Tax reforms in EU Member States 2015

Carefully designed tax systems can help ensure stable public finances, boost growth, employment and competitiveness, and contribute to a fair distribution of income.

LATEST TRENDS IN TAXATION

Over the last years, Member States have increased the overall tax burden. However, in 2015, it is expected to slightly decrease.

In particular, because social security contributions are expected to decrease.

High taxation on labour* Housing taxation

Low VAT compliance

VAT Compliance

Around 15% of the EU’s potential VAT revenue (EUR 168 billion) is lost due to fraud and evasion, tax avoidance, bankruptcy, financial insolvency and misclassifications.

VAT gap in the EU as % of VAT theoretical tax liability (2013: no data for CY and FI)

10% 20% 30% 40%

**CY Overview for the specific labour market groups

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