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## Global Firms, (de)unionization and Wage Inequality

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**Abstract:** This paper studies the simultaneous effects of relocation of production (as part of globalization) and institutions in inequality. First, empirical evidence shows that the inequality shrinking effect of labor union participation is decreased by globalization. Theoretically, we study the conditions under which this empirical evidence is verified.

Unskilled labor intensive relocations together with (de)unionization processes of the labor force contributed to the increasing path of wage inequality observed in some of the leading countries. However, most recently, skilled relocations may help to decrease inequality in leading countries (e.g., the US), but to increase it in follower countries (e.g., China).

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