

A hand is shown placing a puzzle piece into a globe that is constructed from many puzzle pieces. The scene is set against a dark blue background with a wooden surface. The globe is the central focus, and the hand is positioned on the right side, holding a single puzzle piece. The lighting is dramatic, highlighting the textures of the puzzle pieces and the hand.

Asia in a climate of change

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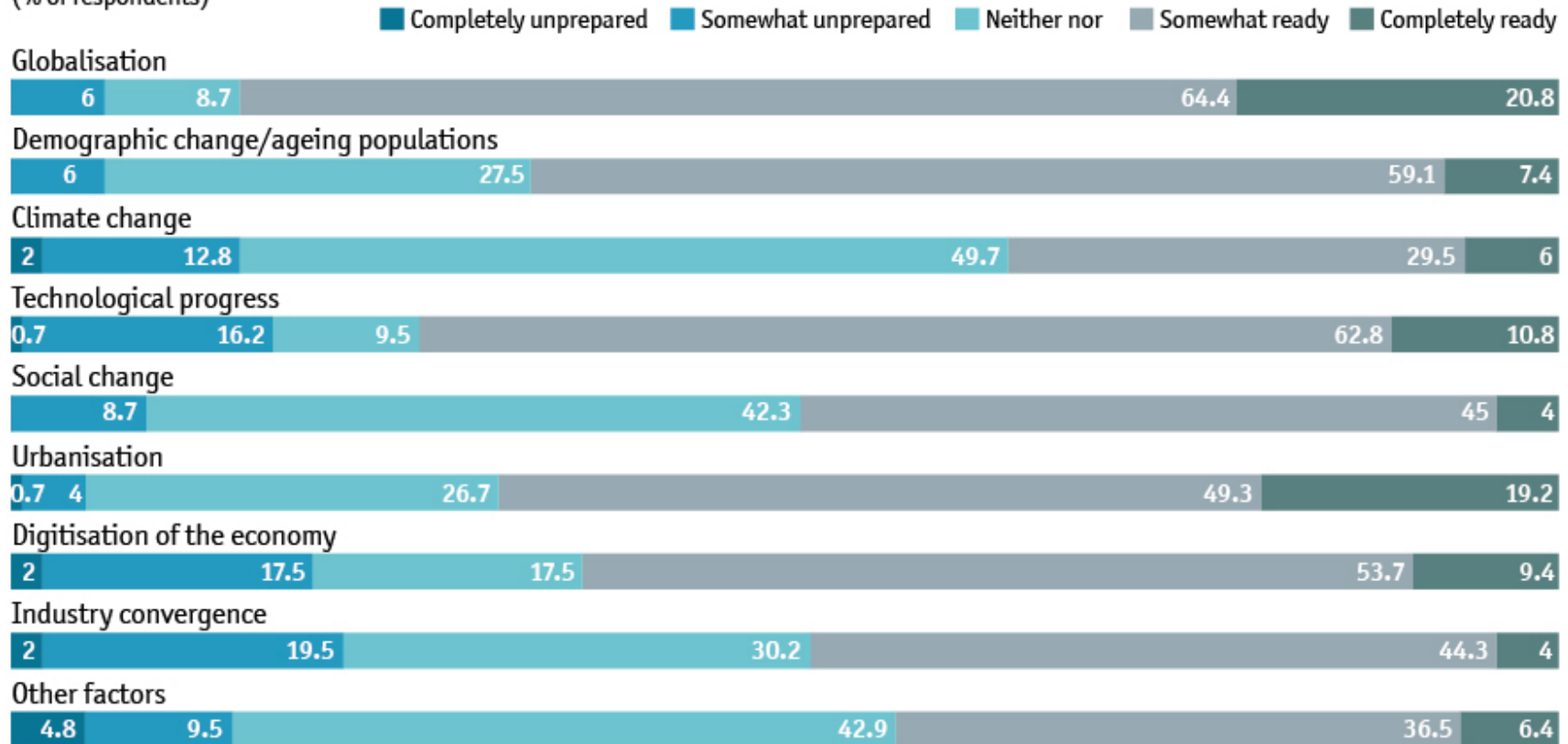
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...which present both challenges and opportunities to business

Chart 3: To what extent are you ready to face the changes, challenges, and opportunity that arise from these global megatrends.

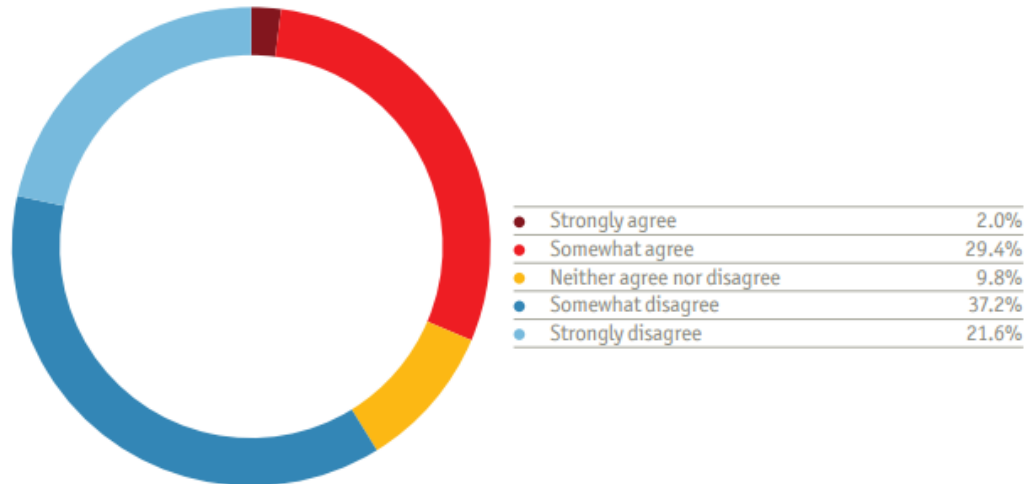
(% of respondents)



Recent research in Asia

In the wake of the Paris climate conference (COP21), how can policymakers guarantee economic and energy security while also facilitating a transition to a lower carbon energy system?

Figure 10: I am confident that ASEAN governments will meet their COP21 commitments



Source: The Economist Corporate Network.



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Summary points

- GHG emissions will continue to rise
- Non-traditional renewables account for a small share of the ASEAN mix
- Dependence on coal needs to be addressed
- Demand-side solutions can also be deployed
- ASEAN governments face energy investment trade-offs
- Clean energy investment in ASEAN forms a small share of investment globally
- Low-carbon solutions have spin-off benefits
- Climate adaptation as well as mitigation

