

# Digitalization and deregulation as sources of economic growth and fiscal stability: Slovak case

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**Abstract:** Not only direct material production supports the economic growth, but there are many other critical factors behind the success of a country to increase its wealth and to build healthy public finance. This article plans to focus on two such critical factors – digitalization and deregulation. In its informative parts it would deliver short picture about the trends of main economic indicators of Slovakia and about the progress of Slovakia in the areas of digitalization and deregulation during last years – some significant initiatives can be mentioned. The analytical part of the article would use quantitative and qualitative tools to check the relations between selected indicators, separately for economic growth and fiscal stability. Regarding the economic growth, we plan to apply quantitative research. On the side of independent variables, existing indicators determining the development of e-government and regulatory environment will be places, economic growth would be in the position of the dependent variable. Such research, combining two factors is rather unique and it is difficult to predict results, however we hope that positive impacts of digitalization and deregulation would be visible. Regarding the fiscal stability, we plan to deliver qualitative assessment, with the aim to explain, why Slovak public finance deteriorated so much during the period of important digitalization and deregulation changes. We expect that the political factors would appear as the determinant of the fiscal discipline, overriding all other potential determinants.