

# Single Market Scoreboard

Performance by Member State

# **Estonia**

(Reporting period: 2012 - 2013)



## **Transposition of law**

Estonia has not been able to maintain its best ever result of a 0.1 % transposition deficit over the past six months. However, it must be said that its 0.6 % transposition backlog of internal market relevant directives (half of it relating to environment) is below the 1 % deadline agreed. However, Estonia has failed to transpose three directives for which the transposition deadline is two years or more overdue.

The average delay in the transposition of overdue directives has halved over the past year and is now 13.8 months, which is above the EU average of 9.6 months.

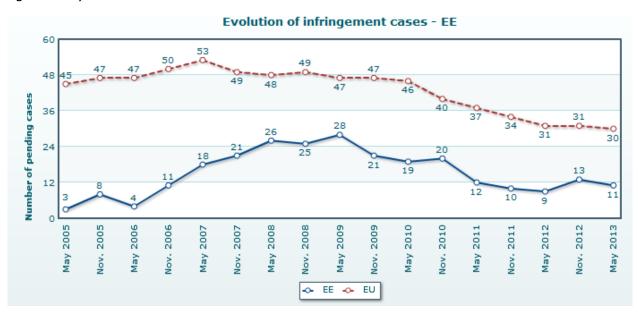


In relation to the conformity of measures communicated to the Commission, the Estonian compliance deficit is in line with the proposal from the Single Market Act for a  $0.5\,\%$  target at  $0.4\,\%$ .



## **Infringements**

Estonia remains one of the EU Member States with the fewest pending infringement proceedings relating to the internal market, after decreasing its level of pending infringement cases by two in the past six months. With only 11 pending infringement proceedings remaining - a number of which concern taxation, air transport and water protection - Estonia has achieved a level far below the EU average (30 cases). Estonia has also performed well in relation to the speed of resolving infringements, remaining over ten months below the EU average duration of infringement cases (16.1 months against 27).



#### **EU Pilot**

The average response time of Estonia respects the 70-day benchmark in EU Pilot.

# **Internal Market Information System**

- 1. Requests accepted within one week: 83 % (EU average: 74 %)
- 2. Requests answered within the mutually agreed deadline: 80 % (EU average: 64 %)
- 3. Average time taken to reply to requests: 15 days (EU average: 22 days)

IMI is running well in Estonia, with results above the EU average in all three areas measured.

The speed in accepting requests is among the fastest in the EU.

Estonia deals with a very low number of requests and further efforts could be made to increase overall usage of IMI. Awareness-raising activities are recommended, especially in the area of Services.

#### **EURES**

Eesti Töötukassa is the EURES member organisation responsible for providing EURES services in Estonia. There are currently four EURES advisers in Estonia. The overall performance is relatively good, but the quality of the PES job vacancy exchange with EURES could be considerably improved.

### **Your Europe**

Estonia provides information for citizens and enterprises on a national portal, including in English, and is cooperating very well with the Commission services as regards Your Europe.

Estonia should continue to invest in and promote Your Europe by:

- providing information on how Estonia applies single market rules when asked for via the Editorial Board member;
- attending the Editorial Board meetings organised twice a year;
- raising awareness about Your Europe within the national administrations;
- promoting Your Europe via national websites, information offices and events.

#### **SOLVIT**

In the reporting period (March 2012 to February 2013), the Estonian SOLVIT centre submitted five cases and received only one case. Due to the small number of cases, the case handling performance has not been evaluated.

# **Points of Single Contact**

The Estonian Point of Single Contact is part of the general e-government portal in Estonia.

The Estonian PSC is well established and it scores well in almost all assessment categories.

Further improvements could be made above all for cross-border service provision, to make a clear distinction between requirements for establishment and those for cross-border service provision. Some further efforts should also be undertaken to ensure cross-border access to e-procedures.