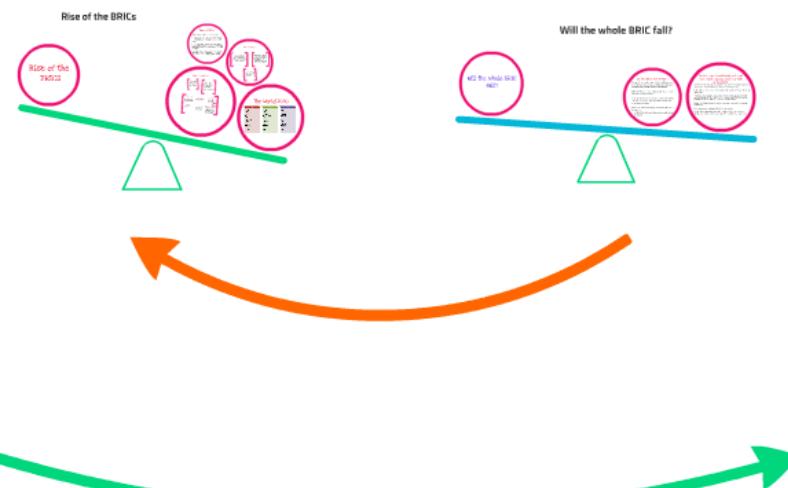




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- Conclusion**
- The Next Eleven (N-11)
 - Will BRICS stay BRICS?
 - BRICs
 - BRINCS
 - Do the summits matter?
- End note:**
- The world is changing, and BRICS (for now) are important drivers of that change

The above questions raise important questions, issues, and at what point, is it changing to develop its institutional framework? This is an area that I believe BRICS should focus on today.

As BRICS institutions continue to develop, the organizations functions should be clarified and expanded in parallel.

My own experience shows that if such institutions are not set up in a timely manner, then long term gains may be lost and the entire project could fail.

Therefore it is critical to start building the BRICS' institutional mechanisms today.

**Bye Bye Banksters
Hello BRICS**

The BRICS Phenomenon

The BRICS phenomenon appears to corroborate the hypothesis that views Latin America and Eurasia as major driving forces in the process of the new global order taking shape.



Opportunities for BRICS Countries

High-growth rates

Large market

Large exports of industrial goods

Large imports of raw materials

Large surplus in foreign exchange

Large capital and labor resources

Business confidence

Industrialization



Business Environment

Range of doing business

Stability of the economy

Business culture

Legal system

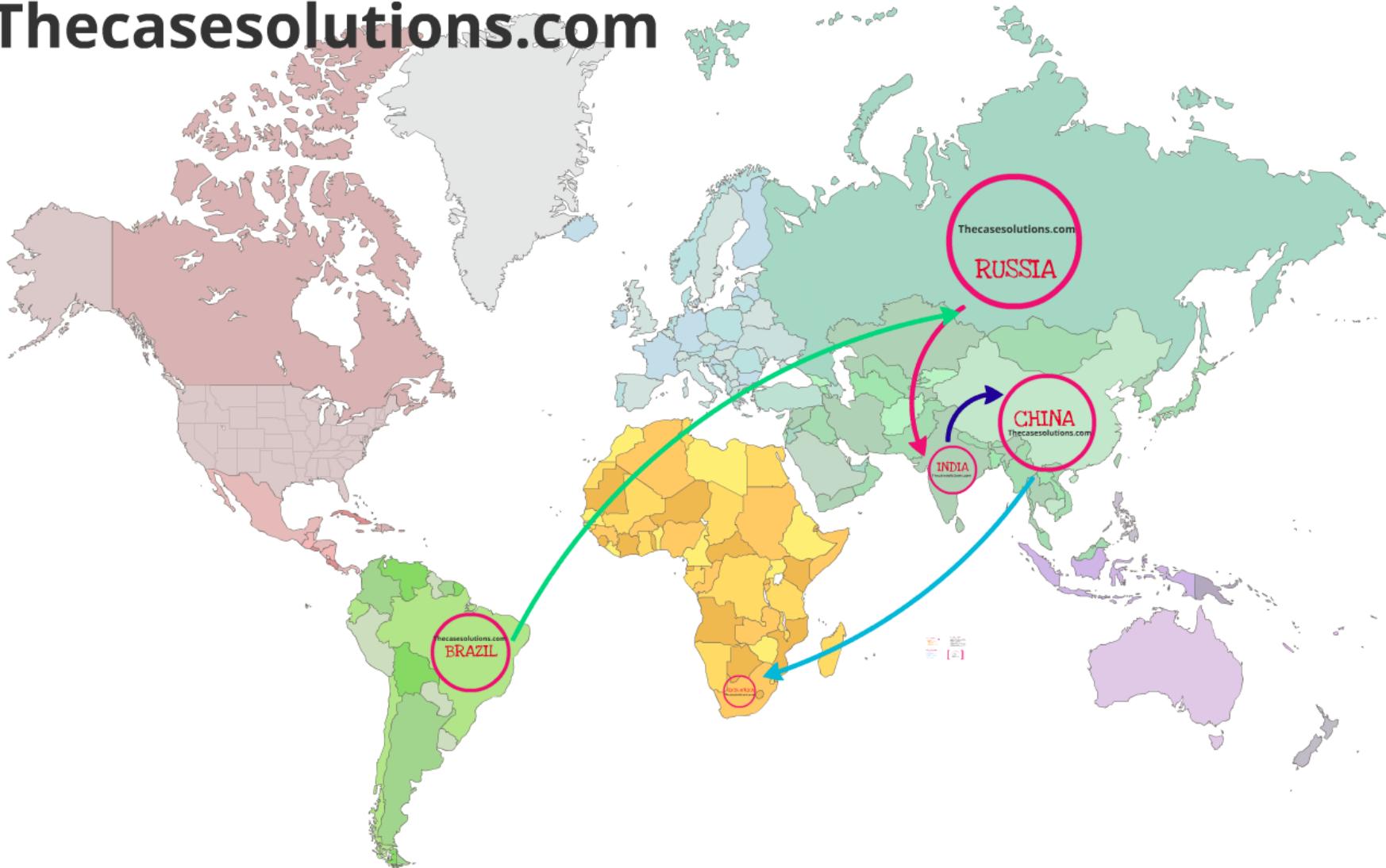
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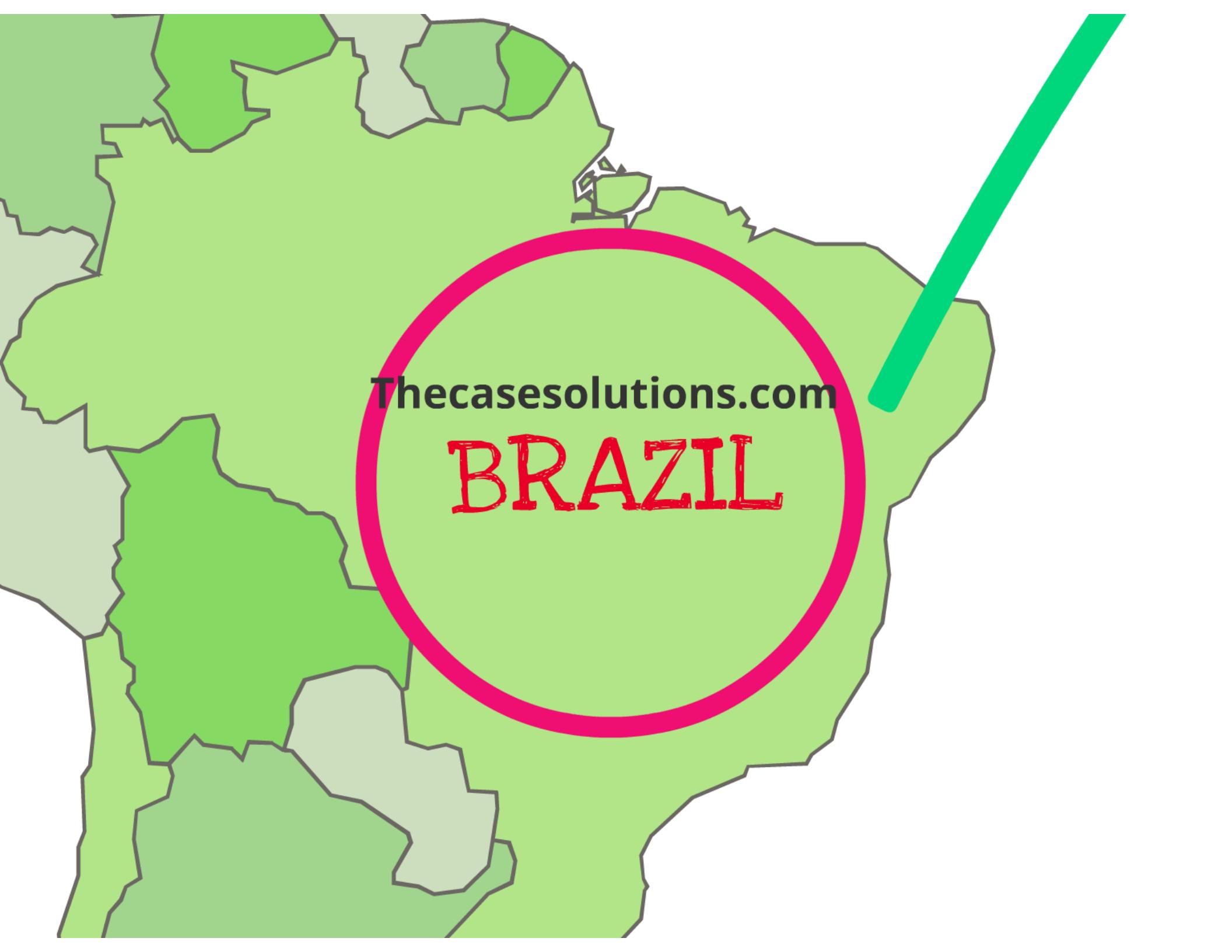
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Geopolitics in Economic Integration

- Economic integration can be geographically clustered, resulting in the form of free trade blocs.
- Regional integration = a group of countries located in the same region that have formed a political alliance to cooperate.
- Global integration = countries that coordinate cooperation through the WTO.

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