



## SPRING 2015 REFORM BAROMETER - CROATIA

|              |                                     | Q1 : the<br>recommendation<br>is : | Q2 :<br>implementation<br>on effort is : | Detailed comments   |
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| CSR 1        | Sound public finances               | Extremely<br>important             | Unsatisfactory                           | budgetary planning/forecasts without<br>visible improvements, thorough<br>expenditure review not related to the<br>budget 2015, expenditure control has<br>been only partially reinforced, no<br>action to optimise revenue |
| CSR <b>2</b> | Sustainable pensions and healthcare | Important                          | Unsatisfactory                           | Without proactive actions to<br>harmonise the statutory retirement<br>age, partial mostly administrative<br>measures to make healthcare sector<br>more cost-effective   |
| CSR 3        | High employment                     | Important                          | Unsatisfactory                           | No signs to complete the labour law<br>reform , no comprehensive plans to<br>address undeclared work, wage<br>setting review is mostly formal , some<br>progress to combat high youth<br>unemployment                       |

| CSR <b>4</b> | Business-friendly environment                | Extremely<br>important | No progress    | No visible effort to reduce<br>fragmentation by streamlining and<br>clarifying administrative processes,<br>without the set of quantitative target<br>for lower administrative requirements  |
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| CSR <b>5</b> | Smarter state involvement in the economy     | Important              | Unsatisfactory | No plans to ensure transparent and<br>accountable SOE management, the<br>reinforced anti-corruption measures is<br>in early stage ,the promote of<br>transparent and efficient public<br>procurement is declarative  |
| CSR <b>6</b> | Efficient insolvency regime and deleveraging | Extremely<br>important | Mixed          | The new law reinforced the role of<br>commercial courts in corporate pre-<br>bankruptcy procedures but still there<br>are concrete results, the viability of<br>restructured firms is not ensured, the<br>backlog of cases at commercial court<br>is still big |
| CSR <b>7</b> | Bank asset quality                           | Important              | Mixed          | Tailor-made and comprehensive<br>portfolio screening, as a complement<br>to the ECB's AQR and stress test<br>exercises has been undertaken , NPL<br>continues to grow, profitability trends<br>are poor, some banks are already loss-<br>making                |