

Slovenia

1. Covid-19 Pandemic and National Recovery and Resilience Plans

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| Question 1 | Based on early indications, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the way your country has started implementing the national recovery and resilience plan? | Neutral |
| Question 2 | How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the involvement of social partners in the implementation so far of your national recovery and resilience plan? | Neutral |
| Question 3 | How confident are you that the European Commission will enforce strong implementation of the reforms in the national recovery and resilience plans across the EU? | Somewhat confident |
| Question 4 | How do you judge the overall economic policy response in your country over the past 24 months to the COVID-19 recession? (e.g. furlough schemes, tax deferrals, state aid schemes) | Fair |
| Question 5 | How do you judge the overall economic policy response from the European Union over the past 24 months to the COVID-19 recession? (e.g. SURE, Recovery and Resilience Facility, single market) | Fair |
| Question 6 | To what extent has the COVID-19 pandemic and recession led to scarring i.e. permanent structural damage to your national economy? | To some extent |
| Question 7 | To what extent has the COVID-19 pandemic and recession led to scarring i.e. permanent structural damage to the EU27 economy? | To some extent |
| Question 8 | More specifically, how much lower do you expect GDP in your country to be in 2025 than would have been the case without the crisis? | GDP in 2025 expected to be app. 3-5 % lower than what would have been the case without the pandemic |

2. Assessment of Country Specific recommendations 2020-2021 in detail

| | | Q1: The recommendation is: | Q2: implementation on effort is: | Detailed comments |
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| CSR 1 | In line with the general escape clause, take all necessary measures to effectively address the pandemic, sustain the economy and support the ensuing recovery. When economic conditions allow, pursue fiscal policies aimed at achieving prudent medium-term fiscal positions and ensuring debt sustainability, while enhancing investment. Ensure the resilience of the health and long-term care system, including by providing the adequate supply of critical medical products and addressing the shortage of health workers. | Important | Mixed | |
| CSR 2 | Provide adequate income replacement and social protection. Mitigate the employment impact of the crisis, including through enhancing short-time work schemes and through flexible working arrangements. Ensure that these measures provide adequate protection for non-standard workers. | Helpful (but not a priority) | Satisfactory | |
| CSR 3 | Continue to swiftly implement measures to provide liquidity and financing to businesses and households and reduce administrative burden. Front-load mature public investment projects and promote private investment to support the economic recovery. Focus investment on the green and digital transition, in particular on clean and efficient production and use of energy, environmental infrastructure, sustainable transport, research and innovation and on the rollout of the 5G network. Promote digital capacities of businesses, and strengthen digital skills, e-Commerce and e-Health. | Important | Mixed | |

3. Reform Progress in your Member State in 2020 & 2021

How would you assess reform progress in 2020 & 2021, for the following broad areas:

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| Taxation and Public Finances | Mixed |
| Business environment (regulation/access to markets) | Mixed |
| Labour market | Mixed |
| Innovation and skills | Unsatisfactory |
| Access to finance and Financial stability | Mixed |

Is there any example of an economic reform, specific to your country that BusinessEurope could highlight in its 2022 Reform Barometer?

No

4. Reform priorities for 2022

| | I. Policy Area | II. Concrete Recommendations | III. Are the proposed recommendations already in the agenda of your Government? |
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| Priority 1 | Wage bargaining and wage-setting policies | Amendments to the law on minimum wage | No |
| Priority 2 | Making work-pay: interplay of tax and benefit system | --- | Yes |
| Priority 3 | Labour market mismatch and labour mobility | More cooperation with the business sector when changing education systems and long-life learning | Yes |
| Priority 4 | Market integration - Openness to trade and investment | More predictable conditions for foreign investors. | No |
| Priority 5 | Public sector efficiency | Not only increasing cost but increasing efficiency, especially in the health, employment sector | No |