Abstract

The dynamics of governance is one of the most active topics of debate in the GVC and global production network debate, yet attention on the subject of governance has been largely focused on TNCs, with less attention paid to the state and public governance aspects. In recent studies, the role of the state in GVC governance has received more attention, and following in-depth analyses some scholars have proposed three key governance functions: facilitative, regulatory and distributive. Against this background, this paper will analyze the history of the Czech automotive industry in the development of GVCs after 1990 and the role of the state in the automotive industry's participation in GVCs based on the theory of the three roles of the state in GVC governance: facilitator, regulator and distributor.

Keywords

National governance; global value chains; global production networks; Czech cars; political economy; privatisation