



## SPRING 2014 REFORM BAROMETER - DENMARK

		Q1: the recommen dation is:	Q2: implementa tion effort is:	Detailed comments
CSR 1	Implement the budgetary strategy in 2013 as envisaged, so as to ensure the correction of the excessive deficit by 2013. Furthermore, implement the budgetary strategy for 2014 and beyond to ensure an adequate fiscal effort to remain at the medium-term objective.	Important	Satisfactory	The Budget Law with 4-year budget-ceilings combined with sanctions in case of overspending is a very good system ensuring budget discipline.
CSR <b>2</b>	Take further steps to improve the employability of people at the margins of the labour market, including people with a migrant background, the long- term unemployed and low-skilled workers. Improve the quality of vocational training to reduce drop-out rates and increase the number of apprenticeships. Implement the reform of primary and lower secondary education, in order to raise attainment levels and to improve the cost- effectiveness of the education system.	Extremely important	Unsatisfactory	The financial incentives for people who are outside the labour market to take a job are still too low. A reform of vocational training has been announced (but not yet decided) with a number of good initiatives, but more needs to be done.
CSR <b>3</b>	Continue efforts to remove obstacles to competition in the services sector including in the retail and construction sectors and enhance effectiveness in the provision of public services.	Extremely important	Mixed	New initiatives have been announced in this area. The Government will follow up on the recommendations from the Productivity-commission. The challenge is big as productivity growth in the service sector is low compared to other sectors and service sectors abroad.