

Single Market Scoreboard

Performance by Member State

Slovenia

(Reporting period: 2012 - 2013)

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Transposition of law

Slovenia has substantially increased the number of directives outstanding related to the single market. It now has a deficit of $1.5\,\%$, a score well-above the $1.0\,\%$ transposition deficit target agreed by EU Member States and more than double the EU average transposition deficit (0.7 %). Most of the outstanding directives relate to environment and social policy.

Slovenia has not respected the "zero tolerance" target; it failed to transpose three directives that are now more than two years overdue. They concern the common rules for the single market in natural gas and electricity, and the geological storage of carbon dioxide. In addition, Slovenia's delay in the transposition of directives with respect to their deadlines has increased by almost two months from 11.6 in May 2013 to 13.5 months now, exceeding the EU average of 7.3 months by more than six months.



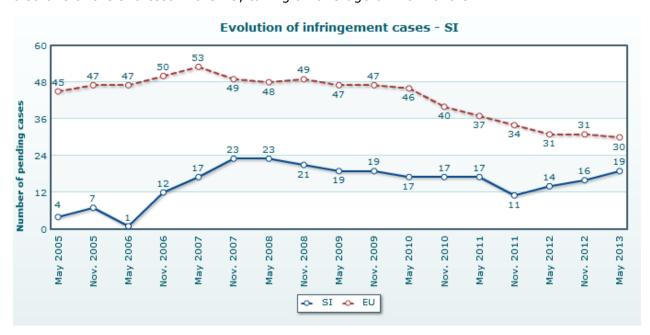
In relation to the conformity of measures communicated to the Commission, the Slovenian compliance deficit is the same as the EU average of 0.7 %.



Infringements

The number of Slovenian pending infringement proceedings related to the single market - at 19 - is well below the EU average of 30; four of them relate to waste management.

Slovenian infringement cases continue to be the shortest among the EU Member States at 20.7 months, compared with the EU average of 27.9 months. However, it should be noted that, in May 2013, Slovenian pending cases used to be resolved in a much shorter time of 15.3 months. The time lag between court rulings and compliance with EU law is also one of the shortest in the EU, taking an average of 7.6 months.



EU Pilot

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

Internal Market Information System

- 1. Requests accepted within one week: 81 % (EU average: 74 %)
- 2. Requests answered within the mutually agreed deadline: 56 % (EU average: 64 %)
- 3. Average time taken to reply to requests: 23 days (EU average: 22 days)

Slovenia performs rather well in general. However, more effort should be invested to reducing the time taken to answer requests and to respect the mutually agreed deadlines.

More awareness-raising activities targeted at the authorities registered for the legal areas of the Professional qualifications and Services could also increase their usage of IMI.

EURES

The Employment Service of Slovenia is the EURES member organisation responsible for providing EURES services in Slovenia. There are currently 20 EURES advisers in Slovenia.

The overall performance is good, but the quality of the PES job vacancy exchange with EURES could be considerably improved.

Your Europe

Slovenia provides information to citizens and enterprises on a national portal in the national language. Cooperation with the Commission services regarding Your Europe has however been very limited during the reporting period, both in terms of provision of national content and work of the Editorial Board.

Slovenia should continue to invest in its national website and more in particular in multilingual information, and furthermore commit itself to cooperate with the Commission services as regards Your Europe by:

- providing all missing information on how the Slovenia applies single market rules and reply to any further requests addressed to the Editorial Board member;
- ensuring attendance at 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

The Slovenian SOLVIT centre deals with a small number of cases (19). In the reporting period (March 2012 to February 2013), the caseload was lower than in the previous 12 months (14 home cases and 5 lead cases in the reporting period compared with 26 home cases and 14 lead cases).

Due to the small number of cases, the case handling performance as Lead centre has not been evaluated.

The Slovenian SOLVIT centre is slow in responding to clients (average 10 days, target is 7 days). The overall time the Slovenian SOLVIT centre takes to prepare a case for submission to another SOLVIT centre is good (9 days).

Remark: The Slovenian SOLVIT centre should improve its response time to clients.

Points of Single Contact

Slovenia launched a new Point of Single Contact for foreign users in 2012. According to the plans of the Slovenian authorities it will be developed and enhanced in the coming years (plans run until 2015). It is a basic portal that provides information so far on a limited number of activities and the completion of procedures for cross-border users does not seem to be possible at the moment.

Slovenian users are directed to the e-government portal, which scores weakly in almost all assessment categories.

Further improvements should be made on both websites. A distinction is made between the requirements applicable to foreign businesses considering permanent establishment and those considering temporary cross-border service provision but this should be further enhanced.

The usage figures for the Slovenian PSC show a slight increase in website traffic compared to 2011. It originates mostly from domestic users.

Slovenian authorities have a clear plan for the PSC's development in 2013. This work should further improve its functioning.