

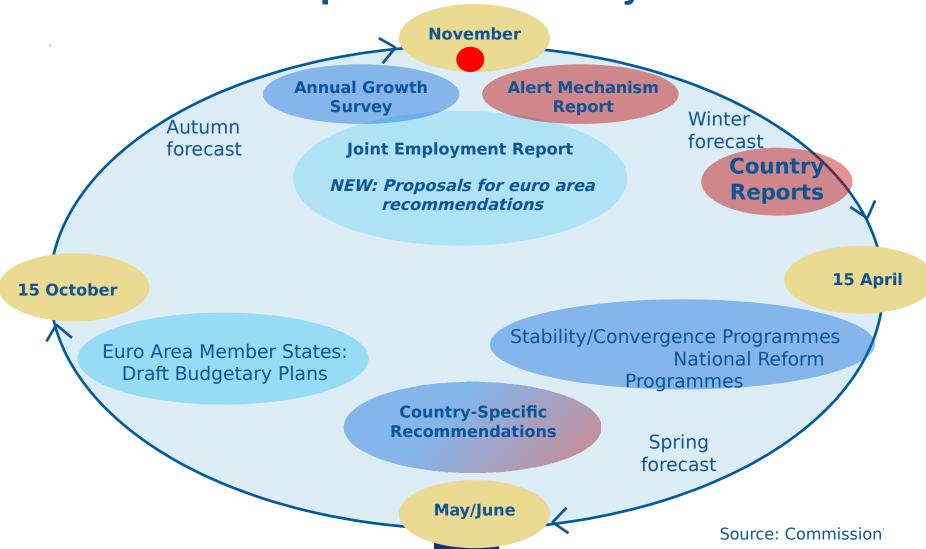
European Semester

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European Semester cycle





The 2016 Annual Growth Survey

 Main economic priorities for the Member States and the EU for the coming year

RE-LAUNCHING INVESTMENT



RESPONSIBLE FISCAL POLICIES

PURSUING STRUCTURAL REFORMS



Country Reports

Accompanied by a Communication

Strong focus on employment and social performance

In-depth Reviews for 18 MS (MIP)

Analytical backing for country-specific recommendations

Publication – 26th February

Followed by National Reform Programmes



Country-Specific Recommendations

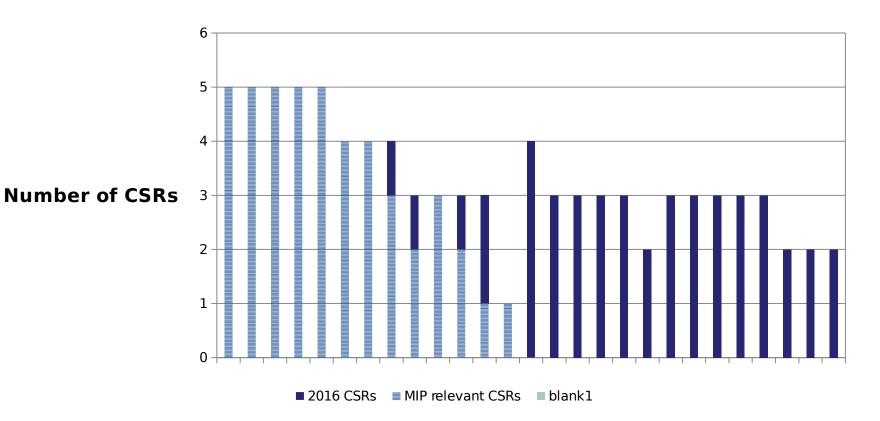
Proposed by the Commission on 18th May, to be adopted by the Council in June

From 2015: Streamlined and focused

1-6 recommendations per Member State



Overview of 2016 CSRs



Policy areas	AT	BE I	BG (CY CZ	Z DE	DK E	ΞE	S H	FR I	RH	JU IE	П	LT	ШΙ	V	ΔL N	L PL	. PT	RO	Œ	SI S	K UK
Fiscal policy & fiscal governance																						
Long-term sustainability of public finances, inc. pensions					_																	
Reduce the tax burden on labour																						
Broaden tax bases																						
Reduce the debt bias																						
Fight against tax evasion, improve tax administration & tackle tax avoidance																						
Financial services																						
Housing market																						
Access to finance																						
Private indebtedness																						
Employment protection legislation & framework for labour contracts																						
Unemployment benefits																						
Active labour market policies																						
Incentives to work, job creation, labour market participation																		ш				
Wages & wage setting																						
Childcare																						
Health & long-term care																						
Poverty reduction & social inclusion																						
Education								_														
Skills & life-long learning																						
Research & innovation	╝				_																	
Competition & regulatory framework																						
Competition in services																						
Telecom, postal services & local public services																						
Energy, resources & dimate change																						
Transport					_																	
Business environment																						
Insolvency framework																						
Public administration																						
State-owned enterprises		_																				
<u>Civil justice</u>																						
Shadow economy & corruption																						



2016 CSRs on public administration - examples

CSR 3 for HR:

"By the end of 2016, start reducing fragmentation and improving the functional distribution of competencies in public administration to improve efficiency and reduce territorial disparities in the delivery of public services. In consultation with social partners, harmonise the wage-setting frameworks across the public administration and public services. (...)"

CSR 3 for RO:

"Strengthen the <u>independence and transparency of human</u> <u>resources</u> management in the public administration. Simplify administrative procedures for business and the public. (...)"



2016 CSRs on public administration - examples

CSR 4 for SI:

"Take measures to modernise public administration and reduce the <u>administrative burden on business</u>. Improve the governance and the performance of <u>state-owned enterprises</u>."

SCR 3 for SK:

"Consolidate governance, reinforce the shift from price only to quality-based competition and improve the prosecution of illicit practices in <u>public procurement</u>. (...)"



2016 CSRs on public administration - examples

CSR 2 for CZ:

"Reduce <u>regulatory and administrative barriers to investment</u>, notably in transport and energy, and increase the availability of egovernment services. Adopt the outstanding <u>anti-corruption</u> <u>reforms</u> and improve public procurement practices."

CSR 1 for FI:

"Ensure timely adoption and implementation of the administrative reform with a view to <u>better cost-effectiveness</u> of social and healthcare services."



Involvement of Social Partners

Design and implementation of reforms

At European level
At national level



Involvement of Social Partners at European level

Cross-sectoral social partners

Exchanges at the main stages of the Semester (Annual Growth Survey, Country Reports)

Discussions with MS and the COM in committees

Tripartite Social Summit and in the Macroeconomic Dialogue



Involvement of Social Partners at national level

At national level

- three milestones (November, March, June)
- missions
- ESOs

National Reform Programmes



Revamped European Semester - Follow-up to Five Presidents Report

Looking at future economic governance

Two phases:

- 1st phase: 'deepening by doing'
- 2nd phase: 'completing EMU'

Better integrating the euro area and national dimension

Benchmarking and pursuing best practices

Reform support through EU funds and technical assistance

Effective democratic legitimacy and ownership



European Pillar of Social Rights

Compass for renewed upward convergence

Public consultation

Benchmarking



Thank You!

Questions?