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The Euler Hermes Enabling Digitalization Index (EDI) measures the ability and agility - of countries to help digital companies thrive and traditional businesses harness the digital dividend. The EDI is made

A snapshot on a few rankings 1 USA

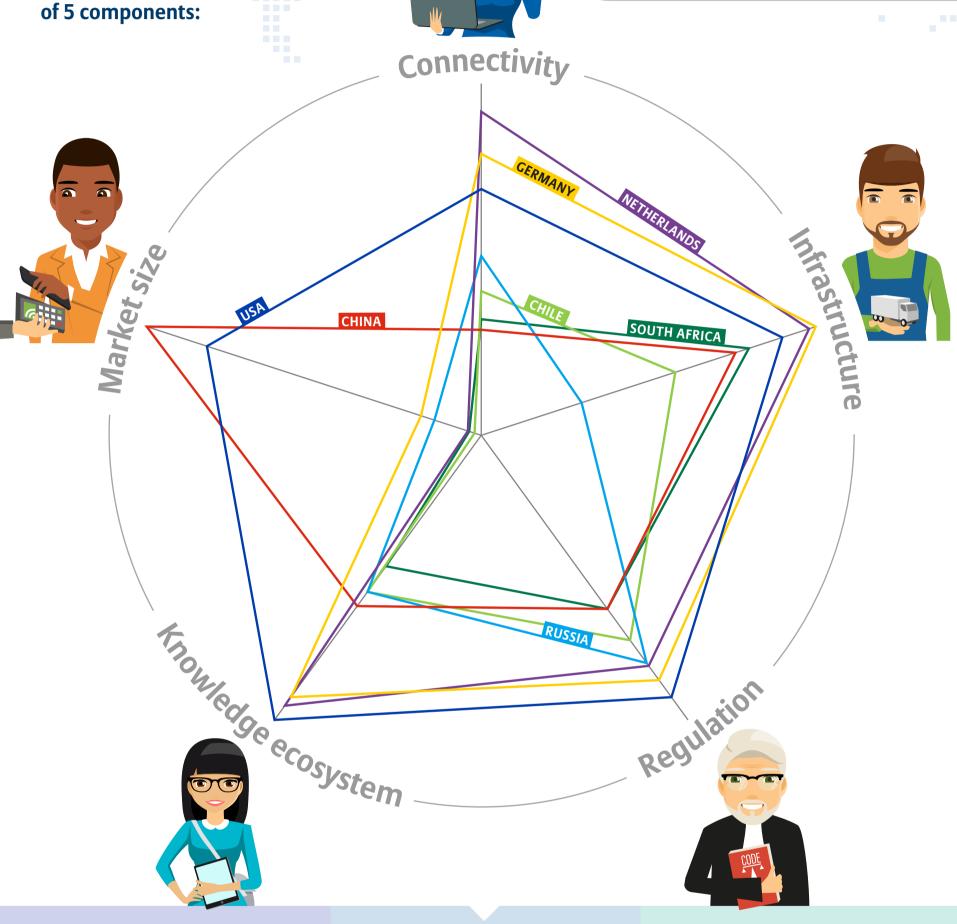
2 GERMANY

3 NETHERLANDS

17 CHINA 42 RUSSIA

43 CHILE

46 SOUTH AFRICA



16 countries out of the 30 top markets are from Western Europe:

- Germany (2nd) and the Netherlands (3rd) top the ranking for Western Europe, even if the U.S. leads by far at a global level.
- The region has a clear edge in terms of regulation, logistic infrastructure and knowledge ecosystem.

8 countries out of the 30 top markets are from **Asia-Pacific:**

- Japan (7th), Singapore (8th), Hong Kong (9th) and South Korea (10th) lead the pack.
- China (17th) exhibits a less balanced profile. Its market size and unequal geographical development explain a relatively weak average connectivity indicator. Yet, for the same reason and due to solid logistic infrastructure, China exhibits great potential.

Strong discrepancies

- Some bright spots emerge: the United Arab Emirates (24th), Israel (25th), Chile (43rd), South Africa (46th).
- Develop digital regulation, build human capital, use pivots, bank on smart logistics, and reduce digital inequalities are five options for countries to move up EDI rankings.

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