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Promoting Structural Transformation through Industrialization

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What is Structural Transformation?

Structural transformation is the change in the long-term composition and distribution of economic activities. The growth of a country's economy is at the core of the matter as it corresponds to a transition from lower to higher productivity sectors

Long-run trends show positive association with economic development



Structural Transformation Approaches

First approach

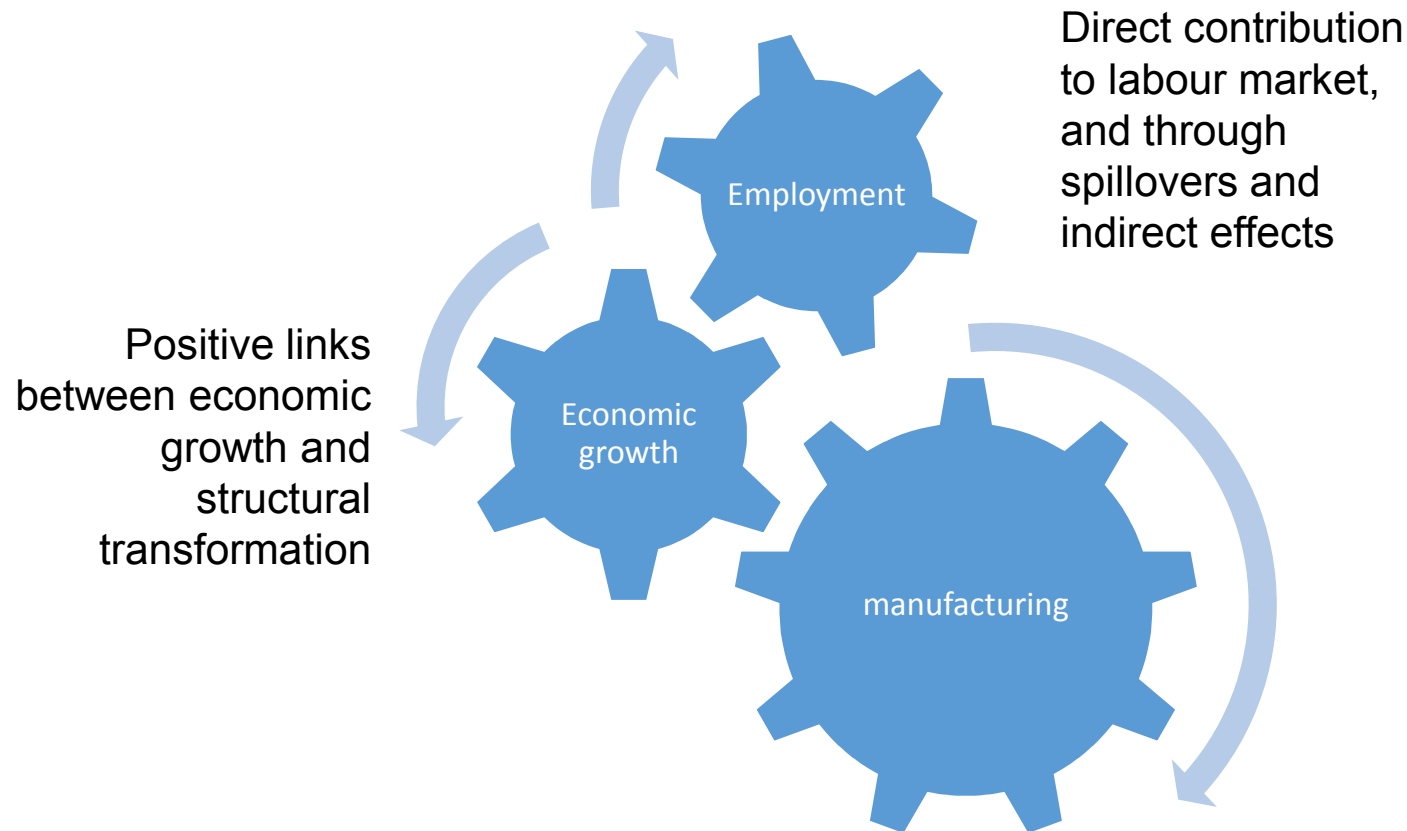
- Changing importance of economic sectors
- Changing contribution of major sectors to GDP/income

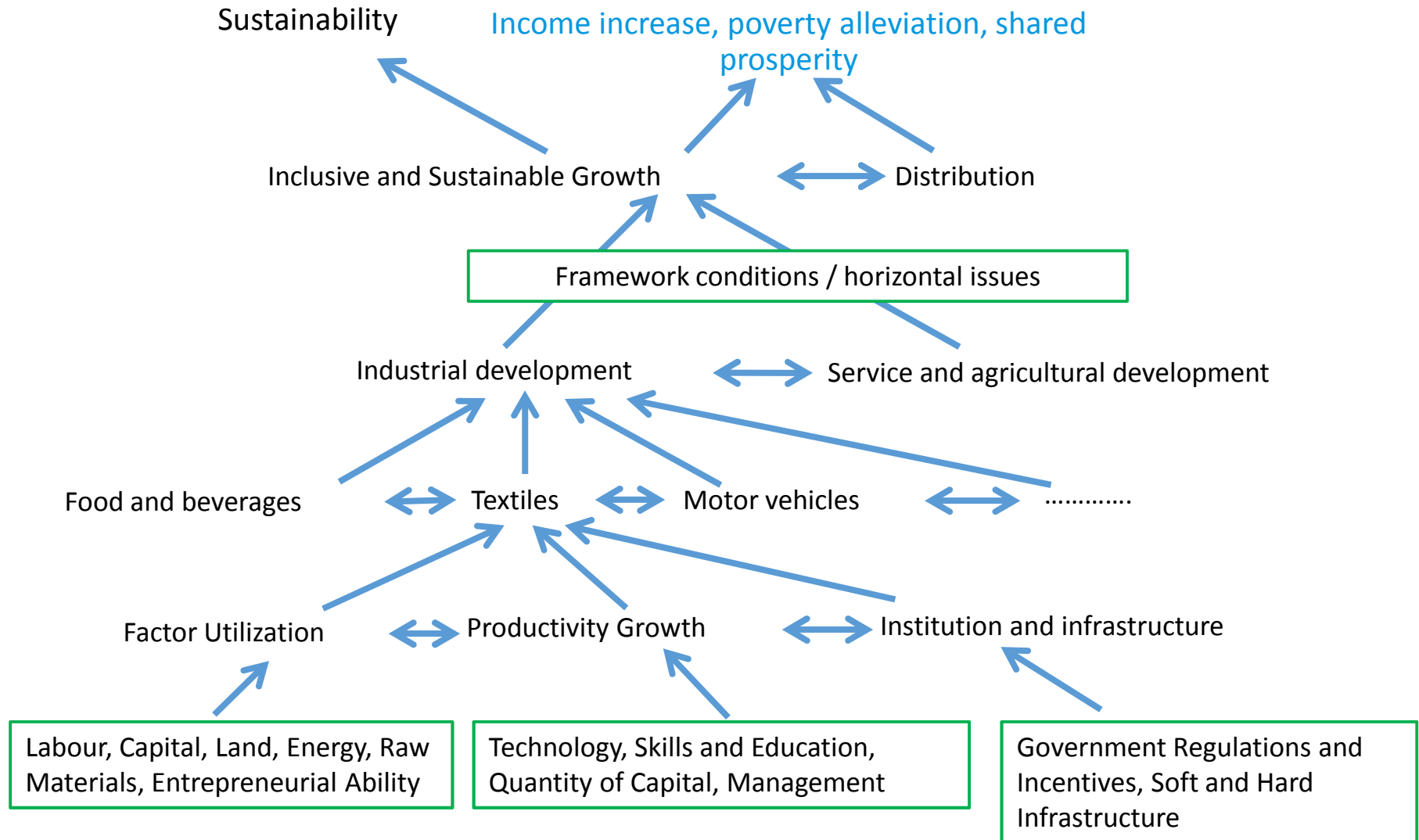
Second approach

- Manufacturing is the main engine of economic growth/productivity growth
- Focus on spillover effects



Structural Transformation & Impact Pathways







Emerging Issues

- Digital development and trends – industry 4.0
 - Technological infrastructure
 - Digital skills
 - Security
 - Governance structures
- Environmentally sustainable
 - Green industries
 - circular business models
- Financing for development
- Cross sectoral policy making
- Private sector development