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Opening Remarks

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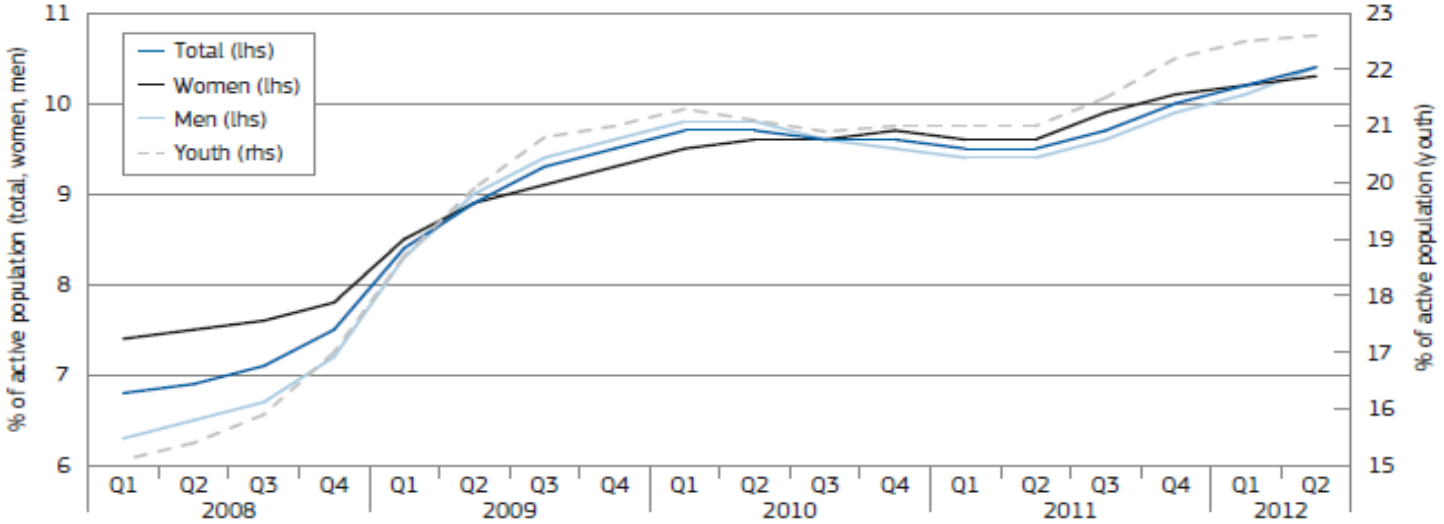
Chart 7: Unemployment rates in the EU, by gender and for youth (15-24 year-olds), 2008Q1 - 2012Q2



Source: Eurostat, EU-LFS and DG EMPL calculations.

Unemployment and long-term unemployment rates in % of active population, 2011

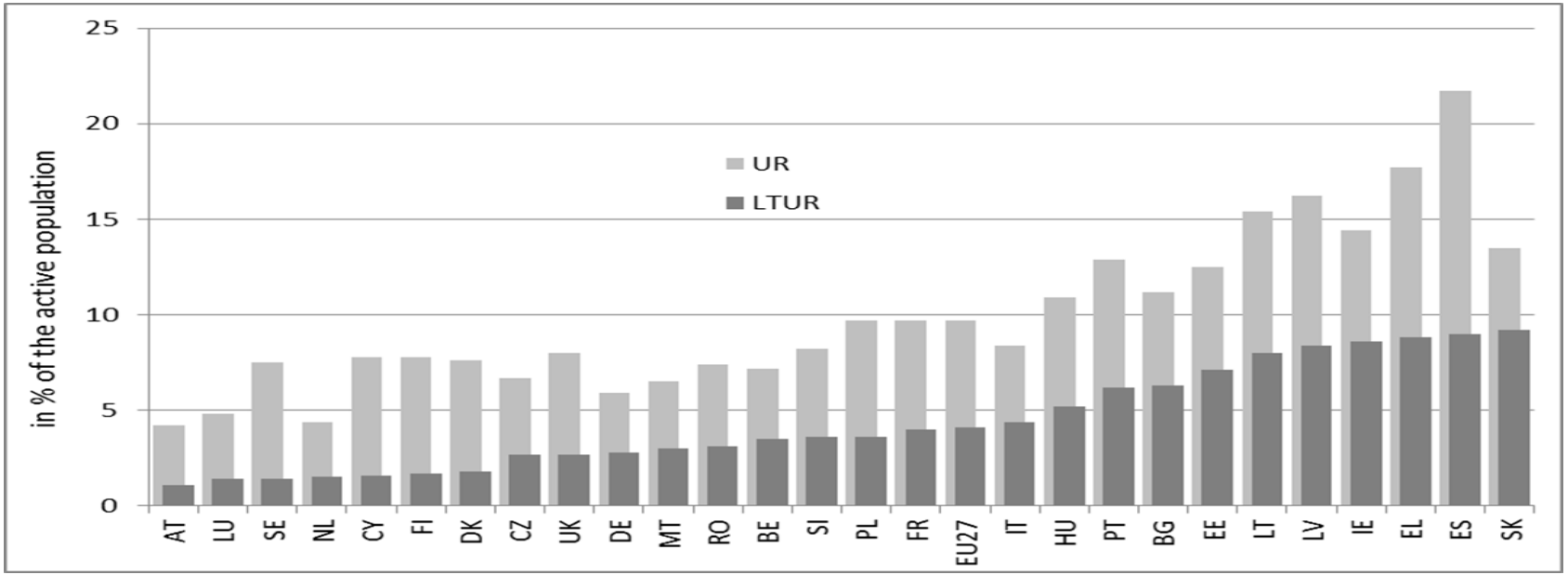
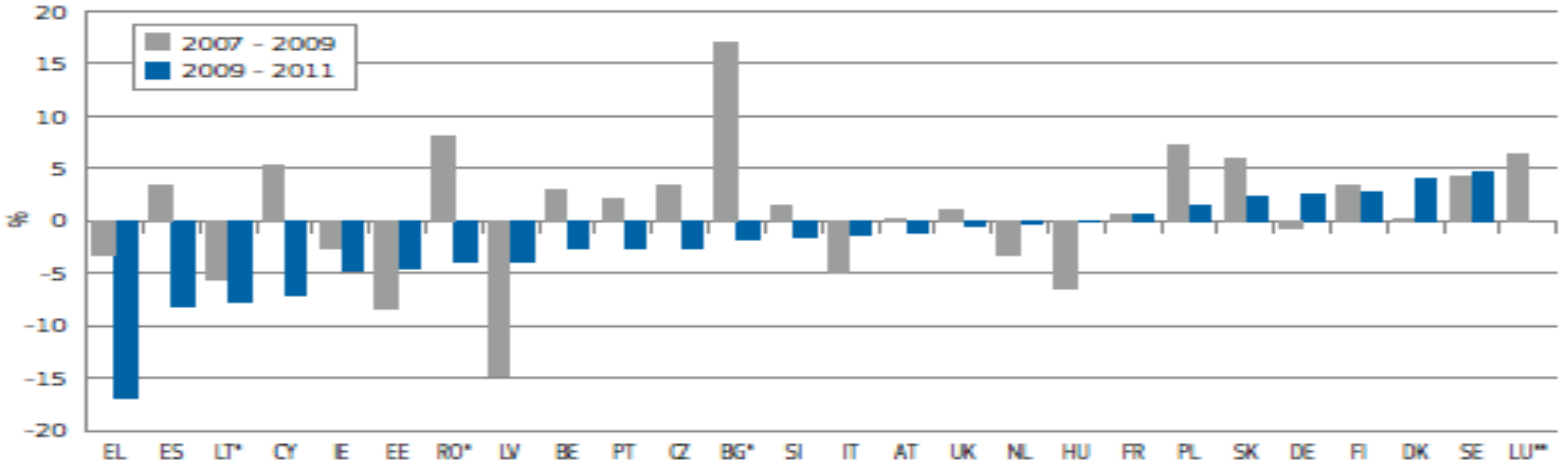


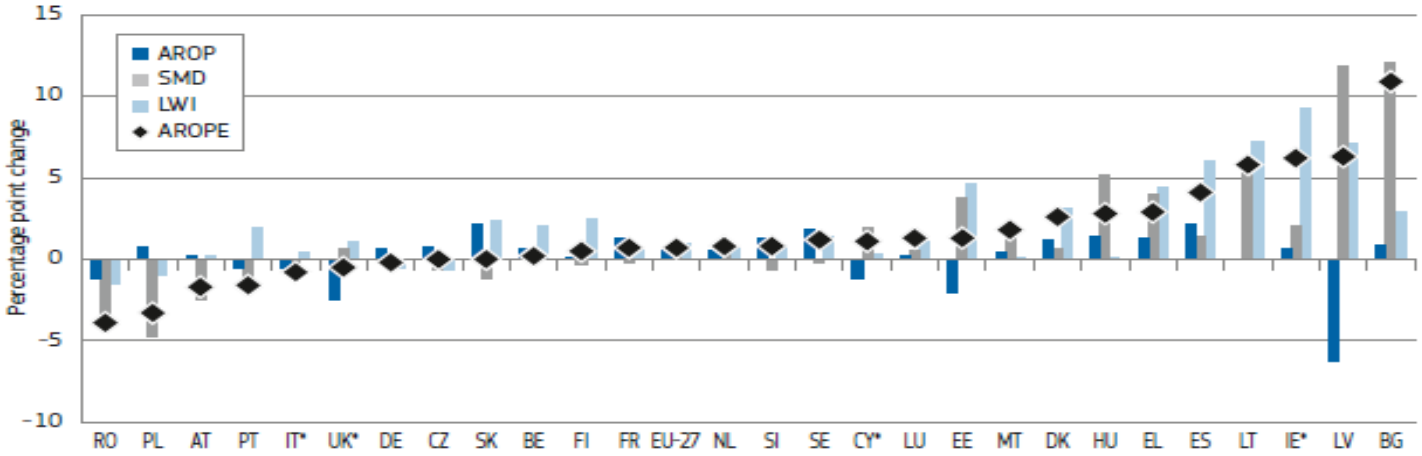
Chart 28: Change in real gross household disposable income in the first and second phases of the crisis, percent, EU-27



Source: AMECO – National Accounts.

Note: * – data is only available until 2010, ** – data is only available until 2009, – data is deflated by the HICP.

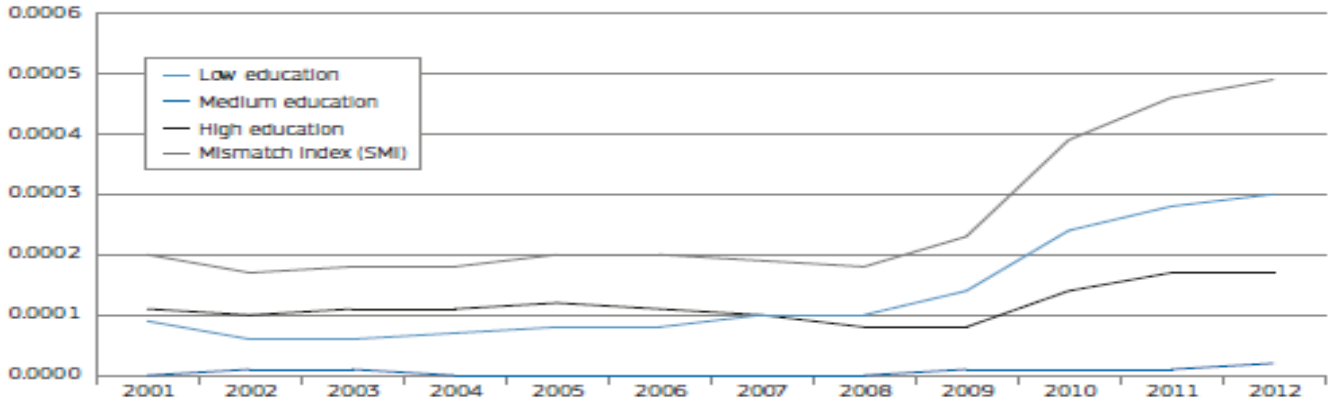
Chart 35: Change in the risk of poverty and social exclusion and its components in Member States between 2008 and 2011



Source: Eurostat, EU-SILC.

Notes: The income reference period is a fixed 12-month period (such as the previous calendar or tax year) for all countries except the United Kingdom for which the income reference period is the current year of the survey and Ireland for which the survey is continuous and income is collected for the 12 months prior to the survey. AROP: at-risk-of poverty rate (60% of median income); SMD: severe material deprivation; LWI: people (0-59 not students) living households with zero or very low work intensity; AROPE: at-risk-of-poverty or exclusion rate (union of all three indicators). Changes for Ireland and Italy are to 2010 instead of 2011, and for EU-27 are based on Eurostat estimates.

Chart 5: Skill mismatch index (SMI) by level of educational attainment, EU-27

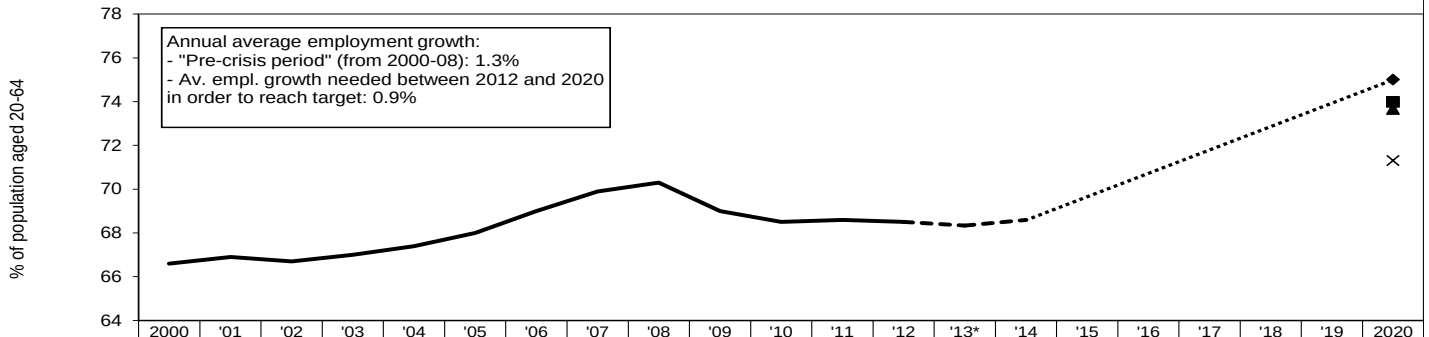


Source: Cedefop calculations based on Eurostat data.

Notes: The SMI has been derived following the methodology of Estevao and Tsounta (2011) and the ECB (2012). The education levels are separated according to the ISCED classification i.e. *High education:* ISCED 5-6; *Medium education:* ISCED 3-4; *Low education:* ISCED 0-2.

EU27 – Progress towards the EU employment headline target

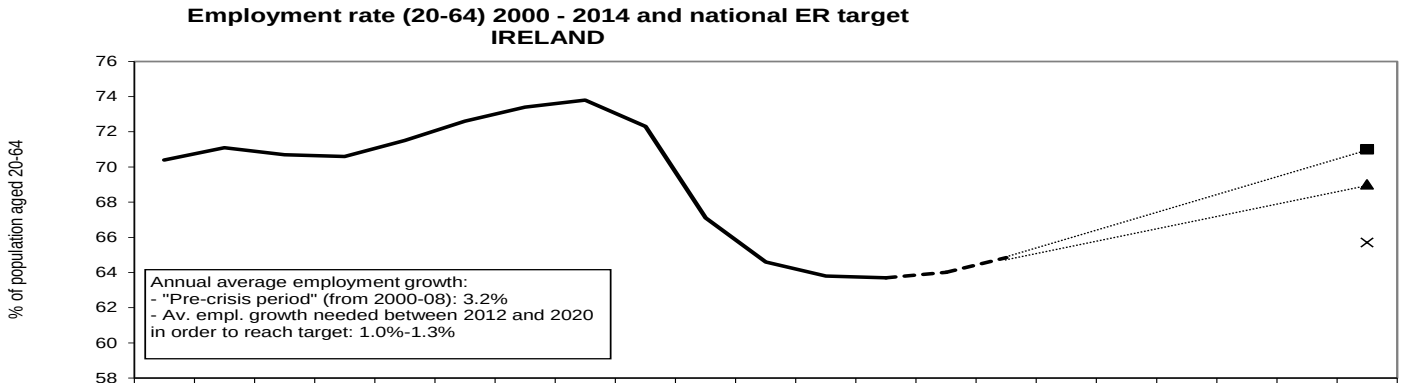
EU-27 employment rate (20-64) 2000 - 2014 and headline ER target



	2000	'01	'02	'03	'04	'05	'06	'07	'08	'09	'10	'11	'12	'13*	'14	'15	'16	'17	'18	'19	2020
Employment rate (ER)	66.6	66.9	66.7	67.0	67.4	68.0	69.0	69.9	70.3	69.0	68.5	68.6	68.5	68.3	68.6						
◆ EU27 ER headline target																					75
▲ 2020 ER acc. to nat. targets (lower bound)**																					73.7
■ 2020 ER acc. to nat. targets (upper bound)**																					74.0
× Projected ER if no policy change***																					71.3

Sources and notes:
Employment rates 2000-2012: Eurostat, EU LFS;
* Estimated values based on employment growth forecasts from Commission Spring Forecast 2013 and projected population growth from Europop 2010 population projections;
** National employment rate targets from National Reform Programme 2011;
*** Projected employment rate under the assumption that no policy change takes place between 2010 and 2020, EPC Aging Working Group 2012 Aging Report.

IRELAND - Progress towards the national employment rate target



	2000	'01	'02	'03	'04	'05	'06	'07	'08	'09	'10	'11	'12	'13*	'14*	'15	'16	'17	'18	'19	2020
Employment rate (ER)	70.4	71.1	70.7	70.6	71.5	72.6	73.4	73.8	72.3	67.1	64.6	63.8	63.7	64.0	64.8						
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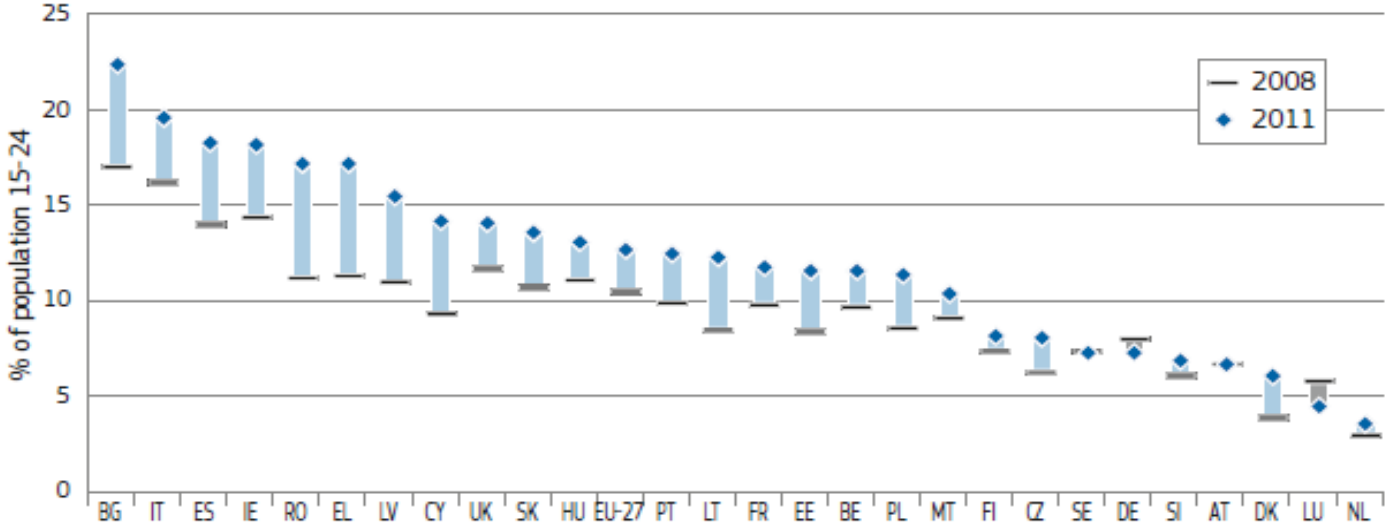
Chart 12: NEETs in the EU Member States, 2008-2011



Source: Eurostat, EU-LFS.

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