

### SPRING 2015 REFORM BAROMETER – FINLAND

		Q1 : the recommendation is	Q2 : implementation on effort is :	Detailed comments
CSR 1	Reinforce the budgetary measures for 2014 in the light of the emerging gap relative to the medium-term objective....	Extremely important	Mixed	The government has taken measures to fulfil the debt criterion but it has focused too much on tax hikes. Also the government has not been able to implement sufficient structural policy programme.
CSR 2	Ensure effective implementation of the on-going administrative reforms concerning municipal structure and social and healthcare services ...	Important	Unsatisfactory	The suggested model will not increase the cost effectiveness of the services
CSR 3	Improve the use of the full labour force potential in the labour market, including by improving the employment rate and the employability of older workers ...	Important	Mixed	The government has not reduced early exit pathways and aligned statutory retirement age to changes in life expectancy, but labour market organizations have reached a solution to raise stationary pension age from 63 to 65 which will affect labour supply in the long run.
CSR 4	Continue efforts to enhance competition in product and service markets, especially in the retail sector ...	Helpful (but not a priority)	No progress	
CSR 5	Continue to boost Finland's capacity to deliver innovative products, services and high-growth companies in a rapidly changing environment ...	Important	Mixed	The expenditure on R&D has declined and Finland has not been able raise investment rate. Progress in building a connecting gas pipeline to Estonia