figure 3.5 shows a picture taken from his book that shows the distribution of clusters in Portugal. A policy recommendation is to ease linkages and communication between domestic firms and foreign multinational enterprises and to direct government efforts and funds to certain key industries with strong potential for creating a large and internationally-competitive cluster, in a consistent manner over time.

Currently, the combined corporate tax rate in Portugal at 26.5% is slightly higher than the OECD average. Furthermore, it is well above European catching-up economies such as Hungary, Czech Republic, Slovak Republic and Poland, all of them with 19% of combined corporate tax rate (OECD database). Therefore, it is recommended that, as soon as public finances are in a sustainable path, the corporate tax rate should be lowered in order to

attract more foreign investment, especially to agriculture, construction, finance and manufacturing.

In service industries, which are mainly directed to the internal market, it was evident the importance of the robustness of the internal demand for the attraction of FDI was evident. In this case, the policy implications are vast, since measures to boost the domestic market are more complex and involve improvements in several the domains of the economy, such as employment, taxation, productivity and education.

# 5. Conclusions, Limitations and Future Research

#### **5.1.** Conclusions

This study represents the most comprehensive work about the determinants of FDI at a sectoral level for the Portuguese economy. This is particularly relevant since previous literature demonstrated that externalities generated by foreign investment vary according to the sectors. Furthermore, the Portuguese agency to promote foreign investment, AICEP, has identified a set of economic activities considered "prominent sectors" due to their high potentialities in terms of future return and linkages to the real economy. Therefore, the implementation of the most cost-effective measures to promote foreign investment towards these specific sectors is crucial.

The results obtained yield a number of insights about attracting foreign direct investment. A common relevant variable for the three economic sectors was openness to trade, reflecting not only the export commitment of foreign firms, but also the correlation between international movements of goods and international flows of capital. Another common variable for all service industries is real GDP per capita. This result is intuitive as tertiary industries are mainly aimed at supplying the domestic market. Other common findings were that total level of education, sector specific average real salary and economic growth were never significant for any economic activity.

Another interesting result obtained is that only the manufacturing sector exhibits agglomeration economies. And perhaps, the most unexpected finding of the model is that, in general, foreign investing firms do not choose to invest in Portugal to take advantage a cheap work force, since a raise in the real minimum wage was found to affect positively FDI inflows.

A weaker exchange rate appears to attract more foreign investment to the economy, especially for the industries of construction, manufacturing and businesses to firms. A reduction in the corporate tax rate would also be welcomed by foreign multinational enterprises (and also national firms), in particular by the industries of agriculture, construction, financial and businesses to firms. Employment strictness appears to be a significant constraint only for firms in the transport and communication industry.

As expected, investment in the extractive industries and in the utilities sector exhibit little linkages with economic factors. This is because there are other underlying factors that cannot be captured by the model, such as the abundance of natural resources and privatization policies.

#### **5.2.** Limitations

The fact that this study was aimed just to find the determinants of FDI in the Portuguese economy in order to capture its own peculiarities has the drawback of limiting the size of the sample. As a result, few regressors were used in the model due to the lack of degrees of freedom. Furthermore, as it was not possible to find data since 1980 for some potential explanatory variables, such as institutional quality and political stability, this led to the exclusion of these variables from the model, or else it would lose half of the number of observations.

Another weakness is that it does not take into account some factors that are essential for the occurrence of some investments, such as bilateral treaties, tax breaks, cultural and language linkages, and the attribution of subsidies for a particular investment. The exclusion of these factors is inevitable due to the fact that this dissertation analyses industry-level data instead of firm-level data, since the latter is confidential.

As any pioneer study, it was not possible to make an appropriate comparative analysis that would undoubtedly enrich this work. Probably, the existence of a similar study might have contributed to the finding of a better set of regressors for each economic activity.

#### **5.3. Suggestions for Future Research**

It would be interesting to construct an index of FDI restrictions for some service industries frequently subject to ownership restrictions, such as telecommunications, transports, tourism, electricity and finance and to include this index in an econometric model. This could be done, for instance, using the formula developed by Golub (2009).

It is also important to explore is the fact that wholesale and retail services, accommodation and food services appear to exhibit so little linkages with economic factors. Since this sector is amongst the ones that attract more FDI inflows, further research would be important to understand the determinants of foreign investment towards this type of service industry.

Another subject that is in line with the theme of this thesis is the impact of sectoral FDI on Portugal's economic growth. Such a study could complement this one in the sense that policy makers must know both the determinants and the spillovers of FDI in each sector, in order to create a suitable package of incentives for foreign multinational enterprises to invest in the country.

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## Annex 1

### **EVOLUTION OF FDI IN PORTUGAL**

After decades of relative isolation, in the 1980s Portugal got involved in a catch-up process towards the European income levels, reflecting the growing European integration market. This necessarily implied reforms to open up the economy and improve the productivity levels of the country. Consequently, over the last three decades, it is possible to observe a completely new attitude towards FDI. While in the beginning of the 1980s there were fierce FDI restrictions relative to some economic sectors and towards the presence of foreign firms, in the XXI century Portuguese governments strive and spend large amount of funds<sup>15</sup> to encourage foreign firms investing in Portugal and also to promote the internationalization of the Portuguese firms.

This section highlights the different phases of evolution of FDI in Portugal, both in terms of growth as well as in terms of sectoral distribution of FDI flows. This analysis is very interesting since it shows clearly the volatile and dynamic nature of foreign investment, as well as the evolution of policies about FDI, which is something that should be taken into account when one does this type of study.

### 1. Period 1980-1989

In the beginning of the 1980s there was a contraction in FDI flows at worldwide level, due to the instability of interest and exchange rates, as well as the recession of the early decade. However, this global trend was not observed in Portugal, since the compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of gross FDI inflows was 37% from 1980 to 1985. This was the period when Portugal started preparing to become a member of the European Economic

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> On the webpage of AICEP, it is described some instruments to finance FDI projects that are considered especially important for the country. Besides fiscal benefits, the other instruments are PIN (Projectos de Potencial Interesse Nacional), PIN+ and QREN. The benefits vary mainly according to the sector invested, the number of jobs created and the amount of investment, but other factors may be also taken into account, such as energy efficiency of the buildings, I&D spending and the region where the investment is done.

Community (EEC). Consequently, the country introduced economic reforms aiming to open the economy and to attract foreign capital. One of these measures was the *Sistema Integrado de Incentivos ao Investimento*, published in June of 1980, which aimed at attracting FDI projects by providing incentives that would be adjusted in accordance with the expected return of that investment to the economy, namely in terms of job creation and modernization of the sector. However, it was not until 1986 that the prior authorization procedure for foreign investment was removed. This meant FDI started being permitted unless otherwise restricted, while before FDI was prohibited unless previous authorization was granted<sup>16</sup>.

In the second half of the 1980s, cross-border investment trends changed and FDI flows grew strongly at the global level, accompanying the expansion of world output and policy developments in terms of privatization, deregulation and debt-equity swaps in most developed market economies. According to UNCTAD (1991), the annual average growth of world FDI outflows was 28.9% between 1983 and 1989 (Figure 1.1), while exports grew 9.4% and the world GDP advanced 7.8% in the same period. In Portugal, FDI inflows grew at a CAGR of 52%, from 1985 to 1989. This strong rise occurred not only due to the global expansion of international capital flows, but also because of the accession of Portugal to the European Community on January 1<sup>st</sup> 1986. In that same year, the Portuguese government created the *Foreign Investment Law (Lei do Investimento Estrangeiro*, regulatory decree number 24/86 of 18 July 1986) stating that investment from non-EC countries would be subject to assessment and negotiation, while investment by EC-firms was not subject to this safeguards clause.

It was the manufacturing sector the one that registered the highest inflows of Portuguese FDI during the 1980s, contrasting with the pattern observed in most of developed countries at that time, when foreign capital flows were already mainly towards the services sector. The fact that Portugal had inexpensive, abundant and uneducated labor relative to the rest of the industrialized world explains why FDI was mainly directed to the secondary sector until 1989. As far as the public utilities<sup>17</sup> sector is concerned, there is not any register of FDI inflows from 1980 to 1988, reflecting the fact that the sector was subject to restrictions on the ownership of the firms' capital.

<sup>16</sup> OECD, 1994

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Electricity, gas and water supply

As a matter of fact, the privatization program in Portugal was only launched in 1989 as a result of the 1988 Constitutional reforms.<sup>18</sup> The financial sector also benefited from this privatization process and this was visible by the decline of the state banks' presence in the market, which went down from 89% to 39% during 1987-1992.

Figures 1.2 and 1.3 illustrate the share of each economic activity in total FDI inflows. Despite manufacturing industries had absorbed the majority of Portuguese FDI inflows until 1989 in absolute values, its relative weight on the total of inwards FDI declined from 48.7% in 1980 to 26.9% in 1989. During the same period, the share of Portugal's FDI directed to the primary sector also deteriorated from 14.1% to 2.6%. Consequently, industries of the tertiary sector had a growing importance in the attraction of cross-border investment, namely in the real estate activities and services to firms (with a gain of 22.2 percent points), the construction sector (that grew 8.3 p.p.) and the financial activities (whose relative weight increased by 8.7 p.p.).

### 2. Period 1990-2003

In the beginning of the 1990s, ICEP<sup>19</sup> listed a set of target industries that were considered especially relevant for the market development in Portugal. These were the automotive industry, biotechnology (including pharmaceuticals), food processing, information technology, hospital and surgical equipment and ceramics and plastics. However, these industries were not aligned with the incentives provided by the government for investing multinational enterprises, since they were directed towards agriculture, energy, telecommunications, tourism, industry and trade sectors.

From 1990 until 1992, the financial activities' industry was the most attractive sector in Portugal for foreign investors (still reflecting the privatization process), followed by real estate activities and other services to firms and by the manufacturing industry. In 1993, the secondary sector comes back to the top position, capturing 32.3% of the entire inwards FDI

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup>There were a number of decree-laws enacted from 1988 to 1993 that allowed private capital to enter in utilities' firms. The decree-law n° 449/88 was the basis for the privatization process, which was reinforced by the decree-law n° 336/91. These two laws were fundamental for private firms to enter in the industries of steelmaking, petroleum refining, basic petrochemicals, gas and electrical production and distribution. The decree-law n° 379/93 was relevant for the partial privatization of the sector of water supply and sanitation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> Instituto do Comércio Externo de Portugal

in Portugal, which represents a jump from 1992 when manufacturing FDI corresponded only to 19.2% of the total (Figures 1.4-1.6). This jump was largely driven by the Autoeuropa investment<sup>20</sup>, which was the biggest foreign investment ever made in Portugal. This project was vital to attract a number of other firms related to the automotive, electronics, metalworking and mechanical engineering sectors in the coming years. Furthermore, the creation of Autoeuropa was also advantageous because it improved the image of Portugal abroad, since a project of that dimension requires modern infrastructures, skilled and abundant labor, as well as political and macroeconomic stable environment. Despite the huge dimension of this investment, figure 1.4 shows total FDI and manufacturing FDI declined in 1993. This was consequence of the recession felt in Portugal and in Europe in that year, which contracted international movements of capital.

From 1995 until 2003, the manufacturing sector was the most attractive for foreign investors in Portugal (Figure 1.7). But despite these massive flows of foreign capital, data from the European Commission (2001) reveals Portugal's productivity growth in manufacturing during the 1990s decade was the lowest among the fifteen countries of the European Union. The loss of the leading position in 2004 is temporary and not relevant to attribute that fact to the enlargement of the European Union to Central and Eastern European countries.

From 1996 to 2001, there was an enormous and continuous increase in inwards FDI growing 35%<sup>21</sup> annually. This was also a very dynamic period of the Portuguese economy, whose average annual real GDP growth rate was 3.7%. The period corresponded also with the transition of the country to European Monetary Union and included the realization of the world exhibition known as Expo'98. This was relevant in the improvement of infrastructures, boosting tourism flows and projecting the image of the country abroad. Throughout this 5-year period, it was possible to witness a further decline in the relevance of the primary sector in the attraction of foreign capital, whilst tertiary industries (particularly, the wholesale and retail trade, accommodation and food service sector) registered a gain in absolute and relative terms (Figures 1.8 and 1.9).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> The Autoeuropa Project resulted from a joint-venture between Volkswagen and Ford in 1991. The factory started producing in 1995 and required a total initial investment of 1,970 million euro.
<sup>21</sup> CAGR

### **3.** Nowadays

From 2003 onwards, the gross FDI inflows have been relatively stable, as illustrated by figures 1.10-1.12. Even with the global financial crisis severely affecting international movements of capital<sup>22</sup> and trade, the total FDI inflows in Portugal declined only slightly in 2009. But despite high total FDI inflows, the share of new firms in total investment has been small, with the bulk being done by foreign firms already present. This could be a matter of some concern, because it reveals that the perceived attractiveness of Portugal for potential foreign investors is being reduced.

In terms of sectoral distribution, the same pattern was observed across 2003-2009, with the dominance of the manufacturing industries, wholesale and retail trade, accommodation and food services activities and real estate activities and services to firms.

On the webpage of AICEP<sup>23</sup>, the Portuguese investment promoting agency, there is a list of industries considered "prominent sectors" due to its elevated potentialities in terms of expected return and due to the interaction effects with the local firms. These industries are: renewable energy, pharmaceuticals, chemicals, tourism, automotive, pulp and paper, information technologies, electrical and electronic, moulds and forest products. They are generally in line with the three sectors identified by the Eurostat (2008) as being the ones that generated the highest proportion of sectoral value added by foreign-controlled firms in Portugal: electrical and optical equipment, transport equipment and chemicals, chemical products and man-made fibers.

Another subject worth mentioning is the survey conducted annually by Ernst&Young. This interviews business leaders of foreign multinational firms to assess the attractiveness of the Portugal for investment decisions. The last survey (Ernst&Young, 2010)<sup>24</sup> indicated that in order to make Portugal a more attractive country for foreign investors, it is necessary to improve the business environment in the country, namely in education and training system, tax levels and fiscal complexity, innovation, judicial system and labor flexibility. The same survey also reveals that the most attractive factors of the country were Portuguese language

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> The global FDI flows declined 39% in 2009, according to UNCTAD

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> Agência para o Investimento e Comércio Externo de Portugal

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> For the survey, 204 international business leaders were interviewed in order to assess the attractiveness of Portugal regarding direct investments. The parent nationalities of the companies are representative of investments in Europe.

and culture, quality of life and telecommunications infrastructure. According to this study, Portugal's main competing countries are Spain, followed by Germany and Poland. Western Europe countries are considered by 2/3 of foreign investors as the main competing countries for Portugal, which suggests that they are not looking for inexpensive work force. Regarding the sectors considered the most important driver of Portugal's growth in the next 2 years, the majority of the investors pointed tourism and leisure, followed by information and communication technologies and business to business services, excluding finance.

Figure 1.1. FDI inflows in Portugal by sector (1980-1989)







### Figure 1.3. Share of each sector in total gross FDI inflows in Portugal (1989)







Figure 1.5. Share of each sector in total gross FDI inflows in Portugal (1990)





### Figure 1.6. Share of each sector in total gross FDI inflows in Portugal (1993)

### Figure 1.7. FDI inflows in Portugal by sector (1996-2002)



- Agriculture, forestry and fishing
- Mining
- Manufacturing
- Electricity, gas and water supply
- Construction
- Wholesale and retail trade, accommodation and food service activities
- —— Financial activities
- ——Real estate services, services to firms
- Other activities

### Figure 1.8. Share of each sector in total gross FDI inflows in Portugal (1996)



Figure 1.9. Share of each sector in total gross FDI inflows in Portugal (2001)



Figure 1.10. FDI inflows in Portugal by sector (2003-2009)



- Mining
- Manufacturing
- Construction
- ——Transportation, communication
- ——Financial activities
- Other activities



### Figure 1.11. Share of each sector in total gross FDI inflows in Portugal (2004)

Figure 1.12. Share of each sector in total gross FDI inflows in Portugal (2009)



- Agriculture, forestry and fishing
- Mining
- Manufacturing
- Electricity, gas and water supply
- Construction
- Wholesale and retail trade, accommodation and food service activities
- Transportation, communication
- Financial activities
- 🖬 Real estate services, services to firms
- Other activities

**Figure 1.13.** Value added per person employed and gross operating rate for foreign-controlled enterprises, non-financial business economy (national-controlled enterprises = 100)



(1) Value added per person employed not available.

Source: Eurostat, 2008

## Annex 2

. regress fdi	i_total lagfd	li_total	labor_rigid	openness	In_exch_rat	e 1n_minwager	dif_CTR
Source	55	df	MS	Nu	mber of obs	= 29	
Model Residual	77.1686748 3.25134935	61 22.	2.8614458 147788607	Pr R-	ob > F squared	= 0.0000 = 0.9596 = 0.9485	
Total	80.4200241	28 2	. 87214372	Ro	ot MSE	= .38443	
fdi_total	Coef.	Std. Er	r. t	P> t	[95% Conf.	Interval]	
lagfdi_total labor_rigid openness ln_exch_rate ln_minwager dif_CTR _cons	.537184 118497 .0639102 1.317646 3.651605 0570947 -10.81818	.132549 .495933 .019035 .509784 1.94669 .038878 8.24083	5 4.05 7 -0.24 4 3.36 6 2.58 2 1.88 2 -1.47 2 -1.31	0.001 0.813 0.003 0.017 0.074 0.156 0.203	.2622931 -1.147001 .0244332 .2604178 3855867 1377232 -27.90862	.8120749 .9100065 .1033871 2.374875 7.688797 .0235338 6.272265	

## Figure 2.1. Stata output for total FDI gross inflows

### . estat hettest

Breusch-Pagan / Cook-Weisberg test for heteroskedasticity Ho: Constant variance Variables: fitted values of fdi\_total

> chi2(1) = 0.69 Prob > chi2 = 0.4065

### . estat bgodfrey, lags (1 2 3)

Breusch-Godfrey LM test for autocorrelation

1ags ( <i>p</i> )	chi2	df	Prob > chi2
1	0.028	1	0.8666
2	0.593	2	0.7436
3	4.636	3	0.2005

**Figure 2.2.** Stata output for FDI gross inflows in agriculture, hunting, forestry and fishing sectors

Source Model Residual	55 10.0589295 9.54148011	df 6 22	1.676 .4337	MS 48825 03642		Number of obs F( 6, 22) Prob > F R-squared	
Total	19.6004096	28	.7000	14628		Root MSE	= 0.3804 = .65856
fdi_agric	Coef.	Std.	Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf.	Interval]
lagfdi_agric labor_rigid openness ln_exch_rate ln_minwager dif_CTR _CONS	. 3863355 . 3646227 . 0591884 . 022975 . 9096482 0990128 -3. 573144	.1907 .8082 .0316 .5974 2.982 .0659 14.78	511 648 443 442 005 908 015	2.03 0.45 1.87 0.04 0.31 -1.50 -0.24	0.055 0.656 0.075 0.970 0.763 0.148 0.811	009258 -1.311616 0064378 -1.216049 -5.274652 2358692 -34.22531	.7819289 2.040861 .1248146 1.261999 7.093949 .0378437 27.07902

. regress fdi\_agric lagfdi\_agric labor\_rigid openness ln\_exch\_rate ln\_minwager dif\_CTR

. estat hettest

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Breusch-Pagan / Cook-Weisberg test for heteroskedasticity
Ho: Constant variance
Variables: fitted values of fdi_agric
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chi2(1) = 0.10 Prob > chi2 = 0.7531

. estat bgodfrey, lags (1 2 3)

Breusch-Godfrey LM test for autocorrelation

1ags ( <i>p</i> )	chi2	df	Prob > chi2
1	5.575	1	0.0182
2	5.871	2	0.0531
3	5.890	3	0.1171

H0: no serial correlation

**Figure 2.3.** Stata output for FDI gross inflows in agriculture, hunting, forestry and fishing sectors (Corrected for serial correlation)

. newey fdi_a	agric lagfdi	_agric labo	r_rigid	openness	5 In_exch_rate	ln_minwager	dif_CTR, lag(3)
Regression wit maximum lag: 3	th Newey-West 3	standard er	rors	Nun F( Pro	mber of obs = 6, 22) = ob > F =	29 15.78 0.0000	
fdi_agric	coef.	Newey-West Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf.	Interval]	
lagfdi_agric labor_rigid openness ln_exch_rate ln_minwager dif_CTR _cons	. 3863355 . 3646227 . 0591884 . 022975 . 9096482 0990128 -3. 573144	.1700102 .6710701 .0225541 .6213815 2.213666 .0398483 10.64213	2.27 0.54 2.62 0.04 0.41 -2.48 -0.34	0.033 0.592 0.015 0.971 0.685 0.021 0.740	.0337559 -1.027091 .012414 -1.265691 -3.681214 1816532 -25.64356	.738915 1.756337 .1059628 1.311641 5.50051 0163724 18.49727	

**Figure 2.4.** Stata output for FDI gross inflows in mining and quarrying activities

Source	SS	df	MS		Number of obs = $5(6, 22) = 3$	= 29 = 3,53
Model Residual	25.7533577 26.7229287	64 221	.29222628 Prob > F .21467858 R-squared		Prob > F R-squared	= 0.0133 = 0.4908 = 0.3519
Total	52.4762864	28 1	. 87415309		Root MSE	= 1.1021
fdi_mining	Coef.	Std. Er	r. t	P> t	[95% Conf.	Interval]
lagfdi_min~g labor_rigid openness ln_exch_rate ln_minwager dif_CTR _cons	.464385 7934903 .0809957 -1.15917 -3.584905 0591856 15.41033	.181707 1.33725 .055237 1.10812 4.98541 .099240 23.9530	8       2.56         7       -0.59         9       1.47         1       -1.05         7       -0.72         9       0.60         9       0.64	0.018 0.559 0.157 0.307 0.480 0.557 0.527	.0875461 -3.566791 0335606 -3.457273 -13.92403 2649972 -34.26534	.8412238 1.979811 .1955521 1.138933 6.754218 .1466261 65.086

### . regress fdi\_mining lagfdi\_mining labor\_rigid openness ln\_exch\_rate ln\_minwager dif\_CTR

#### . estat hettest

Breusch-Pagan / Cook-Weisberg test for heteroskedasticity Ho: Constant variance Variables: fitted values of fdi\_mining

> chi2(1) = 0.12 Prob > chi2 = 0.7252

### . estat bgodfrey, lags (1 2 3)

Breusch-Godfrey LM test for autocorrelation

1ags ( <i>p</i> )	chi2	df	Prob > chi2
1	1.291	1	0.2559
2	1.376	2	0.5026
3	1.377	3	0.7109

. regress fd	i_manuf lagfd	li_manuf	labor_rigid	openness	ln_exch_rate	≥ 1n_minwager	dif_ctr
Source	SS	df	MS	Nu	mber of obs =	29 71 04	
Model Residual	71.8005552 3.70576495	61 22.	1.9667592 168443861	F( 6, 22) Prob > F R-squared Adi R-squared		0.0000 0.9509	
Total	75.5063201	28 2	. 69665429	Ro	ot MSE =	.41042	
fdi_manuf	Coef.	Std. Er	r. t	P> t	[95% Conf. I	interval]	
lagfdi_manuf labor_rigid openness ln_exch_rate ln_minwager dif_CTR _cons	.4415311 0294142 .0722416 1.641637 5.451395 0349317 -17.87986	.150856 .505674 .02093 .567848 2.30796 .039144 9.31479	55       2.93         8       -0.06         99       3.45         18       2.89         16       2.36         13       -0.89         12       -1.92	0.008 0.954 0.002 0.008 0.027 0.382 0.068	.1286739 -1.07812 .0288168 .4639909 .6649657 1161119 -37.19755	.7543883 1.019291 .1156664 2.819284 10.23782 .0462486 1.437839	

Figure 2.5. Stata output for FDI gross inflows in manufacturing activities

#### . estat hettest

Breusch-Pagan / Cook-Weisberg test for heteroskedasticity Ho: Constant variance Variables: fitted values of fdi\_manuf

> chi2(1) = 1.01 Prob > chi2 = 0.3152

### . estat bgodfrey, lags (1 2 3)

Breusch-Godfrey LM test for autocorrelation

1ags ( <i>p</i> )	chi2	df	Prob > chi2
1	0.208	1	0.6484
2	0.432	2	0.8059
3	1.348	3	0.7178

## Figure 2.6. Stata output for FDI gross inflows in the construction sector

Source Model Residual	SS 80.0218049 7.5149243	df 6 13 22 .3	MS 3.3369675 41587468		Number of obs F( 6, 22) Prob > F R-squared	$\begin{array}{rcrr} = & 29 \\ = & 39.04 \\ = & 0.0000 \\ = & 0.9142 \\ = & 0.8907 \end{array}$
Total	87.5367292	28 3.	12631176		Root MSE	= .58445
fdi_const	Coef.	Std. Err	. t	P> t	[95% Conf.	Interval]
lagfdi_const labor_rigid openness ln_exch_rate ln_minwager dif_CTR _cons	.5785583 2547591 .0309435 1.147728 .4603512 1774446 1.829284	.1289918 .7431207 .0283358 .5910064 2.590324 .0649866 12.56751	4.49 -0.34 1.09 1.94 0.18 -2.73 0.15	0.000 0.735 0.287 0.065 0.861 0.012 0.886	.3110456 -1.795897 0278213 0779441 -4.911652 3122187 -24.23413	.846071 1.286379 .0897083 2.3734 5.832354 0426706 27.8927

. regress fdi\_const lagfdi\_const labor\_rigid openness ln\_exch\_rate ln\_minwager dif\_CTR

#### . estat hettest

Breusch-Pagan / Cook-Weisberg test for heteroskedasticity Ho: Constant variance Variables: fitted values of fdi\_const

> chi2(1) = 0.94 Prob > chi2 = 0.3317

. estat bgodfrey, lags (1 2 3)

Breusch-Godfrey LM test for autocorrelation

lags ( <i>p</i> )	chi2	df	Prob > chi2
1	0.378	1	0.5386
2	0.816	2	0.6650
3	4.041	3	0.2570

Source Model Residual	55 72.4365075 30.1965894	df 6 12.0 14 2.15	MS 0727512 0689924		Number of obs F( 6, 14) Prob > F R-squared Adj R-squared	= 21 = 5.60 = 0.0038 = 0.7058 = 0.5797
Total	102.633097	20 5.13	165484		Root MSE	= 1.4686
fdi_elect	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf.	Interval]
lagfdi_elect labor_rigid openness ln_exch_rate ln_minwager dif_CTR _Cons	0221987 -4.685287 .0256304 4.711359 8.025293 0790327 -5.596886	.259231 5.377061 .0892424 3.655401 27.12765 .2560648 121.3076	-0.09 -0.87 0.29 1.29 0.30 -0.31 -0.05	0.933 0.398 0.778 0.218 0.772 0.762 0.964	5781939 -16.21794 1657754 -3.128696 -50.15774 6282371 -265.7759	.5337965 6.847362 .2170362 12.55141 66.20832 .4701717 254.5821

Figure 2.7. Stata output for FDI gross inflows in the utilities sector

. regress fdi\_elect lagfdi\_elect labor\_rigid openness ln\_exch\_rate ln\_minwager dif\_CTR

#### . estat hettest

Breusch-Pagan / Cook-Weisberg test for heteroskedasticity Ho: Constant variance Variables: fitted values of fdi\_elect

> chi2(1) = 0.03 Prob > chi2 = 0.8653

### . estat bgodfrey, lags (1 2 3)

Breusch-Godfrey LM test for autocorrelation

lags ( <i>p</i> )	chi2	df	Prob > chi2
1	0.517	1	0.4719
2	2.412	2	0.2994
3	3.124	3	0.3730

**Figure 2.8.** Stata output for FDI gross inflows in the sector of wholesale and retail trade, accommodation and food services activities.

Source	SS	df		MS		Number of obs	=	29 64 41
Model Residual	91.7974854 5.22559226	6 22	15.2 .237	995809 526921		Prob > F R-squared	=	0.0000
Total	97.0230777	28	3.46	510992		Root MSE	=	.48737
fdi_retail	Coef.	Std.	Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf.	In	terval]
lagfdi_ret~l labor_rigid openness ln_exch_rate ln_minwager dif_CTR _CONS	.5748304 5194809 .050558 .967838 4.058375 0278543 -11.30378	.1480 .6243 .0257 .5872 2.490 .0449 10.65	181 752 216 254 254 254 845 807	3.88 -0.83 1.97 1.65 1.63 -0.62 -1.06	0.001 0.414 0.062 0.114 0.117 0.542 0.300	.2678596 -1.814356 0027852 249993 -1.106096 1211466 -33.40727	2 9	8818011 7753941 1039013 .185669 .222846 0654379 0.79971

. regress fdi\_retail lagfdi\_retail labor\_rigid openness ln\_exch\_rate ln\_minwager dif\_CTR

. estat hettest

Breusch-Pagan / Cook-weisberg test for heteroskedasticity Ho: Constant variance Variables: fitted values of fdi\_retail

> chi2(1) = 1.51 Prob > chi2 = 0.2198

. estat bgodfrey, lags (1 2 3)

Breusch-Godfrey LM test for autocorrelation

1ags ( <i>p</i> )	chi2	df	Prob > chi2
1	0.020	1	0.8880
2	0.092	2	0.9550
3	7.621	3	0.0545

# **Figure 2.9.** Stata output for FDI gross inflows in the transport and communication sector

Source Model Residual	SS 125.495638 17.5111457	df 6 22	20.9 .795	M5 159397 961169		Number of obs F( 6, 22) Prob > F R-squared Adj R-squared		29 26.28 0.0000 0.8776 0.8442
Total	143.006784	28	5.10	738514		Root MSE	=	. 89217
fdi_transp	Coef.	Std.	Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf.	In	terval]
lagfdi_tra~p labor_rigid openness ln_exch_rate ln_minwager dif_CTR _cons	.1118938 -2.362666 .0842512 2.939023 4.196608 1033709 -3.104844	.2008 1.128 .0459 1.103 4.496 .079 19.72	786 688 599 775 931 832 171	0.56 -2.09 1.83 2.66 0.93 -1.29 -0.16	0.583 0.048 0.080 0.014 0.361 0.209 0.876	3047029 -4.703423 0110637 .6499335 -5.129456 2689323 -44.00517	 5 1	5284905 0219096 1795662 .228113 3.52267 0621904 7.79548

### . regress fdi\_transp lagfdi\_transp labor\_rigid openness ln\_exch\_rate ln\_minwager dif\_CTR

#### . estat hettest

Breusch-Pagan / Cook-Weisberg test for heteroskedasticity Ho: Constant variance Variables: fitted values of fdi\_transp

> chi2(1) = 1.32 Prob > chi2 = 0.2512

### . estat bgodfrey, lags (1 2 3)

Breusch-Godfrey LM test for autocorrelation

lags(p)	chi2	df	Prob > chi2
1	0.183	1	0.6689
2	0.919	2	0.6316
3	2.164	3	0.5391

### Figure 2.10. Stata output for FDI gross inflows in the financial sector

Source Model Residual	55.1293789 10.0424355	df 6 22	9.18 .456	M5 822981 474341		Number of obs F( 6, 22) Prob > F R-squared	= = =	29 20.13 0.0000 0.8459 0.8030
Total	65.1718144	28	2.3	275648		Root MSE	=	. 67 563
fdi_financ	Coef.	std.	Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf.	In	terval]
lagfdi_fin~c labor_rigid openness ln_exch_rate ln_minwager dif_CTR cons	.4860495 484502 .0739892 .9476532 .7735054 0839984 .4048121	.1593 .8649 .0326 .7212 3.003 .0658 14.54	208 114 746 299 898 214 535	3.05 -0.56 2.26 1.31 0.26 -1.28 0.03	0.006 0.581 0.034 0.202 0.799 0.215 0.978	.1556384 -2.278218 .0062263 548086 -5.456198 2205036 -29.7604	1 2 7 3	8164606 . 309214 1417521 . 443392 . 003209 0525069 0. 57003

. regress fdi\_financ lagfdi\_financ labor\_rigid openness ln\_exch\_rate ln\_minwager dif\_CTR

#### . estat hettest

Breusch-Pagan / Cook-weisberg test for heteroskedasticity Ho: Constant variance Variables: fitted values of fdi\_financ

> chi2(1) = 0.59 Prob > chi2 = 0.4417

### . estat bgodfrey, lags (1 2 3)

Breusch-Godfrey LM test for autocorrelation

1ags ( <i>p</i> )	chi2	df	Prob > chi2
1	3.379	1	0.0660
2	4.740	2	0.0935
3	4.742	3	0.1917

H0: no serial correlation

# **Figure 2.11.** Stata output for FDI gross inflows in the financial sector (corrected for serial correlation)

. newey fdi_f	financ lagfd	i_financ la	abor_rigid	openness	In_exch_ra	te 1n_minwager	dif_CTR, la	<b>g(</b> 3)
Regression wit maximum lag: 3	th Newey-West 3	standard er	rors	Numbe F( 6 Prob	r of obs = , 22) = > F =	29 75.07 0.0000		
fdi_financ	Coef.	Newey-West Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf.	Interval]		
lagfdi_fin~c labor_rigid openness ln_exch_rate ln_minwager dif_CTR _cons	. 4860495 484502 . 0739892 . 9476532 . 7735054 0839984 . 4048121	.1989973 .6245191 .0243468 .6213949 2.105489 .045677 9.085954	2.44 -0.78 3.04 1.53 0.37 -1.84 0.04	0.023 0.446 0.006 0.141 0.717 0.079 0.965	.0733543 -1.779675 .0234969 3410409 -3.593011 1787267 -18.4383	. 8987447 . 8106712 . 1244814 2. 236347 5. 140022 . 01073 19. 24793		

# **Figure 2.12.** Stata output for FDI gross inflows in real estate activities and businesses to firms sector

Source Model Residual	SS 105.018967 6.98776662	df 6 22	17.5 .317	M5 031612 625756		Number of obs F( 6, 22) Prob > F R-squared	$\begin{array}{rcrr} = & 29 \\ = & 55.11 \\ = & 0.0000 \\ = & 0.9376 \\ = & 0.9206 \end{array}$
Total	112.006734	28	4.00	024048		Root MSE	= .56358
fdi_firmss~v	Coef.	Std.	Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf.	Interval]
lagfdi_fir~v labor_rigid openness ln_exch_rate ln_minwager dif_CTR _cons	.6362211 .9406988 .0534094 1.726901 5.22184 0763712 -21.89412	.1566 .7133 .0282 .7969 2.646 .0649 11.97	084 091 573 389 602 984 245	4.06 1.32 1.89 2.17 1.97 -1.17 -1.83	0.001 0.201 0.072 0.041 0.061 0.253 0.081	.3114351 5386138 0051926 .0741512 2668763 2111697 -46.72345	.9610071 2.420011 .1120115 3.379651 10.71056 .0584273 2.935216

### . regress fdi\_firmsserv lagfdi\_firmsserv labor\_rigid openness ln\_exch\_rate ln\_minwager dif\_CTR

#### . estat hettest

Breusch-Pagan / Cook-Weisberg test for heteroskedasticity Ho: Constant variance Variables: fitted values of fdi\_firmsserv

> chi2(1) = 0.29 Prob > chi2 = 0.5875

### . estat bgodfrey, lags (1 2 3)

Breusch-Godfrey LM test for autocorrelation

1ags ( <i>p</i> )	chi2	df	Prob > chi2
1	0.206	1	0. 6497
2	1.633	2	0. 4420
3	3.161	3	0. 3675

### Figure 2.13. Stata output for total FDI gross inflows, with dummy EEC

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Source	55	df	MS		Number of obs	= 29 - 71 43
Model Residual	77.1784895 3.24153463	7 11 21 .1	. 0254985 54358792		Prob > F R-squared	= 0.0000 = 0.9597 = 0.9463
Total	80.4200241	28 2.	87214372		Root MSE	= .39289
fdi_total	Coef.	Std. Err	. t	P> t	[95% Conf.	Interval]
lagfdi_total openness dif_CTR ln_exch_rate labor_rigid ln_minwager EEC _cons	.5442251 .0653865 0468428 1.200861 0971522 3.580173 .1020889 -10.95028	.1383119 .0203158 .0568478 .6970915 .5138577 2.00956 .4048606 8.438298	3.93 3.22 -0.82 1.72 -0.19 1.78 0.25 -1.30	0.001 0.004 0.419 0.100 0.852 0.089 0.803 0.208	.2565899 .0231375 1650642 2488204 -1.165778 5989356 7398647 -28.49868	.8318604 .1076354 .0713786 2.650542 .9714733 7.759281 .9440425 6.598126

### . regress fdi\_total lagfdi\_total openness dif\_CTR ln\_exch\_rate labor\_rigid ln\_minwager EEC

### . estat bgodfrey, lags(1 2 3)

Breusch-Godfrey LM test for autocorrelation

lags ( <i>p</i> )	chi2	df	Prob > chi2
1	0.045	1	0.8314
2	0.577	2	0.7493
3	4.749	3	0.1912

HO: no serial correlation

### . estat hettest

Breusch-Pagan / Cook-Weisberg test for heteroskedasticity Ho: Constant variance Variables: fitted values of fdi\_total

> chi2(1) = 0.60 Prob > chi2 = 0.4380

Source Model Residual	55 77.1889805 3.23104361	df 7 11.0 21 .15	M5 269972 385922		Number of obs F( 7, 21) Prob > F R-squared	$\begin{array}{rcrr} = & 29 \\ = & 71.67 \\ = & 0.0000 \\ = & 0.9598 \\ = & 0.9464 \end{array}$
Total	80.4200241	28 2.87	214372		Root MSE	= .39225
fdi_total	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf.	Interval]
lagfdi_total dif_CTR labor_rigid openness ln_minwager ln_exch_rate eur _cons	.5653833 0508539 0873226 .0668704 3.912333 1.301072 1244432 -12.45262	.1559371 .0432286 .5132414 .0210624 2.111956 .5221463 .3425495 9.536374	3.63 -1.18 -0.17 3.17 1.85 2.49 -0.36 -1.31	0.002 0.253 0.867 0.005 0.078 0.021 0.720 0.206	.2410943 1407526 -1.154667 .0230687 4797199 .2152095 8368139 -32.28459	.8896722 .0390447 .9800212 .110672 8.304385 2.386935 .5879276 7.379357

. regress fdi\_total lagfdi\_total dif\_CTR labor\_rigid openness ln\_minwager ln\_exc

Figure 2.14. Stata output for total FDI gross inflows, with dummy euro

### . estat hettest

> h\_rate eur

Breusch-Pagan / Cook-Weisberg test for heteroskedasticity Ho: Constant variance Variables: fitted values of fdi\_total

> chi2(1) = 0.57 Prob > chi2 = 0.4485

### . estat bgodfrey, lags(1 2 3 )

Breusch-Godfrey LM test for autocorrelation

lags(p)	chi2	df	Prob > chi2
1	0.001	1	0.9695
2	0.806	2	0.6683
3	4.919	3	0.1778

**Figure 2.15.** Stata output for FDI gross inflows in agriculture, hunting, forestry and fishing sectors – reduced model

Source Model Residual Total	SS 9.94932166 9.65108793 19.6004096	df 3 25 28	3.31 .386 .700	M5 644055 043517 014628		Number of obs F( 3, 25) Prob > F R-squared Adj R-squared Root MSE		29 8.59 0.0004 0.5076 0.4485 .62132
fdi_agric	Coef.	Std.	Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf.	In	terval]
lagfdi_agric dif_CTR openness _cons	.3592946 0986273 .0516598 1.952168	.1720 .0579 .0253 2.090	161 155 878 559	2.09 -1.70 2.03 0.93	0.047 0.101 0.053 0.359	.0050209 2179064 0006274 -2.353418	- - 6	7135683 0206519 1039471 5.257755

### . regress fdi\_agric lagfdi\_agric dif\_CTR openness

### . estat hettest

Breusch-Pagan / Cook-Weisberg test for heteroskedasticity Ho: Constant variance Variables: fitted values of fdi\_agric

> chi2(1) = 0.15 Prob > chi2 = 0.7018

### . estat bgodfrey, lags(1 2 3)

Breusch-Godfrey LM test for autocorrelation

lags ( <i>p</i> )	chi2	df	Prob > chi2
1	4.133	1	0.0421
2	4.256	2	0.1191
3	4.586	3	0.2048

H0: no serial correlation

#### . ovtest

Ramsey RESET test using powers of the fitted values of fdi\_agric Ho: model has no omitted variables F(3, 22) = 0.66Prob > F = 0.5845 **Figure 2.16.** Stata output for FDI gross inflows in agriculture, hunting, forestry and fishing sectors – reduced model (Corrected for serial correlation)

. newey fdi_a	gric lagfdi_a	gric dif_CTR	openness	s, 1ag(2)	)	
Regression with Newey-West standard errors maximum lag: <b>2</b>				Num F( Pro	ıber of obs = 3, 25) = ıb > F =	= 29 = 23.95 = 0.0000
fdi_agric	Coef.	Newey-West Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf.	Interval]
lagfdi_agric dif_CTR openness _cons	.3592946 0986273 .0516598 1.952168	.154561 .0263455 .0189334 1.186849	2.32 -3.74 2.73 1.64	0.029 0.001 0.011 0.113	.0409702 1528867 .0126657 4921927	.677619 0443678 .0906539 4.396529

# **Figure 2.17**. Stata output for FDI gross inflows in manufacturing activities – reduced model

<b>-</b>						
Source	55	df	MS		Number of obs	= 29 - 81.08
Model Residual	72.2738024 3.23251772	6 22	12.0456337 .146932624		Prob > F R-squared	= 0.0000 = 0.9572 = 0.9455
Total	75.5063201	28	2.69665429		Root MSE	= .38332
fdi_manuf	Coef.	Std. E	rr. t	P> t	[95% Conf.	Interval]
lagfdi_manuf ln_exch_rate dif_CTR openness gdp_indus ln_minwager _cons	.4987991 1.652944 0556591 .073122 9.595835 5.789722 -22.63399	.137779 .52888 .03832 .019220 5.3436 1.97950 6.9174	99         3.62           71         3.13           22         -1.45           52         3.80           31         1.80           01         2.92           43         -3.27	0.002 0.005 0.161 0.001 0.086 0.008 0.003	.213061 .5560996 1351345 .0332492 -1.486178 1.684489 -36.97987	.7845372 2.749789 .0238162 .1129948 20.67785 9.894955 -8.288123

. regress fdi\_manuf lagfdi\_manuf ln\_exch\_rate dif\_CTR openness gdp\_indus ln\_minwager

### . estat hettest

Breusch-Pagan / Cook-Weisberg test for heteroskedasticity Ho: Constant variance Variables: fitted values of fdi\_manuf

> chi2(1) = 1.57 Prob > chi2 = 0.2106

### . estat bgodfrey, lag(1 2 3)

Breusch-Godfrey LM test for autocorrelation

1ags ( <i>p</i> )	chi2	df	Prob > chi2
1	0.523	1	0.4694
2	2.858	2	0.2395
3	4.652	3	0.1991

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. ovtest
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Ramsey RESET test using powers of the fitted values of fdi_manuf
Ho: model has no omitted variables
                          F(3, 18) = 1.86
Prob > F = 0.172
                                                  0.1726
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Figure 2.18. Stata output for FDI gross inflows in manufacturing activities reduced model (with robust standard errors)

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. regress fdi_manuf lagfdi_manuf ln_exch_rate dif_CTR openness gdp_indus ln_minwager, vce(hc2)
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Linear regres	sion				Number of obs F( 6, 22) Prob > F R-squared Root MSE	= 29 = 173.21 = 0.0000 = 0.9572 = .38332
fdi_manuf	Coef.	Robust HC2 Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf.	Interval]
lagfdi_manuf ln_exch_rate	.4987991 1.652944	.1682835	2.96 2.81	0.007 0.010	.1498004	.8477977 2.870794

lagfdi_manuf	.4987991	.1682835	2.96	0.007	.1498004	.8477977
ln_exch_rate	1.652944	. 5872342	2.81	0.010	.4350952	2.870794
dif_CTR	0556591	.0231019	-2.41	0.025	1035696	0077486
openness	.073122	.0193933	3.77	0.001	.0329028	.1133412
gdp_indus	9. 595835	4.360271	2.20	0.039	. 5531861	18.63848
ln_minwager	5.789722	2.786209	2.08	0.050	.0114773	11.56797
_cons	-22.63399	10.23746	-2.21	0.038	-43.8652	-1.402793

Figure 2.19. Stata output for FDI gross inflows in utilities – reduced model

Source	SS	df		MS		Number of obs	=	21
Model Residual	72.2790607 30.3540361	2 18	36.1 1.68	395304 633534		Prob > F R-squared	=	0.0000
Total	102.633097	20	5.13	165484		ROOT MSE	=	1.2986
fdi_elect	Coef.	Std.	Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf.	In	terval]
lagfdi_elect Ingdpcapr _cons	14861 15.86806 4.234598	.2491 4.295 1.073	122 315 382	-0.60 3.69 3.95	0.558 0.002 0.001	6719753 6.843936 1.979505	2	3747553 4.89218 .489691

### . regress fdi\_elect lagfdi\_elect lngdpcapr

#### . ovtest

Ramsey RESET test using powers of the fitted values of fdi\_elect Ho: model has no omitted variables F(3, 15) = 0.50 Prob > F = 0.6876

### . estat bgodfrey, lags(1 2 3)

Breusch-Godfrey LM test for autocorrelation

lags(p)	chi2	df	Prob > chi2
1	2.032	1	0.1540
2	2.047	2	0.3594
3	2.464	3	0.4818

HO: no serial correlation

#### . estat hettest

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Breusch-Pagan / Cook-Weisberg test for heteroskedasticity Ho: Constant variance Variables: fitted values of fdi\_elect

> chi2(1) = 2.24 Prob > chi2 = 0.1348

**Figure 2.20.** Stata output for FDI gross inflows in the construction sector – reduced model

Source Model Residual Total	55 79.3174017 8.21932747 87.5367292	df 3 26.4 25 .328 28 3.12	MS 391339 3773099 6631176		Number of obs F( 3, 25) Prob > F R-squared Adj R-squared Root MSE	= 29 = 80.42 = 0.0000 = 0.9061 = 0.8948 = .57339
fdi_const	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf.	Interval]
lagfdi_const dif_CTR ln_exch_rate _cons	.6709226 1762321 1.17538 3.763944	.0998765 .0631948 .5289735 1.077313	6.72 -2.79 2.22 3.49	0.000 0.010 0.036 0.002	.4652231 3063841 .0859383 1.545177	.8766221 04608 2.264821 5.98271

### . regress fdi\_const lagfdi\_const dif\_CTR ln\_exch\_rate

### . ovtest

Ramsey RESET test using powers of the fitted values of fdi\_const Ho: model has no omitted variables F(3, 22) = 0.77Prob > F = 0.5258

### . estat hettest

Breusch-Pagan / Cook-Weisberg test for heteroskedasticity Ho: Constant variance Variables: fitted values of fdi\_const

> chi2(1) = 0.35 Prob > chi2 = 0.5552

### . estat bgodfrey, lags(1 2 3)

Breusch-Godfrey LM test for autocorrelation

lags ( <i>p</i> )	chi2	df	Prob > chi2
1	0.068	1	0.7950
2	0.119	2	0.9424
3	2.315	3	0.5096

**Figure 2.21.** Stata output for FDI gross inflows in the sector of wholesale and retail trade, accommodation and food services activities – reduced model

Source Model Residual Total	55 92.1355246 4.88755311 97.0230777	df 3 25 28	M5 30.7118415 .195502125 3.46510992		Number of obs F( 3, 25) Prob > F R-squared Adj R-squared Root MSE	= = = =	29 157.09 0.0000 0.9496 0.9436 .44216
fdi_retail	Coef.	Std. E	irr. t	P> t	[95% Conf.	In	terval]
lagfdi_ret~l lngdpcapr openness _cons	.5573804 2.575067 .0413168 2.080972	.12644 .85856 .02220 1.504	764.415583.00331.86471.38	0.000 0.006 0.075 0.179	.2969568 .8068177 0044118 -1.017541	4	.817804 .343316 0870455 .179485

### . regress fdi\_retail lagfdi\_retail lngdpcapr openness

### . ovtest

Ramsey RESET test using powers of the fitted values of fdi\_retail Ho: model has no omitted variables F(3, 22) = 1.97 Prob > F = 0.1476

### . estat hettest

Breusch-Pagan / Cook-Weisberg test for heteroskedasticity Ho: Constant variance Variables: fitted values of fdi\_retail

> chi2(1) = 0.72 Prob > chi2 = 0.3969

### . estat bgodfrey, lags(1 2 3)

Breusch-Godfrey LM test for autocorrelation

lags(p)	chi2	df	Prob > chi2
1	0.256	1	0. 6127
2	0.288	2	0. 8658
3	2.794	3	0. 4245

# **Figure 2.22.** Stata output for FDI gross inflows in the transport and communication sector – reduced model

. regress fdi_	transp lagfdi.	_transp	Ingdpcapr	opennes	s labor_rigid	ln_exch_rate
Source	SS	df	MS		Number of obs	= 29
Model Residual	126.003474 17.00331	52 23.	5.2006948 739274347		Prob > F R-squared	= 0.0000 = 0.8811 = 0.8553
Total	143.006784	28 5	.10738514		ROOT MSE	= .85981
fdi_transp	Coef.	Std. Er	r. t	P> t	[95% Conf.	Interval]
lagfdi_tra~p Ingdpcapr openness labor_rigid ln_exch_rate _cons	.0505584 3.606452 .0787748 -1.923545 1.413194 10.70578	.190492 1.84289 .042353 1.13417 .896351 5.91179	4 0.27 2 1.96 7 1.86 8 -1.70 6 1.58 4 1.81	0.793 0.063 0.076 0.100 0.129 0.083	3435051 2058605 0088406 -4. 26977 4410508 -1. 5237	.4446218 7.418764 .1663902 .4226806 3.267438 22.93526

### . estat hettest

Breusch-Pagan / Cook-Weisberg test for heteroskedasticity Ho: Constant variance Variables: fitted values of fdi\_transp

> chi2(1) = 0.66 Prob > chi2 = 0.4166

. estat bgodfrey, lag(1 2 3)

Breusch-Godfrey LM test for autocorrelation

lags ( <i>p</i> )	chi2	df	Prob > chi2
1	0.388	1	0.5332
2	0.646	2	0.7240
3	1.519	3	0.6778

**Figure 2.23.** Stata output for FDI gross inflows in the financial sector – reduced model

. regress fd	i_financ lagf	di_fina	anc openness	dif_ctr	ln_exch_rate	
Source	55	df	MS		Number of obs	= 29 - 31 11
Model Residual	54.6343969 10.5374175	4 24	13.6585992 .439059063		Prob > F R-squared	= 0.0000 = 0.8383 = 0.8114
Total	65.1718144	28	2.3275648		Root MSE	= .66262
fdi_financ	Coef.	Std. E	irr. t	P> t	[95% Conf.	Interval]
lagfdi_fin~c openness dif_CTR ln_exch_rate _cons	.5886742 .084943 0889286 .7617594 3468415	.12219 .02964 .06411 .63782 2.3500	0774.821432.87127-1.3912791.19074-0.15	0.000 0.009 0.178 0.244 0.884	.3364705 .0237602 2212508 5546526 -5.197157	.8408779 .1461258 .0433935 2.078171 4.503474

## . estat hettest

Breusch-Pagan / Cook-Weisberg test for heteroskedasticity Ho: Constant variance Variables: fitted values of fdi\_financ

> chi2(1) = 0.80 Prob > chi2 = 0.3696

### . estat bgodfrey, lags(1 2 3)

Breusch-Godfrey LM test for autocorrelation

1ags ( <i>p</i> )	chi2	df	Prob > chi2
1	5.350	1	0.0207
2	7.820	2	0.0200
3	7.989	3	0.0462

H0: no serial correlation

#### . ovtest

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Ramsey RESET test using powers of the fitted values of fdi\_financ Ho: model has no omitted variables F(3, 21) = 2.22 Prob > F = 0.1162
# **Figure 2.24.** Stata output for FDI gross inflows in the financial sector (corrected for serial correlation)– reduced model

. newey fdi_f	financ lagfd	i_financ ope	nness dif	F_CTR 1	n_exch_rate ,	1ag(2)		
Regression with Newey-West standard errors maximum lag: <b>2</b>					Number of obs $=$ 29F(4, 24) $=$ 108.92Prob > F $=$ 0.0000			
fdi_financ	Coef.	Newey-West Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% conf.	Interval]		
lagfdi_fin~c openness dif_CTR ln_exch_rate _cons	.5886742 .084943 0889286 .7617594 3468415	.1258296 .02293 .0451058 .4380128 1.624991	4.68 3.70 -1.97 1.74 -0.21	0.000 0.001 0.060 0.095 0.833	. 3289746 . 0376178 1820225 1422547 -3. 700658	.8483737 .1322682 .0041652 1.665773 3.006975		

**Figure 2.25.** Stata output for FDI gross inflows in real estate activities and businesses to firms sector – reduced model

Source	55	df		MS		Number of obs	=	29 75 34
Model Residual	105.56178 6.44495372	5 23	21. .280	112356 215379		Prob > F R-squared	=	0.0000
Total	112.006734	28	4.00	024048		ROOT MSE	=	. 52935
fdi_firmss~v	Coef.	Std.	Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf.	In	terval]
lagfdi_fir~v openness lngdpcapr dif_CTR ln_exch_rate _cons	.3060534 .0448891 3.34242 0783745 1.07723 4.9349	.18 .025 1.318 .0592 .5888 2.228	724 919 891 954 012 645	1.63 1.73 2.53 -1.32 1.83 2.21	0.116 0.097 0.019 0.099 0.080 0.037	081282 0087285 .6140858 2010364 1407985 .3245974	6 2 9	6933889 0985067 .070755 0442875 .295258 .545203

. regress	fdi_firmsserv	lagfdi_firmsserv	openness	Ingdpcapr	dif_CTR	ln_exch_rate
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#### . estat bgodfrey, lags(1 2 3)

Breusch-Godfrey LM test for autocorrelation

1ags ( <i>p</i> )	chi2	df	Prob > chi2
1	0.585	1	0.4445
2	0.640	2	0.7263
3	0.864	3	0.8342

H0: no serial correlation

#### . estat hettest

Breusch-Pagan / Cook-Weisberg test for heteroskedasticity Ho: Constant variance Variables: fitted values of fdi\_firmsserv

chi2(1)	=	0.76
Prob > chi2	=	0.3827

#### . ovtest

Ramsey RESET test using powers of the fitted values of fdi\_firmsserv Ho: model has no omitted variables F(3, 20) = 0.76 Prob > F = 0.5273

## Annex 3

Figure 3.1. Total trade barriers (tariff and non-tariff) in comparison



1. EU14 is EU15 minus Luxembourg.

2. OECD does not include Korea, Luxembourg and the Slovak Republic.

Source: OECD, 2008



Figure 3.2. Trade weighted tariffs for manufacturing in the EU, 2004

 Weighted average tariff rates with weights given by import values in each industrial sector from the STAN database.

Source: OECD, 2008



Figure 3.3. Customs and document costs of importing a container, 2007

1. Costs refer to importing a 20-foot container.

Source: OECD, 2008



Figure 3.4. Port and terminal handling charges associated with importing a container, 2007

1. Charges refer to importing a 20-foot container.

Source: OECD, 2008

### Figure 3.5. Clusters in Portugal



Source: Michael Porter, 1998