



European Social Pillar and the European Semester

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The European Social Pillar

- **Proclaimed** by Member States, the European Parliament and the Commission on 17 November 2017 in Gothenburg.
- A key **priority** for the Commission
 - State of the Union 2017: “...we should work for a *European Social Standards Union* in which we have a common understanding of what is *socially fair*”



Twenty principles and rights

Equal opportunities and access to the labour market

- Education, training and life-long learning
- Gender equality
- Equal opportunities
- Active support to employment
- Secure and adaptable employment

Fair working conditions

- Wages
- Information about employment conditions and protection in case of dismissals
- Social dialogue and involvement of workers
- Work-life balance
- Healthy, safe and well-adapted work environment

Adequate and sustainable social protection

- Childcare and support to children
- Social Protection
- Unemployment benefits
- Minimum income
- Old age income and pensions
- **Health care**
- Inclusion of people with disabilities
- Long-term care
- Housing and assistance for the homeless
- Access to essential services



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Fair working conditions



Social protection and
inclusion

Principle 16

Everyone has the right to timely access to affordable, preventive and curative health care of good quality

- Building upon art 35 of the EU Charter of fundamental rights
- Access to good quality preventive health care and medical treatment is recognised as a fundamental principle in many national health systems in the EU
- Social scoreboard: indicators to monitor progress on the Pillar Principles
- Action at EU level (Cooperation, Legislation, Semester) and national level

Monitoring the implementation of the Pillar

- Communication of 13th March 2018
- European Semester is the appropriate monitoring tool:
 - ✓ *In-depth analysis*
 - ✓ *Transparent reporting throughout the year*
 - ✓ *Involvement of social partners and other stakeholders*

Practical integration of Pillar in European Semester country reports

1) Summary paragraph in the executive summary:

Highlights country's performance regarding the Social Scoreboard supporting the Pillar

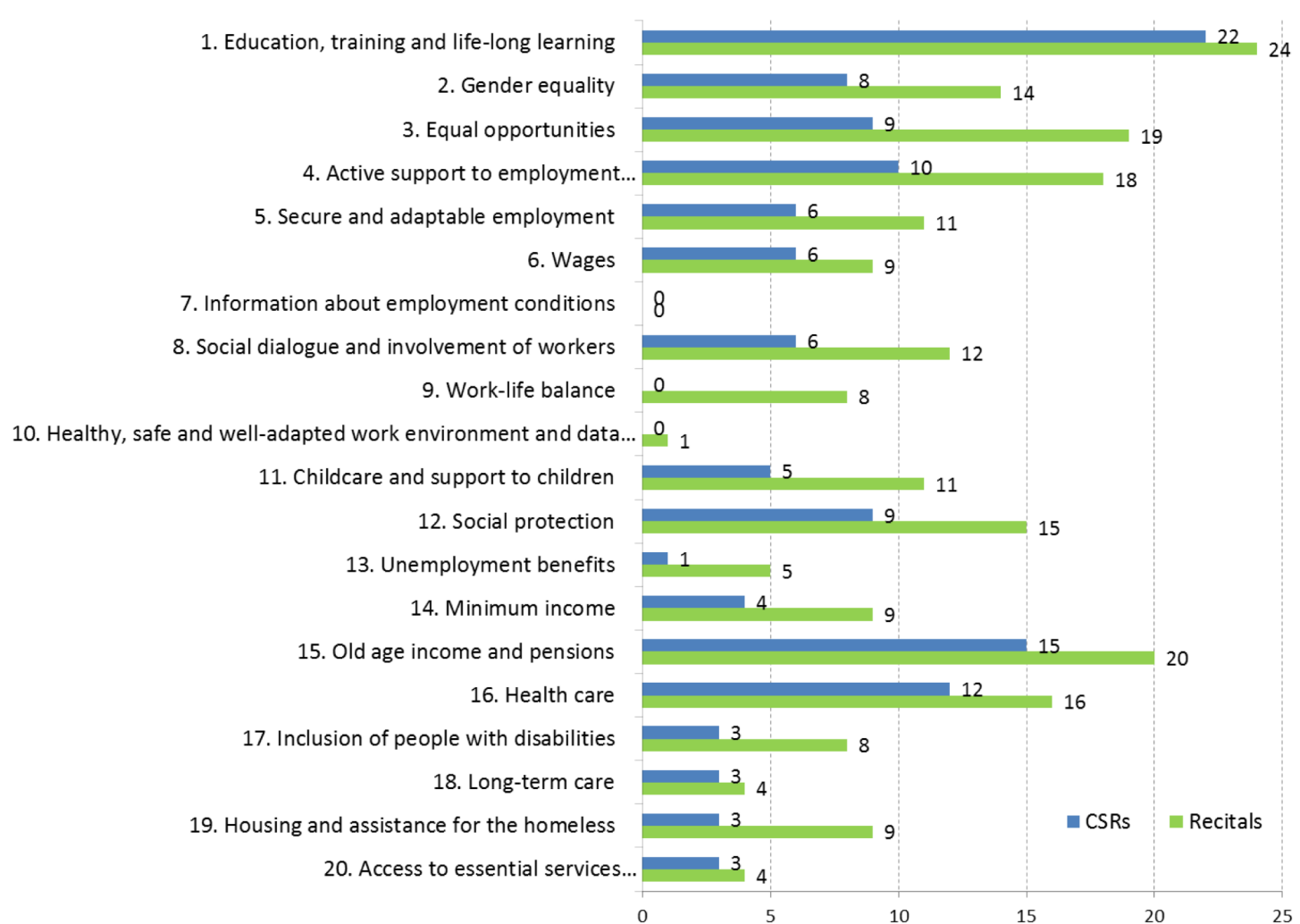
2) Box: Monitoring performance in light of the European Pillar of Social Rights

Overall performance of the country in terms of Pillar and Scoreboard

Examples including challenges and at least one good practice / promising policy development



The Pillar in 2018 CSRs





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THANK YOU!