

# How Global industrialization has largely bypassed Africa

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In 1980–2009, the share of manufacturing value added to GDP increased marginally in North Africa from 12.6 to 13.6 per cent, but fell from 16.6 to 12.7 per cent in the rest of Africa.

### The Situation

In Central Africa, this share contracted by about 60 per cent in Chad and the Democratic Republic of Congo.

Imports of capital equipment and many intermediate goods are primarily destined for commodity extraction.

### Towards a solution

Design policies that improve access to credit, build infrastructure, and offer appropriate training.