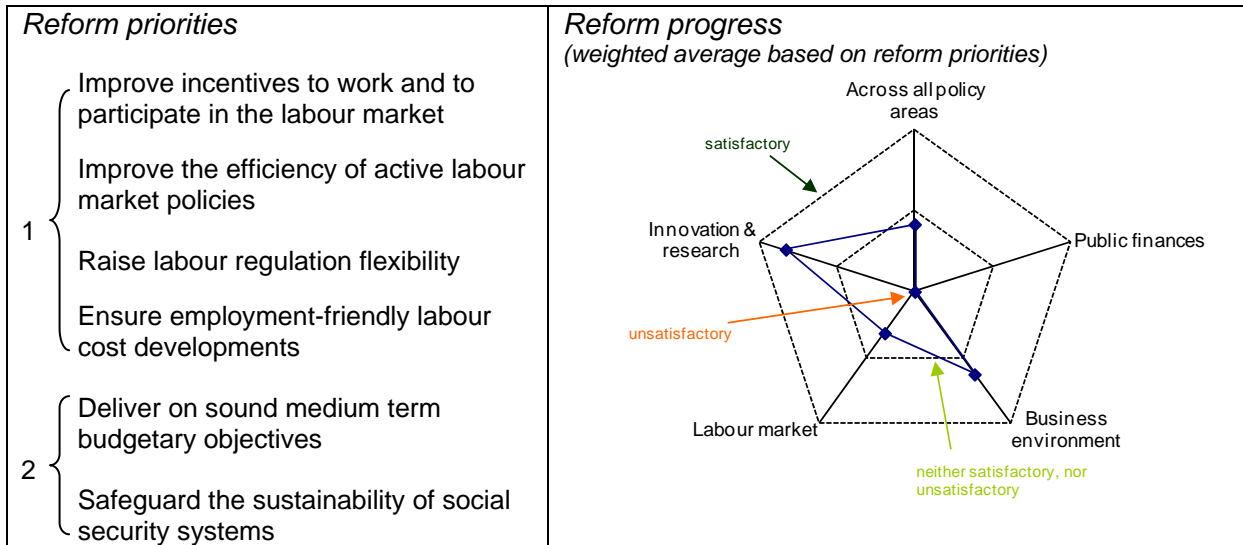


**SPRING 2009 REFORM BAROMETER: ANSWERS FROM FEB-VBO (BELGIUM)**

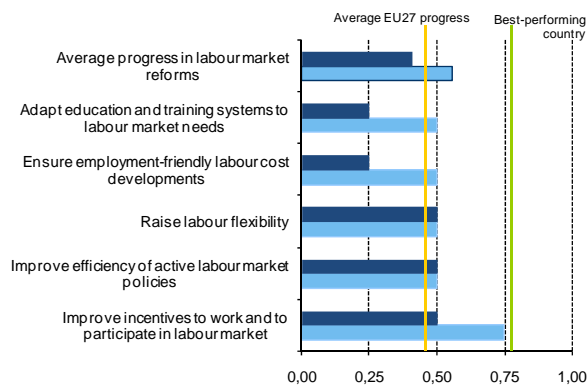


**REFORM PROGRESS IN FOUR MAJOR POLICY AREAS IN 2008 AND 2007**

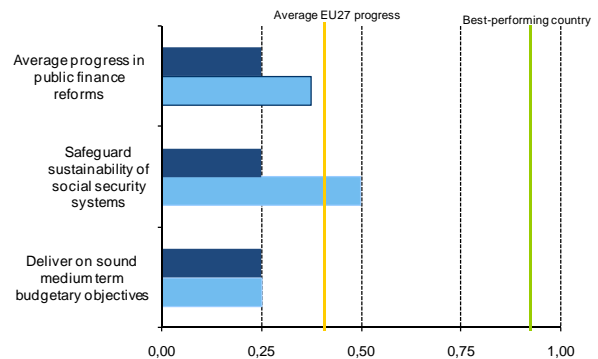
(Average progress is weighted by reform priorities, scale ranging from deteriorating "0.00" to excellent "1.00")

■ 2008 ■ 2007

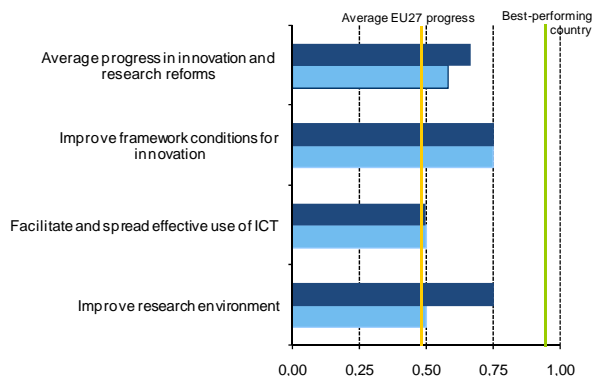
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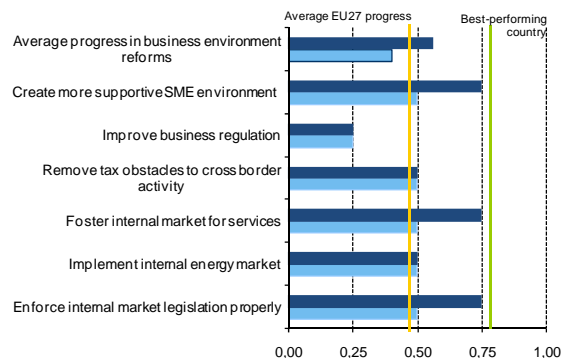
**Public finance**



**Innovation and research**



**Business environment**





**ASSESSMENT OF SPRING SUMMIT 2008 COUNCIL RECOMMENDATIONS**

Was an update of the Council's country-specific recommendations needed in 2009?	No
Were country specific recommendations implemented in 2008?	not enough
Is your federation appropriately involved in the national debate on the implementation of the EU Growth and Jobs Strategy?	to some extent
Are the necessary steps taken to adjust policies to the specific requirements of euro area membership?	not enough