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Introduction

Key publications of the European Union is a catalogue presenting a selection of priced and free-of-charge publications published by the Publications Office, the European Union's publisher. It is a booklet promoting the most recent and most popular titles of the EU institutions and other bodies, including:

- the *Official Journal of the European Union*, the flagship publication, indicating the content and the various subscription options;
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Entries for each publication indicate the title, the subtitle, a short description of the content, language availability, bibliographical information (year of publication, number of pages, format, ISBN and catalogue number) and price.

The structure of this catalogue is organised by theme — see the list on page VI. For easier searching, you will find two indexes: thematic and alphabetical.

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History and memories

The ink on the Rome Treaties of 25 March 1957 was hardly dry when the Commission set itself up for business on 1 January 1958 in Brussels with an agenda covering all areas of the economic life of the six founder countries: France, Germany, Italy and the three Benelux countries of Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg.

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The money is primarily spent, therefore, on reducing income and social disparities across the EU, promoting the mobility which open internal borders make possible, on freedom, security and justice within the EU's external borders, and on reinforcing the EU's cultural diversity. Significant sums are also spent outside its borders because the EU's economic and political weight in the world confers global responsibilities.



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The booklet reports 50 stories about what the EU has achieved so far: for example, how millions of young people can now study abroad, how '.eu' is building a new European identity on the Internet, what Europe has done to help bring down the cost of air travel but also how we are producing cleaner cars and even how European police catch more criminals by cooperating better. Moreover, every story has a web link to find out more about the subject, and some even have a link to a short video on the Internet.



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They pool their sovereignty by taking joint decisions through shared institutions such as the European Parliament, which is elected by the EU citizens, and the Council, which represents national government. They decide on the basis of proposals from the European Commission, which represents the interests of the EU as a whole. But what does each of these institutions do? How do they work together? Who is responsible for what? This booklet sets out the answers in clear and simple language. It also gives a brief overview of the agencies and other bodies that are involved in the European Union's work. The aim is to provide you with a helpful guide to EU decision-making.



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What is the European Parliament? Why and how did it come into being? What does it do? What powers does it have and what is its political weight? Where does it stand in relation to the other institutions of the European Union? What goals does it have for Europe and the world and how do these ambitions affect the daily lives of the peoples of Europe? What new challenges is it now facing? Lastly, what is the Parliament doing for you and why should you not miss the chance to vote for your MEP?

These are, of course, just some of the questions which might be asked, but this brochure provides clear and concise answers to them; answers which will show that ultimately the European Parliament is right next door to you, the citizens of Europe, and represents you every day.



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EU agencies — whatever you do, we work for you

From Stockholm to Crete and from Lisbon to Warsaw, 29 agencies provide service, information and know-how to the people of the European Union and beyond. The agencies work within many different fields such as environment, food safety, transportation, trade marks, education, or fundamental rights.

This brochure dedicates a page to each of the agencies, describing their work and giving contact details.



Troubled waters

Discover the European Parliament!

A comic book following the adventures of a Member of the European Parliament. Subjects tackled are protection of the environment and aeroplane safety, with large financial interests. The story is fictional, but the legislative procedures described accurately reflect reality.



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Rural development in the European Union

Statistical and Economic Information Report CD-ROM included

With the evolution of the common agricultural policy, rural development gained in importance and information needs have also evolved. For this reason, the Directorate-General for Agriculture and Rural Development now prepares an annual, specific report aiming to provide, on a regular basis, comprehensive information on rural areas and the implementation of the EU's rural development policy.

The aims of the policy have been simplified and clarified around three clearly defined economic, environmental and territorial objectives:

- improving the competitiveness of agriculture and forestry;
- improving the environment and the countryside;
- improving the quality of life in rural areas and encouraging diversification of economic activity.



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Agricultural statistics

The pocketbook *Agricultural statistics* presents selected tables and graphs providing an overview of developments and the situation in the agricultural sector of the European Union. The most recent data are presented here (reference years 2006 and 2007, primarily) showing the situation in the 27 Member States and at the European level (EU-27).



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Cat. No: KS-ED-08-001-EN-C

Free



Available only in English (EN)
2008 — 190 pp.
ISBN 978-92-79-08736-3
Cat. No: KS-30-08-339-EN-C

Free

From farm to fork statistics

This pocketbook provides the reader with statistical information on how the food chain evolves in Europe; it gives different indicators for each step of the production–consumption chain, including food and feed. It provides a summary of the data currently available in the ‘Food: from farm to fork’ database. The outline shadows the approach taken by the European Commission on food safety policy, and thus all the indicators presented have been developed with this in mind. This publication may be viewed as a compendium of the data available on food and the food chain within Eurostat.

Financial Regulation and implementing rules applicable to the general budget of the European Communities

Synoptic presentation

And a selection of legal texts relevant to establishing and implementing the budget

Designed for practical use, this compendium contains the main legal texts which set out the regulatory framework for the management of EU funds, in particular the financial regulation and its implementing rules.

The financial regulation is the European Union's pivotal point of reference for the principles and procedures governing the establishment and implementation of the EU budget and the control of the European Communities' finances. The implementing rules contain detailed and more technical rules, essential for the day-to-day application of the financial regulation.



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European Union Public Finance

This is the fourth edition of *European Union Public Finance*. Like its predecessors, it comes out at a key moment for European integration.

The purpose of this publication is to provide an insight into Community public finances that, if not exhaustive, is at least wide-ranging and accurate and to gain a better understanding of the financial aspects of the process of building Europe.

The finances of the European Union are in constant development. The system they represent is both a legacy of the past, which explains some of its complexity, and an ongoing effort to improve and adapt. Further changes will be needed in the years ahead.



Available in German (DE), English (EN) and French (FR)
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European Economic Statistics

This flagship publication on European economic statistics gives a wide-ranging overview of economic developments over recent years in the European Union, its Member States and selected partner countries.

The publication covers key economic indicators available at Eurostat, including national accounts, government finances, balance of payments, foreign trade, prices, monetary and financial accounts, and the labour market.



Available only in English (EN)
2008 — 224 pp. — 21 x 29.7 cm
ISBN 978-92-79-08886-5
Cat. No: KS-30-08-410-EN-C

Price (excluding VAT):

€20

Economic Forecast — Spring 2008

European Economy — Report No 1/2008

In its spring 2008 economic forecast, the European Commission discusses the economic situation and outlook for the euro area and the 27 Member States of the European Union, as well as the candidate countries and the EU's main economic partners.

The euro area and EU economies are expected to slow down this year. The weaker economic outlook is due to continued distress in financial markets, the marked slowdown in the United States, soaring commodity prices and a resulting cooling of global trade. The economies of the euro area and the EU have proved to be relatively resilient so far on the back of sound fundamentals. However, Europe cannot escape the global headwinds unaffected and, overall, compared with the autumn 2007 forecast, the Commission has in this spring 2008 review revised GDP growth down by about one half of a percentage point for both this year and next.

EMU@10

Successes and challenges after ten years of Economic and Monetary Union

European Economy — Report No 2/2008

At the beginning of May 1998, European Union leaders took the historic decision to launch the third stage of economic and monetary union — the euro — on 1 January 1999. Ten years later 320 million European citizens share the single currency and enjoy its benefits. This key report provides an assessment of the first decade of economic and monetary union and identifies the goals and challenges facing the euro area.



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Convergence Report 2008

European Economy — Report No 3/2008

Convergence reports examine whether Member States satisfy the conditions for adopting the single currency. They are issued by the European Commission and the European Central Bank every two years, or more often if a country intending to join the euro requests it. These reports form the basis for the decision on whether a Member State may join the euro area.

This report, adopted on 7 May 2008, is a regular biennial report and examines progress towards convergence in 10 Member States with a derogation: Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Sweden. It contains the report from the Commission — COM(2008) 248 final — and the accompanying staff working paper, which provides a more detailed analysis of how well the criteria have been met by all countries assessed. The report concludes that Slovakia now meets the conditions to join the euro area.



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Economic Forecast — Autumn 2008

European Economy — Report No 6/2008

Autumn economic forecast 2008–10: GDP growth comes close to a standstill in the EU and euro area

The Commission's autumn forecasts show that the EU economies are strongly affected by the financial crisis, which is aggravating housing-market correction in several economies at a time when external demand is fading rapidly. While the important measures taken to stabilise financial markets have begun to restore confidence, the situation remains precarious and the risks to the forecasts significant. As a result, employment is set to increase only marginally in 2009–10, after the six million new jobs created in 2007–08, and unemployment is expected to rise by about 1 percentage point over the forecast period after being at its lowest for more than a decade.



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Energy — Yearly statistics 2006

This publication contains information on EU Member States and candidate countries, as well as on Iceland and Norway in the form of time series. The first chapter presents the principal components of the energy balance and the evolution of the main energy indicators since 2000. The second chapter presents trends in energy supply and consumption by type of fuel. Further details on the evolution of the use of each commodity are covered in Chapters 3 to 7.



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Panorama of energy

Energy statistics to support EU policies and solutions



Available only in English (EN)
2007 — 138 pp. — 21 x 29.7 cm
ISBN 978-92-79-11151-8
Cat. No: KS-GH-09-001-EN-C

Price (excluding VAT):

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2009 edition

This second edition of the *Panorama on energy* endeavours to deliver global characteristics of the energy situation in Europe, using the most recent official data available in Eurostat. It covers the main energy themes for the EU-27 as well as for each individual Member State and quantifies them. Community energy policies receive deserved attention and, in order to demonstrate the dynamic nature of the subject and how new policies call for new solutions, a few statistical projects will illustrate recent development work in cooperation with the Member States.

A CD-ROM is included which, apart from a substantial amount of documentary information, invites the reader to review statistical data by means of an easy-to-use numerical presentation tool.

Climate for a transport change

EEA Report No 1/2008

TERM 2007: indicators tracking transport and environment in the European Union

The objective of this report is to indicate some of the main challenges to reducing the environmental impacts of transport and to make suggestions to improve the environmental performance of the transport system as a whole. The report examines issues centred on transport and climate change, which need to be addressed in the coming years.



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Effectiveness of environmental taxes and charges for managing sand, gravel and rock extraction in selected EU countries



EEA Report No 2/2008

This study provides an *ex post* effectiveness evaluation of taxes on natural resources, i.e. sand, gravel and rock (also called aggregates), as a market-based instrument (MBI) to promote resource productivity and hence reduce environmental impacts. Charges have also been reviewed to explore their potential contribution to sustainable resource management.

Available only in English (EN)
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European forests — ecosystem conditions and sustainable use

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Despite political commitment, Europe is struggling to halt the loss of biodiversity by 2010. Forests, as the hosts of much of the biological diversity in Europe, are vital to this debate. Any initiative designed to halt the biodiversity loss in Europe must take forests into account.



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This indicator report shows how temperature is increasing, sea levels are rising, glaciers, ice sheets and sea ice are melting, precipitation is changing, and the intensity and frequency of weather extremes in many regions is increasing. It also underlines the cascade of consequences including an increased risk of floods and droughts, losses of biodiversity, threats to human health, and damage to economic sectors such as energy, transport, forestry, agriculture and tourism.

The report highlights that more action is needed towards halting biodiversity loss and maintaining the resilience of ecosystems because of their essential role in regulating the global climate system.



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Greenhouse gas emission trends and projections in Europe 2008 — Tracking progress towards Kyoto targets

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This is based on their past greenhouse gas emissions between 1990 and 2006, and the projected greenhouse gas emissions of these countries during the Kyoto commitment period 2008–12 and for 2020, derived from data and related information they provided before 1 June 2008.



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Cat. No: TH-AL-08-005-EN-C

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Energy and environment report 2008



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This report assesses the key drivers, environmental pressures and some impacts from the production and consumption of energy, taking into account the main objectives of the European policy on energy and environment including: security of supply, competitiveness, increased energy efficiency and renewable energy, and environmental sustainability. The report addresses six main policy questions and presents trends existing within the EU compared with other countries.

EEA Signals 2009

Key environmental issues facing Europe

Signals is published at the start of each year and provides snapshot stories on issues of interest both to the environmental policy debate and the wider public for the upcoming year.

The eight stories addressed are not exhaustive but have been selected on the basis of their relevance to the current environmental policy debate in Europe. They address priority issues of climate change, nature of biodiversity, the use of natural resources and health.



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Transboundary shipments of waste

EEA Report No 1/2009

This report sets out what we do and do not know about transboundary shipments of waste. It presents the international and EU legislation on waste shipment and information about the increasing quantities of shipped hazardous and problematic waste between EU Member States as well as shipments from EU Member States to other non-EU countries.

Water resources across Europe — confronting water scarcity and drought

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Despite the vast amount of water on the planet, decades of unsustainable management mean that water shortages have reached crisis point in many regions.

Until now, most Europeans have been insulated from the social, economic and environmental impacts of severe water shortages. But as demand increases and the global climate changes, is Europe becoming more susceptible?

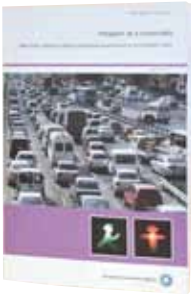


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The current economic turmoil may lessen the demand for transport but the transport sector still contributes significantly to rising emissions of greenhouse gases, noise exposure, air pollution, fragmentation of habitats and impacts on wildlife.

The Transport and Environment Reporting Mechanism (TERM) report for 2008 highlights this trend. Although there is growing awareness of the transport sector's disproportionate impact on the environment, the report shows that there is little evidence of improved performance or a shift to sustainable transport across Europe.



What scorching weather!

This illustrated children's book on Tom and his friend Lila the fox tells us about heat ... too much heat! The forest is on fire — but so is the planet on which Tom and Lila and all of us are supposed to live.

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Tom's friend Timmy is in hospital because he was unlucky playing with a toy that was not safe. So Tom and his companion, Lila the fox, want to cheer him up by bringing him a present. But this is not as easy as it sounds — what can Tom and Lila do to be sure the present is safe?

The Blue Island

From the top of her favourite rock, Lila the fox gazed at the ocean. A warm breeze ruffled her fur. 'How beautiful the sea is!' Every day here on Blue Island was absolute bliss! But suddenly, from the harbour, came the sound of shouting. Lila pricked up her ears and twitched her whiskers.

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Climate change is one of the greatest threats facing the planet. If the Earth's temperature rises by more than 2 °C, the long-term consequences could be immense. The objective is to stabilise the emissions by 2020 and then cut to around half of their 1990 levels by 2050. In this free booklet you will find clear explanations of the European Union's energy policy and of the role of technologies in fighting climate change. You will also find a short guide on how to reduce our carbon footprint by changing some of our habits, at home, in the car and in our everyday life.



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Faster and more united?

The debate about Europe's crisis response capacity

This book leads the discussion on how the EU can use its resources to respond more effectively to the contemporary challenges in civilian crisis response. It presents a comprehensive collection of writings and personal insights on the current state of play and future directions of European crisis response. Divided into six sections, it brings together experts from EU institutions, European think-tanks and universities, as well as high-ranking officials from the EU military staff and experienced practitioners from non-governmental organisations. Pictures from renowned photojournalists complement the texts throughout.



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From early warning to early action?

The debate on the enhancement of the EU's crisis response capability continues



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Price (excluding VAT):

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This new book is a collection of writings illustrating the progress made in these areas against the background of discussion and input from policy experts and practitioners in the field. It builds on the range of views aired at the Commission's conference 'From early warning to early action', held in November 2007, involving more than 900 diplomats, officers, practitioners, scholars and advocates, representing all facets of the network of European crisis responders.

The book — one of the few comprehensive examinations of crisis response and preparedness in action — is divided into four main parts: partnership-building, mediation and peacekeeping, natural resource wars, and trans-regional threats, early warning and intelligence.

It is a follow-up to *Faster and more united?*, an overview of the discussion on the EU's crisis response capacity published in 2006.



The European Union and the Commonwealth of Independent States

Statistical comparison

This publication is the result of a working project between the Interstate Statistical Committee of the Commonwealth of Independent States (CISSTAT) and the Statistical Office of the European Communities (Eurostat); Unit E5 — International statistical cooperation. The aim is to offer a comprehensive comparison of statistics in the last 10-year period. The 12 chapters cover a wide range of subjects such as population, employment, economy, agriculture and forestry, energy, industry and international trade in goods and services. A similar publication was issued in 1995, but then showed a snapshot of the situation.



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Vade-mecum à l'usage du corps diplomatique for use of the diplomatic corps décembre 2008

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This publication comprises: a list of the Heads of Missions of non-Community countries based in Brussels and the date of taking up their posts; the missions accredited to the European Commission and their staff; the representatives of international organisations accredited to the European Commission and their staff; national holidays in non-Community countries and the protocol for the use of the European Commission's diplomatic corps.



Panorama on tourism

This Panorama is the third edition of this publication on tourism. It provides an overview on structural aspects of tourism in Europe and its evolution since 2000 in the EU Member States, candidate and EFTA countries. The publication consists of tables, graphs and maps combined with an analytical text. Main features of the tourism sector in Europe, structure and evolution of the accommodation industry and the travel patterns of European tourists are three key issues of this publication which concludes with a country-specific description of tourism in the 27 Member States of the European Union.



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Volume 1

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