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"PEACE AND DIVERSITY DEPEND ON EVERYONE"

# SPAIN RANKS FIRST IN ATTRACTED FUNDING OF HORIZON 2020 CHALLENGE 6 PROGRAMME



For the first time, Spain has become the first country to receive attractive funding under the Horizon 2020 "Europe in a Changing World: Inclusive, Innovative and Reflective Societies" Challenge 6 programme.

The Spanish participants attract a financing of 16.7 million Euros, which means a participation of 12.1% of the EU-28 budget in the 2019 call. The success rate is 10.41%, slightly above the European average of 10.24%.

The "Europe in a Changing World: Inclusive, Innovative and Reflective Societies" programme is one of the seven social challenges identified in Horizon 2020, which aims to foster a better understanding of Europe and offer solutions in a context of unprecedented transformations and growing global interdependence. In the 2019 call, Spain not only obtains the highest return but it is also the country that leads the highest number of proposals, with a total of 10 proposals out of 56, 19% of the total proposals. The lines where Spain has obtained its best results have been the call for Transformations, which includes research aimed at heritage and cultural issues.

In September, the team of National Contact Points begins the promotion of the 2020 call, which continues the lines of 2019. It has pre-published the Work Program in the following link. In this document, you can consult the financing opportunities whose deadline for submitting proposals will be March 12, 2020.



# AUDITORS ASSESS EU SUPPORT FOR INDUSTRY 4.0 AND DIGITAL INNOVATION IN EUROPE

European Court of Auditors is The conducting an audit of EU support and funding for digitising industry and boosting digital innovation in Europe. The auditors will examine whether the European Commission provides effective support to Member States for digitisation of their industries, and helps start-ups and small- and-medium sized enterprises (SMEs) in their efforts to go digital.

LThe auditors have published a preview of the audit on digitising European industry. Audit previews provide information on an ongoing audit task. They are intended as a source of information for those interested in the policy or programmes being audited.

Industry 4.0 uses digital technology to connect people, things and processes in real time. This process radically changes manufacturing and the way business is done, and adds value through increased speed and efficiency. To keep up, companies worldwide will need to transform, which requires considerable investment. In the EU, there are wide disparities in digital development between regions and sectors, ranging from over 63 % in computer programming to 4 % in construction. SMEs account for 99 % of all businesses, but less than a fifth are highly digitised.

They need to be encouraged to digitise their work processes, as they often lack the resources required to face the challenge of digital transition on their own.

In recent years, the Commission and Member States have launched a number of initiatives to create a digital single market and digitise European industry, with actions in the area of data economy, the Internet of things and cloud computing.





# WHAT THE EUROPEAN UNION IS DOING FOR YOUTH EMPLOYMENT



On the occasion of the International Youth Day, celebrated yesterday August 12th, we will review all the actions carried out by the European Union to combat youth unemployment and encourage professional development of the youngest.

In November 2018 there were 3.4 million unemployed young people (under 25) in the EU-28, i.e. 15.2%, compared to 16.1% in November 2017. The gap between youth unemployment rates in EU countries is high: from 4.9% in the Czech Republic in November 2018 to 36.6% in Greece in September 2018. These alarming figures are the ones that have led the EU to take various actions to combat this problem.

#### Investing in Europe's youth

- Better opportunities for access to employment
- Better opportunities through education and training
- Better opportunities in the fields of solidarity, mobility in training and participation

#### Young people and the future of work

On 22 May 2019, the Council adopted conclusions on young people and the future of work. These conclusions address the specific issues facing young people in today's working environment:

- insecurity
- lack of social protection
- active poverty
- precarious working conditions

The Conclusions propose a series of measures to address these issues:

- adaptable and responsive education and training systems
- promotion of lifelong learninga guarantee of a smooth transition from the education system to the world of work and from one job to another
- equal access to quality jobs for all young people in the future



# FINANCIAL SERVICES: COMMISSION SETS OUT ITS EQUIVALENCE POLICY WITH NON-EU COUNTRIES



The European Commission is today taking stock of its overall approach to equivalence in the area of financial services. EU equivalence has become a significant tool in recent years, fostering integration of global financial markets and cooperation with third-country authorities.

The EU assesses the overall policy context and to what extent the regulatory regimes of a given third country achieves the same outcomes as its own rules. A positive equivalence decision, which is a unilateral measure by the Commission, allows EU authorities to rely on third-country rules and supervision, allowing market participants from third countries who are active in the EU to comply with only one set of rules. Today's Communication also sets out how recent updates to EU legislation will ensure even greater effectiveness of the EU single rulebook, supervision and monitoring, while also fostering crossborder business in global markets. The Commission has to date taken over 280 equivalence decisions with regard to over 30 countries.

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This Commission document also provides an overview of how recent EU legislative have strengthened changes the equivalence framework, both in terms of initial assessments and ex-post monitoring, in particular with an increased role for the European Supervisory Authorities. These recent legislative changes, for instance in the amended ESAs regulations. strengthen the roles of those authorities in monitoring equivalent third countries.



# EU-U.S. TRADE TALKS: ONE YEAR ON, THE COMMISSION PRESENTS PROGRESS REPORT



One year on, a series of concrete actions have been achieved, taking the trilliondollar transatlantic trade relationship to level.A the next report on the implementation of the EU-U.S. Joint Statement of 25 July 2018 was published recently, providing an overview of the progress made and illustrating the depth of the engagement between EU and U.S. over the past year, both at political and technical level.

#### Developments at the commercial level

Since July 2018, the EU has significantly increased its imports of liquefied natural gas (LNG) from the U.S. by over 367%. So far, in 2019, one third of all U.S. LNG exports have gone to the EU. The U.S. is the EU's third largest supplier of LNG, while the EU has emerged as the primary destination of U.S. LNG exports.

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EU imports of U.S. soya beans increased by almost 100% from July 2018 to June 2019, compared to the same period the previous year. The United States is now Europe's number one soya beans supplier and has been able to expand its market further, following the decision by the European Commission on 29 January 2019, to authorise the use of U.S. soya beans for biofuels.

Following the Council's mandate of 15 April 2019 to open talks with the U.S. for a horizontal agreement on conformity assessment, there have already been three rounds of constructive discussions on regulatory cooperation. An EU-U.S. agreement would allow exporters from a wide range of sectors to get certification of their products in their own country (as opposed to, for example, sending samples to the export destination).

The Council gave the Commission the authorisation to open talks with the U.S. on eliminating tariffs on industrial goods. While it was not yet possible to launch negotiations in this area due to diverging objectives on the two sides, the EU remains ready to engage with the U.S. along the lines agreed between the two Presidents in July 2018.

# JUNCKER PLAN: VILNIUS FACTORING COMPANY TO ISSUE €10M IN NEW MICROLOANS WITH EIF SUPPORT



Vilnius Factoring Company, а private lending company in Lithuania, has signed cooperation agreement with the а European Investment Fund (EIF) for the granting of microcredits up to 25,000 euros. Micro-enterprises and farmers in Lithuania can now benefit from non-bank business financing opportunities under the EU Programme for Employment and Social Innovation (EaSI). 10 million with an EIF guarantee. The agreement is backed by the Juncker Plan's European Strategic Fund, which Investment allows the European Investment Bank Group to invest in riskier operations.

The aim of the EaSI programme is to provide micro-enterprises with better access to finance. More specifically, the conditions for access to such finance are less strict than access to finance from traditional banking sources, also thanks to significantly lower guarantee requirements. The funds can be invested both in the company's working capital and in its business development.

Microcredits will be granted to small farmers and businesses with a maximum of 9 employees. The annual turnover and the amount of assets of these companies should not exceed EUR 2 million. To date, the Vilnius Factoring Company has provided factoring services to micro, small and medium-sized enterprises. One year after its operations in Lithuania, the company has financed invoices worth EUR 113 million and provided services to 130 customers. In mid-August, Vilnius Factoring Company had a financing portfolio of 23 million euros.

The EU Programme for Employment and Social Innovation ("EaSI") aims to support the EU's objective of achieving a high level of employment, adequate social protection. the fight against social exclusion and the poverty and improvement of working conditions. The Microfinance and Social Entrepreneurship strand of the EaSI programme provides support to financial intermediaries offering microcredit to entrepreneurs or financing to social enterprises. The aim is to increase access to microfinance, which includes microcredit, i.e. loans of up to 25,000 euros, in particular for vulnerable people and micro-enterprises.



#### CALLS AND AWARDS

# INTERNSHIPS AT THE WORLD BANK

The World Bank offers internships to young people interested to learn more about the economic and social issues that affect people's lives around the world. The programme offers opportunities for study and work that provide hands-on experience. The Bank Internship Programme offers graduate students an opportunity to improve their skills as well as the experience of working in an international environment.

Paid internships are available for winter and summer programmes. It is open to students who are nationals of the Bank's member countries. Candidates must possess an undergraduate degree and be already enrolled in a full-time graduate study programme (pursuing a Master's degree or Ph.D. with plans to return to school in a full-time capacity).



#### Deadlines

Summer (June-September) - the application period for the Summer Program is 1 December - 31 January each year.

Winter (December-March)- the application period for the Winter Program is 1 - 31 October each year.

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# PRÁCTICAS EN EL COMITÉ ECONÓMICO Y SOCIAL 2019

The Economic and Social Committee (EESC) is a consultative body that offers European economic and social partners (employers, trade unions, representatives of small businesses, farmers' associations, consumers, etc.) the opportunity to give their formal opinion on EU policies. The EESC organises twice a year long (five months) and short (one to three months) periods of continuous training.

Candidates must be university graduates. Candidates must have a thorough knowledge of one EU language and a satisfactory knowledge of another EU language, one of which must be English or French.



- 1 July 30 September (spring training February July)
- 3 January March 31 (fall internship, September-February)

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#### CALLS AND AWARDS

# COSME 2019 : ACCELERATE AND SCALE UP INNOVATION APPLICATIONS FOR A SUSTAINABLE AND CIRCULAR FASHION INDUSTRY



Both fashion industry and civil society recognize the need to turn to a more sustainable approach in the way fashion products are produced and consumed. Nonetheless, many small companies in the sector are not aware of the benefits thev can obtain from adopting restorative and regenerative business models and processes. Improved sustainable performance can help business in the sector remain market competitive in a where consumers are rapidly changing their attitude towards fashion and its ecological and ethical implications.

The action is meant to provide support to SMEs and start-ups in the fashion sector to help them become more sustainable and turn their business model into a circular one.

EU added value will be ensured through transnational cooperation to address geographical unbalances between EU countries in approaching sustainability in the sector of fashion and facilitate the sharing of sustainable solutions across Europe.

#### Expected impact

- Identification of the major obstacles for the sector to become more sustainable and circular.
- Identification of solutions already available for SMEs, start-ups, manufacturers active in the fashion industry to improve sustainability/circularity of the industry.
- Development and testing models to support companies to share knowledge and experiences to become more efficient in terms of use of resources.
- Increase in the investment in sustainable solutions for fashion industry.

#### Deadline

17 December 2019

#### MORE INFORMATION:



# **QUARTER 2019**

INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN GOODS (UE) 2008-2018

**JULY 2019** 

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# **Bread and cereals prices in the EU** Consumer price levels for bread and cereals (EU28=100), 2018



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### BREAD AND CEREALS PRICE IN THE EU

2018. the price of bread In and cereals across the European Union (EU) was more than three times as high in the most expensive Member State than in the cheapest one.





# ECONOMIC AFFAIRS



#### 2018 ANNUAL MANAGEMENT AND PERFORMANCE REPORT FOR THE EU BUDGET

ABSTRACT: The Annual Management and Performance Report for the EU Budget presents the latest information on the results achieved with the EU budget (Section 1), and on how the EU budget is managed and protected (Section 2). Section 1 is structured by budget heading. It explains how the EU's financial programmes have contributed to the EU's political priorities. It also summarises the latest evaluation results on how these programmes have performed Publication date: 01-07-2019 Author: Directorate-General for Budget (BUDG) Link: CLICK HERE Key words: EU funding, EU spending, activity report, income, EU investment, financial planning, EU policy, EU budget ISBN/ISSN: 978-92-76-01679-3 / 2599-7092

#### THE JUNCKER PLAN. TOWARDS A MORE UNITED. STRONGER AND DEMOCRATIC UNION



# ABSTRACT: The Juncker Plan. Getting Europe investing again : towards a more united,

stronger and more democratic UnionResumen:A new boost for jobs, growth and investment was the number one priority of President Jean-Claude Juncker for his Commission. In November 2014, just three weeks into the mandate, President Juncker launched the Investment Plan for Europe also called the Juncker Plan. The Investment Plan for Europe has three objectives: to make smarter use of financial resources; to provide visibility and technical assistance to investment projects.

Publication date: 06-09-2019

Author: Directorate-General for Communication

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Key words: EU investment, European Investment Bank, fund (EU), investment policy, investment project, investment promotion

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#### PROGRESS ON THE ECONOMIC SITUATION. TOWARDS A MORE UNITED, STRONGER AND DEMOCRATIC UNION

ABSTRACT: he EU's ambitious agenda for jobs, growth and investment and its work on the single market have contributed to a robust economic recovery. Europe's economy has grown for six consecutive years. Some 12.6 million jobs have been created since the start of the Juncker Commission and unemployment is at a record low in this century. At the same time, the state of public finances has improved across the board and disparities in wealth distribution between Member States are also shrinking again.

#### Publication date: 11-06-2019

Author: Directorate-General for Communication Link: CLICK HERE

Key words: economic development, economic growth, economic recovery, economic situation, EU policy, European Commission ISBN/ISSN: 978-92-76-02959-5

# FINANCIAL AFFAIRS



# AUTOMATIC FISCAL STABILISERS IN THE EU: SIZE & EFFECTIVENESS

**ABSTRACT**: This Economic Brief examines the size and effectiveness of automatic stabilisers in the European Union (EU). It shows that the tax and benefit system automatically, i.e. at unchanged polices, cushions a sizeable part of the cyclical fluctuations in the EU on average, namely around 35% of the households' loss of disposable income and around 70% of their consumption loss.

Publication date: 30-07-2019

Author: Directorate-General for Economic and Financial Affairs Link: CLICK HERE Key words: economic cycle, economic fluctuation, economic governance (EU), economic stabilisation, EU Member State, fiscal policy, public debt

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2018 Annual report

#### 2018 ANNUAL REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EUROPEAN UNION'S INSTRUMENTS FOR FINANCING EXTERNAL ACTIONS IN 2017

**ABSTRACT**: This Annual Report 2018, which covers the 2017 actions, shows how the European Union has maintained its commitment to promote sustainable development and sustainable security worldwide and has explored new ways to make external action more effective. The Commission services working document provides complete information on how the EU has fulfilled its commitments and executed its geographical and thematic programs. **Publication date:** 07-06-2019

Author: Directorate-General for International Cooperation and Development Link: CLICK HERE

**Key words:** action programme, activity report, aid policy, civil defence, common security and defence policy, developing countries, development aid, development policy, EU aid, European neighbourhood policy, financial aid, financial instrument, foreign policy, sustainable development



#### TAX POLICIES IN THE EUROPEAN UNION. 2017 SURVEY

**ABSTRACT**: The "Survey on fiscal policies in the EU" examines how the tax systems of the Member States contribute to promoting investment and employment, how they work to reduce fraud, tax evasion and evasion, and how tax systems help address income inequalities and ensure social equity.

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Autor: Directorate-General for Taxation and Customs Union

**Palabras clave:** activity report, economic survey, EU Member State, fiscal policy, tax, tax reform, tax system

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# EMPLOYMENT IN THE EU



#### EMPLOYMENT AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENTS IN EUROPE 2019. SUSTAINABLE GROWTH FOR ALL: CHOICES FOR THE FUTURE OF SOCIAL EUROPE

**ABSTRACT:** 'Sustainable growth for all: choices for the future of social Europe': the 2019 annual edition of Employment and Social Developments in Europe (ESDE) confirms that the EU is well placed to protect and enhance citizens' living standards while pursuing an ambitious transition to an environmentally sustainable economy.

Publication date: 05-09-2019

Author: Directorate-General for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion

#### Link: CLICK HERE

**Key words:** economic growth, economic recession, employment structure, EU employment policy, fight against unemployment, investment, job creation, labour market, productivity, social policy, updating of skills

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#### EURES, THE EUROPEAN JOBS NETWORK

**ABSTRACT**: EURES (European Employment Services) is a cooperation network formed by public employment services. Unions and employers' organizations also participate as partners. The aim of the EURES network is to facilitate the free movement of workers within the European Economic Area (EEA) (the 28 members of the European Union, plus Norway, Liechtenstein and Iceland) and Switzerland.

#### Publication date: 02-09-2019

Author: Directorate-General for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion Link: CLICK HERE

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PUBLIC PROCUREMENT GUIDANCE FOR PRACTITIONERS

#### PUBLIC PROCUREMENT. GUIDANCE FOR PRACTITIONERS ON THE AVOIDANCE OF THE MOST COMMON ERRORS IN PROJECTS FUNDED BY THE EUROPEAN STRUCTURAL AND INVESTMENT FUNDS

**ABSTRACT**: Following on the great success of the first edition with more than 70,000 downloads, we are particularly happy to present you with the new and updated version of the 'Public Procurement - Guidance for practitioners on the avoidance of the most common errors in projects funded by the European Structural and Investment Funds'. **Publication date:** 27-09-2018

Author: Directorate General for Regional and Urban Policy Link: CLICK HERE

**Key words:** award of administrative contract, public administration, public contract, EU Member State, Structural Fund, European Investment Fund, guide, investment project **ISBN/ISSN:** 978-92-79-77536-9

#### PUBLICATIONS

# OPORTUNITIES AND CHALLEGES FOR SMES



#### SUPPORT REPORT MAPPING SUSTAINABLE FASHION OPPORTUNITIES FOR SMES

**ABSTRACT**: As identified in the COP 2015 Paris Agreement there is an urgent imperative for global efforts to tackle climate change and environmental damage from major industrial activities. This report supports this process in the European textiles, fashion and footwear sector, a major industry providing employment for nearly 1.7million people across the EU in approximately 176,000 businesses

#### Publication date: 07-08-2019

Author: Centre for Sustainable Fashion , Directorate-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs(European Commission) and other stakeholders.

#### Link: CLICK HERE

**Palabras clave:** clothing industry, competitiveness, financial aid, industrial manufacturing, industrial policy, report, small and medium-sized enterprises, sustainable development, textile industry, textile productl **ISBN/ISSN**: 978-92-79-99648-1



#### EU POLICY FRAMEWORK ON SMES: STATE OF PLAY AND CHALLENGES

**ABSTRACT**: Based on desk research and structured interviews with selected Local and Regional Authorities (LRAs) this report identifies key challenges currently faced by European SMEs, analyses the evolution of EU policy initiatives since the introduction of the Small Business Act (SBA) and formulates policy recommendations to strengthen the role of LRAs and SME policy in the post-2020 period

#### Publication date: 29-07-2019

Author: European Committee of the Regions , Spatial Foresight , t33 Srl , ÖIR Link: CLICK HERE

**Key words:** administrative formalities, assessment, business policy, corporate finance, economic growth, EU policy, fund (EU), labour force, regional and local authorities, small and medium-sized enterprises **ISBN/ISSN:** 978-92-895-1019-6

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#### EVALUATION OF THE EXECUTIVE AGENCY FOR SMALL AND MEDIUM-SIZED ENTERPRISES (EASME). REPORT

**ABSTRACT**: The study provides the European Commission (Directorate General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs, DG GROW) with an evaluation of the Executive Agency for Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (EASME) during the reference period 2014-2016. The study evaluates whether the EASME has fulfilled its mandate in an effective and efficient way by considering key evaluation criteria. **Publication date:** 01-08-2019

Author: Deloitte , Directorate-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs (European Commission) , Valdani Vicari

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# INTELECTUAL PROPERTY



Report on the EU customs enforcement of intellectual property rights: Results of the EU border. 2018

#### REPORT ON THE EU CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS. RESULTS AT THE EU BORDER, 2018

**ABSTRACT**: The annual publication of the result of customs actions at EU external borders provides an opportunity to measure the scale of customs actions required to enforce intellectual property rights (IPR). The enforcement of IPR by customs is a priority for the Commission and for Member States.

Publication date: 18-09-2019

Author: Directorate-General for Taxation and Customs Union Link: CLICK HERE

**Key words:** activity report, customs, customs cooperation, customs inspection, customs union, intellectual property

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# IPR AS A TOOL FOR INTERNATIONALISATION. DESIGNS

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#### IP IN THE CREATIVE INDUSTRY

ABSTRACT: This guide addresses the Intellectual Property (IP) issues often faced by creative businesses in various sub-sectors of the creative industry in China. Publication date: 18-09-2019 Author: Executive Agency for Small and Medium-sized Enterprises Link: CLICK HERE Key words: artistic creation, China, copyright, guide, intellectual property, market protection, trademark ISBN/ISSN: 978-92-9202-625-7

# SKILLS: COMPETITIVENESS IN THE RAIL SECTOR



#### NEW SKILLS REQUIRED FOR THE FUTURE, SKILLS GAP PER STAFF CATEGORY IN THE RAILWAY SECTOR

**ABSTRACT**: The main aim of this report is to provide an analysis of the view-points offered by 27 participants during the foresight workshop on employment and skills situation in the European railway sector. The participants, mainly experts, policy specialists and social partners, were invited to react to the conclusions of the study on changes in employment and skills in the railway sector.

#### Publication date: 03-09-2019

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**Key words:** employment statistics, engineer, professional qualifications, rail network, rail transport, railway industry, report, skilled worker, transport staff, working conditions **ISBN/ISSN**: 978-92-95215-14-6



#### EMPLOYMENT AND SKILLS IN THE RAIL SECTOR. IMPACT ANALYSIS OF SHIFT2RAIL'S INNOVATION PROGRAMMES

**ABSTRACT**: S2R is an innovation initiative of the European Union and the railway sector for new technologies into the railway sector. The results of this S2R-innovation initiative need to be implemented into the sector over time. The S2R-initiative consist of five major Innovation Programmes (IPs) that themselves consists of a set of demonstrations of technical achievements. The aim of this report (D2) is to identify skill gaps in the railway sector connected to these IPs and TDs.

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**Key words:** engineer, innovation, new technology, professional qualifications, rail network, rail transport, railway industry, report, transport infrastructure, transport staff, value chain

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#### BUILDING BLOCKS FOR A NEW SKILLS ECOSYSTEM IN THE RAIL SECTOR. ASSESSMENT OF THE STATE OF PLAY IN EMPLOYMENT IN THE RAILWAY SECTOR

**ABSTRACT**: The Shift2Rail Joint Undertaking, is a public-private partnership in the rail sector, established under Horizon 2020, to provide a platform for coordinating research activities with a view to driving innovation in the rail sector in the years to come. This study analyses the socioeconomic aspects of human capital, notably the skills that will be needed in the future for the different categories of railway staff - from workers to engineers, railway managers and researchers.

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## Agriculture and Fisheries Council Highlights July 2019: MERCOSUR Agreement

Highlights of the Agriculture and Fisheries Council, taking place on 15 July 2019, in Brussels, among them, the EU-MERCOSUR agreement

# MEDIA COLLECTION



### **Digital** taxation

Taxation systems need to be fixed to make them effective and fair in a new digital era. In the ECOFIN Council, Ministers discuss the Commission's proposal on new rules to ensure that digital business activities are taxed in a fair way in the EU.



### European Professional Card (EPC)

The European Professional Card (EPC) is an electronic procedure you can use to have your professional qualifications recognised in another EU country. It is easier and quicker to manage than traditional qualification recognition procedures, and more transparent.



### DESI 2019 – The Digital Economy and Society Index

The Digital Economy and Society Index (DESI) is a composite index that summarises relevant indicators on Europe's digital performance and tracks the evolution of EU member states in digital competitiveness.



# The Customs Decisions System (CDS)

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