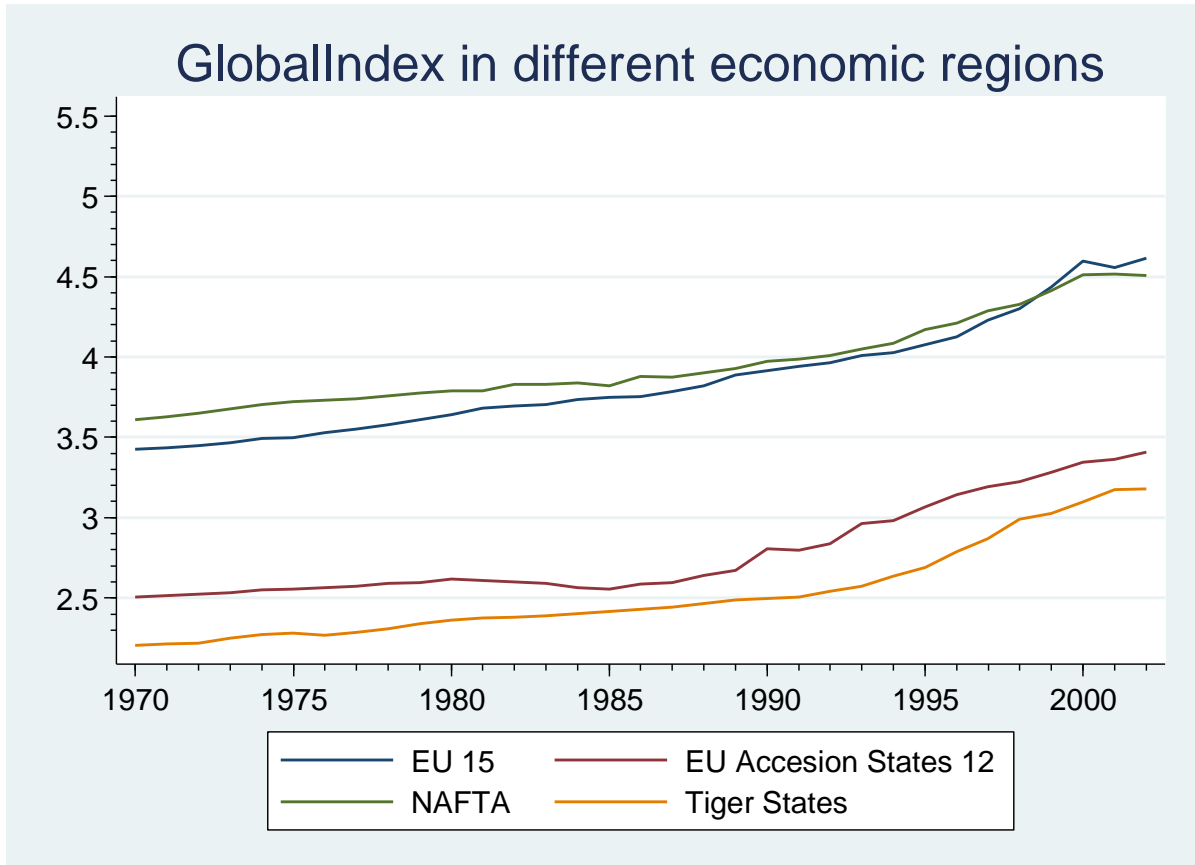
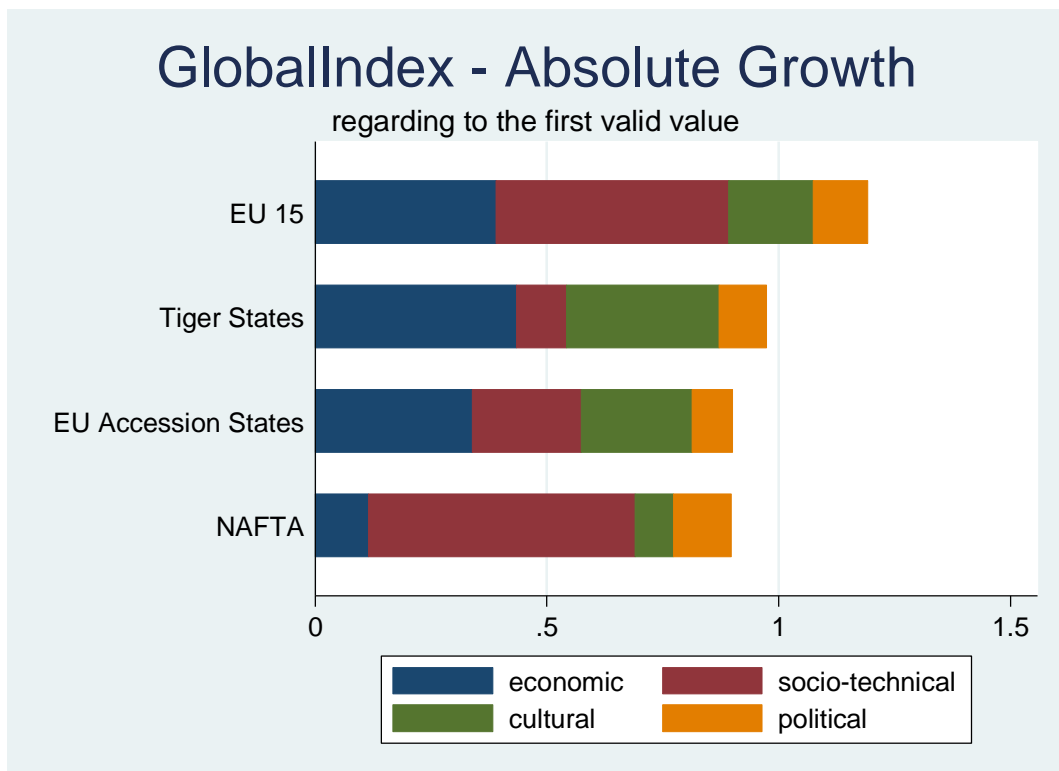
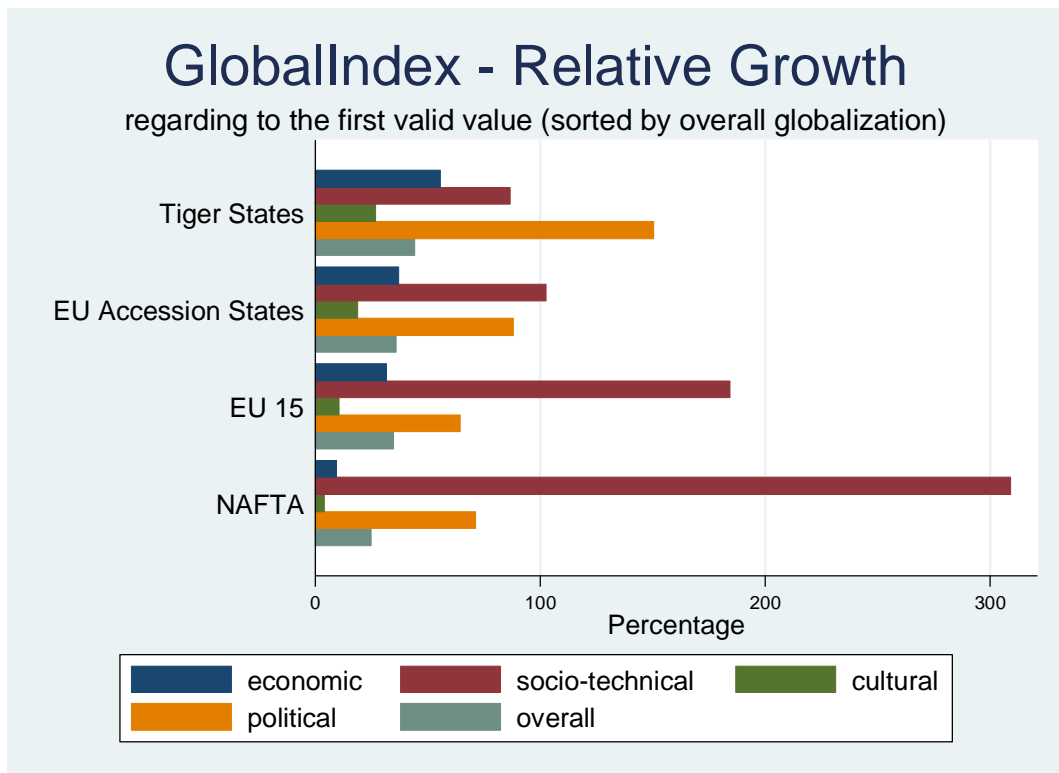


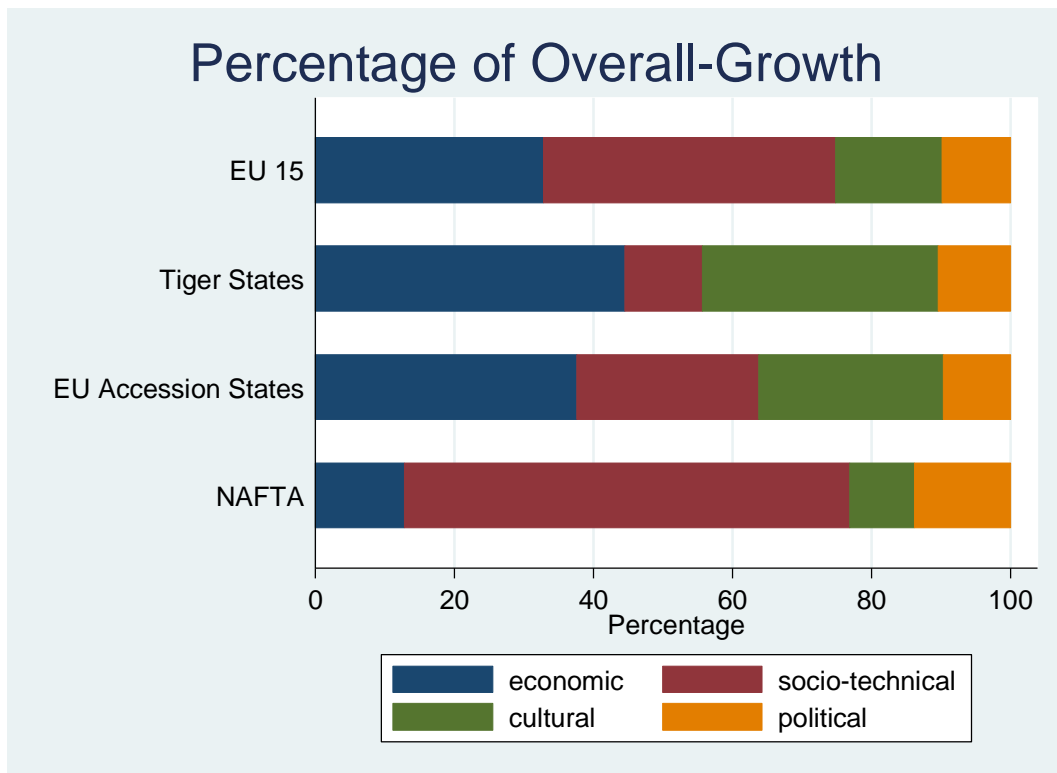
Rather Persisting Differences Instead of Homogenization



Relative vs. Absolute Growth



Contribution of different Dimensions



Notes on the Classification:

- EU 15: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom; *Luxembourg was excluded due to problems with missing values*
- EU Accession States: Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovak Republic, Slovenia (since we are concentrating on the Eastern European Countries, Malta and Cyprus were not considered here)
- NAFTA: Canada, Mexico, United States
- Tiger States: Hong Kong, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand

Annotation: *For the line and bar graphs each country was weighted by the size of its population*

Source: Marcel Raab, Michael Ruland, Benno Schönberger, Hans-Peter Blossfeld, and Dirk Hofäcker (2007), GlobalIndex – A Multidimensional Approach to Globalization Measurement, <http://www.transeurope-project.org>