

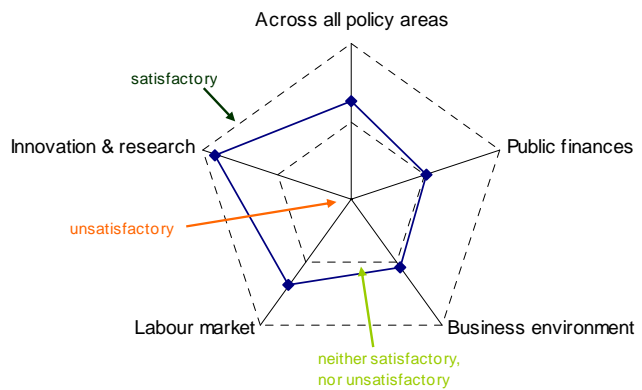
AUTUMN 2007 REFORM BAROMETER: ANSWERS FROM IV (AUSTRIA)

Reform priorities

1. Implement the internal market for energy
2. Improve incentives to work and to participate in the labour market
3. Raise labour regulation flexibility
4. Ensure employment-friendly labour cost developments
5. Deliver on sound medium term budgetary objectives
6. Safeguard the sustainability of social security systems

Reform progress

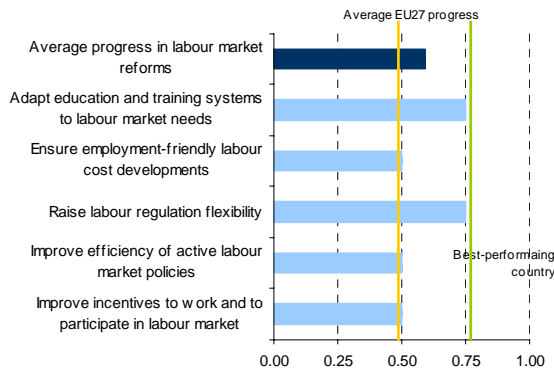
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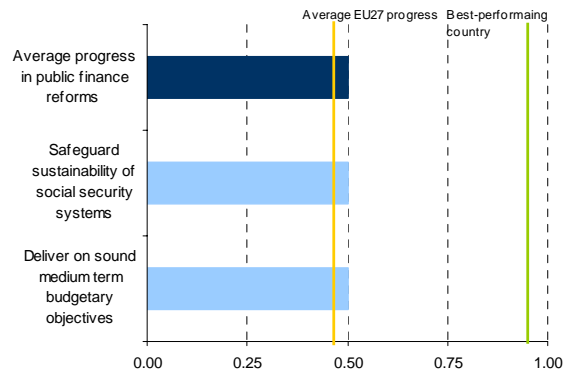
REFORM PROGRESS IN FOUR MAJOR POLICY AREAS:
(Average progress is weighted by reform priorities)

0.00: deteriorating
0.25: unsatisfactory
0.50: neither unsatisfactory, nor satisfactory
0.75: satisfactory
1.00: excellent

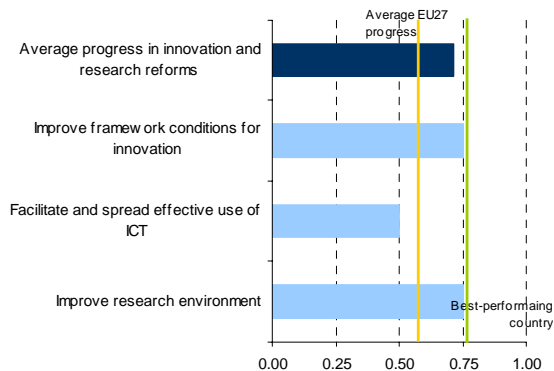
Labour market



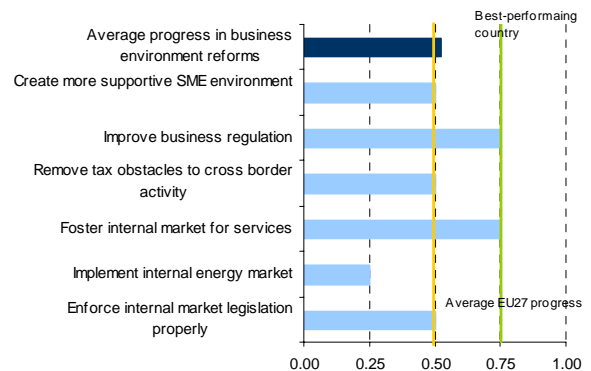
Public finances



Innovation and research



Business environment





ASSESSMENT OF SPRING SUMMIT 2007 COUNCIL RECOMMENDATIONS

Are the country specific recommendations issued in March 2007 being implemented?

To a large extent

Are these recommendations still relevant for 2008?

to some extent

Is an update of these recommendations required?

Yes

Is your federation appropriately involved in the national debate on the implementation of the EU Growth and Jobs Strategy?

To a large extent

Are the necessary steps taken to adjust policies to the specific requirements of euro area membership?

Yes, absolutely