

Euro-area priorities in RRPs

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Consistency between RRPs and euro-area recommendations

Policy priorities of the EAR 2021

- 1. Ensuring a policy stance which supports the recovery
- Further improving convergence, resilience and sustainable and inclusive growth
- Strengthening national institutional frameworks
- 4. Ensuring macro-financial stability
- Completing the EMU and strengthening the international role of the euro



Coverage of EARs 2021 in the RRPs

Main reforms in RRPs

EAR 1 Ensuring a policy stance which supports the recovery

The additional fiscal space provided by the RRF is balanced by measures to achieve prudent mediumterm fiscal positions, such as spending reviews and improving the quality and sustainability of public finances (including pension reforms).

Facilitating the twin transitions, strengthening productivity and employment, labour market reforms, combatting aggressive tax planning. Improving the effectiveness, accessibility and resilience of health

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Modernizing and digitizing public administration and

Modernizing and digitizing public administration and justice systems, removing barriers to investment and strengthening the anti-money laundering framework.

The creation of NGEU/RRF has given a clear overall boost to macro-financial stability in the EA. RRPs address inter alia constraints in credit availability for companies and high volumes of NPLs and private indebtedness.

EAR 2

Further improving convergence, resilience and sustainable and inclusive growth

EAR3

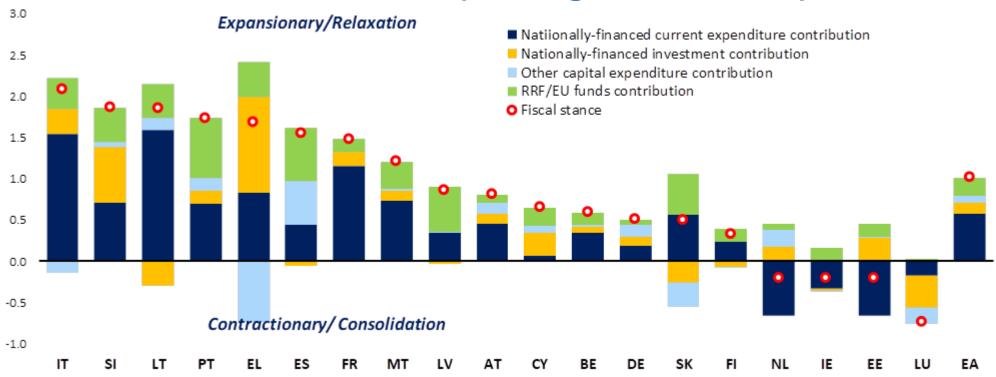
Strengthening national institutional frameworks

EAR 4

Ensuring macro-financial stability

Impact of the RRF on the fiscal stance

Fiscal stance, 2021-2022 (average, % of GDP)



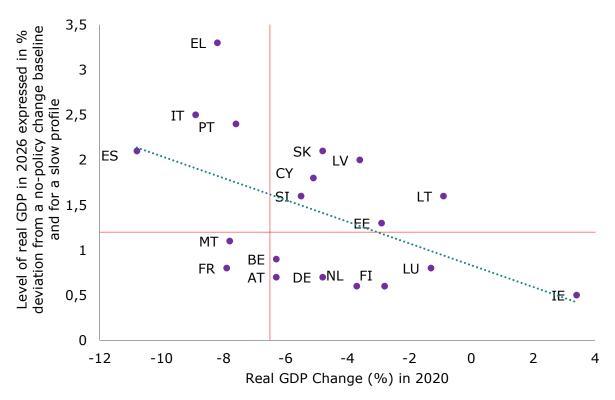
Note: The graph shows the fiscal stance and its components based on net expenditure growth relative to 10-year potential growth. It excludes the phasing out of COVID-19 temporary emergency measures.

Source: European Commission 2021 spring forecast.



The RRF will boost growth & convergence

Impact of NGEU on GDP





Additional policy action needed to ...

... address emerging risks

- bankruptcy/insolvency risks;
- expected developments in NPLs;
- need to ensure and broaden access to finance in the recovery phase, also towards supporting the twin transition.

RRPs partly respond to these, through e.g. insolvency and broader judicial reforms, set-up of publicly-backed equity funds.

... deepen BU and CMU

Capital Markets Union

 Implementation of the 2020 CMU Action Plan

Banking Union

 Review of the bank crisis management framework, EDIS



Thank you



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