### GENERAL:

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### 1.1

1. Please mark the correct statement(s).
* *In a democracy, the government plays a limited role.*
* In a totalitarian system, the state has limited authority.
* In a socialist system, the individual is prioritized over the collective.
1. Please list three political risks.

*Trade barriers*

*Uncertain property rights leading to a government takeover of assets*

*Unexpected changes in taxation*

*Foreign investment laws.*

*Political instability*

*Corruption*

### 1.2

1. Please complete the following sentence.

Technological *innovations* are a key success factor for economic *growth***,** because they improve production *efficiency*.

1. Please mark the correct statement(s).
* Technology only encompasses physical objects (e.g., computers and machines).
* Technological innovations only have positive effects.
* *Processes are also considered technology.*

### 2.1

1. Which of the following is not a characteristic of globalization?
* increasing interconnectedness of economies
* cultural homogeneity
* *gain of national sovereignty*
1. Please mark the correct statement(s).
* During the nineteenth and twentieth century, the world has deglobalized.
* *Technological advances have promoted globalization.*
* Countries closing their national economies for trade advances globalization.

### 2.2

1. Please complete the following sentence.

A key opportunity of globalization is the *reduction* of poverty, while threats include the loss of national *sovereignty* and the risk of *contagion* in financial markets.

1. Which one of the following is not a threat of globalization?
* negative effects on the poor
* adverse consequences for the natural environment
* *a decrease in possibilities to communicate with individuals across borders*

### 2.3

1. Please mark the correct statement(s).
* Comparative advantages are firm specific.
* *Contemporary trade theories try to explain how nations can enhance their competitive advantage.*
* *Competitive advantages are firm specific.*

### 3.1

1. Please mark the correct statement(s).
* According to the principle of comparative advantage, a country should not trade with another country when it has an absolute cost advantage in all products.
* *A country currently developing a new product can obtain a temporary monopoly due to a technology gap between it and other countries.*
* Classical trade theories examine how firms can obtain a competitive advantage.
1. Please complete the following sentence.

The principle of comparative advantage suggests that the *relative* cost of production forms the basis of *trade* (and not the *absolute* production efficiency).

1. New trade theory assumes
* constant returns to scale
* *increasing returns to scale*
* diminishing returns to scale

### 3.2

1. Please mark the correct answer.
* International trade generally leads to political instability.
* *International trade generally leads to economic growth.*
* International trade generally only benefits exporting countries.
1. Please complete the following sentence.

International trade allows countries to produce and consume goods at *lower* prices, access a greater *variety* of goods, and advance international *political* stability.

### 3.3

1. Protectionism refers to
* national policies that protect the natural environment.
* corporate strategies to defend market share.
* *the economic policy of restricting a nation’s imports through government intervention.*
1. Please list four instruments a government can use as protectionist policies.

*Tariffs, quotas, local content requirements, import licenses, administrative rules or procedures, subsidies, exchange rate controls, and restrictions on foreign direct investments*

1. Please complete the following sentence.

Proponents of protectionism suggest that *protectionist* policies can be useful when the counterparty is not expected to *retaliate* or when such policies are adopted expressly to *retaliate* against protectionist measures of the counterparty.

### 4.1

1. Capital markets do not include which of the following markets?
* Stock markets
* *Commodity markets*
* *Derivatives markets*
1. Please list three participants in financial and capital markets.

*Firms, commercial banks, central banks, governments, institutional investors.*

### 4.2

1. Please mark the correct statement(s).
* Under fixed exchange rate regimes, exchange rates are determined by the market.
* Fixed exchange rate regimes are always better than floating exchange rate regimes.
* *Managed floats include elements of both fixed and floating exchange rate regimes.*
1. All other things being equal, if the demand for dollars increases under a flexible exchange rate regime, the value of the dollar against foreign currencies will…
* *appreciate.*
* depreciate.
* stay the same.

### 4.3

1. Please mark the correct statement(s).
* The purpose of hedging is speculation.
* *The purpose of a currency hedge is to manage foreign exchange risk.*
* *Call and put options can be used both for hedging and speculation purposes.*
1. Please complete the following sentences:

A *forward* contract is a non-standardized contractual agreement between two parties to exchange a pair of currencies at a specific time in the future at an agreed upon price. It is traded OTC, whereas a *future* has the same functionalities but is traded on an *exchange*.

### 5.1

1. Please mark the correct statement(s).
* The mission of the WTO is to advance regional economic integration.
* After the breakdown of the Bretton Woods system in the early 1970s, the IMF has no purpose.
* *The World Bank provides low-cost loans to developing countries.*
1. Please complete the following sentence.

The WTO, established in 1993, led to *reduced* tariffs, stronger monitoring and enforcement mechanisms in which *arbitration* decisions are automatically adopted by country members, and an extension of the GATT rules to the *services* sector.

### 5.2

1. Please mark the correct statement(s).
* The aim of regional economic integration is to secure an improved standard of living across nations globally.
* *Regional economic integration does not occur at once. Rather, it develops over time in different stages.*
* The WTO has succeeded in its aim to promote regional economic integration.
1. Please name three large trade blocs.

*RCEP, USMCA, European Union, MERCOSUR, ASEAN*

### 6.1

1. Please mark the correct statement(s).
* A trade war always leads to a physical armed conflict.
* Importing companies benefit from trade wars because it becomes cheaper for them to import goods.
* *Trade wars typically have negative economic effects for all countries directly involved.*
1. Please complete the following sentence.

Although the United States have been the only *superpower* for the last decades, the balance of power is shifting in favor of *China*, which today is both the largest economy in the world and the second largest *importer* globally (after the United States).

### 6.2

1. Please mark the correct statement(s).
* Emerging markets’ share of global GDP has declined over the last two decades.
* *China and India are the largest emerging markets measured in GDP.*
* Emerging markets typically grow slower than developed countries.
1. Please complete the following sentences.

Emerging markets offer chances for companies because they allow low-cost global *sourcing* and expanded *sales* markets. They also imply increased *risk* stemming from the political, economic, and cultural environment.

### 6.3

1. Please mark the correct statement(s).
* *The SDGs are made more actionable by defining specific targets for each goal.*
* The SDGs try to address purely regional challenges.
* The SDGs are developed and monitored by the International Monetary Fund.
1. Which of the following is a criticism of the SDGs often made by observers?
* The SDGs fail to consider certain sustainability issues.
* *The SDGs are too broad and sometimes conflicting.*
* The cost of implementing the SDGs does not outweigh the potential benefits.