EUROPEAN SEMESTER TOOLKIT

INPUTS FOR MID-TERM FISCAL-STRUCTURAL PLANS

TUSLO MEETING 11-13 JUNE 2024
BUILDING BLOCK STRATEGY

BLOCK 1: ANTI-AUSTERITY ACTION.
Providing inputs, ideas and actions that promote reforms and policy priorities in national plans that aim at social progress and upward convergence of working and living conditions, in opposition to austerity-driven reforms.

BLOCK 2: INVESTMENTS FOR SUSTAINABILITY AND QUALITY JOBS.
Providing inputs for investments using as criteria sustainability, employment creation and quality jobs, in opposition to criteria that gives priority to fiscal sustainability.

BLOCK 3: TRADE UNION INVOLVEMENT AND CAPACITY BUILDING.
Establishing plans and solidarity measures to ensure that trade union involvement is ensured at European level and with equal opportunities for all ETUC member in all member states.
TRADE UNION INVOLVEMENT

• STEP A. SUBMISSION OF A REQUEST TO BE CONSULTED AT EARLY STAGE DURING THE DRAFTING OF NATIONAL PLANS

• STEP B. BEING TIMELY IN PROVIDING COORDINATED INPUTS FOR NATIONAL PLANS

• STEP C. BUILDING TRADE UNION INPUTS
TRADE UNION INVOLVEMENT

• the ETUC proposes a tool for its members to get oriented amid a large number of EU programmes that contribute to these 4 policy areas.

• A ETUC-crafted search engine will suggest policy/investment options amid about 700 possibilities selected from the main programmes that contribute to the 4 EU main policy areas above. In this way, ETUC members (coordinated by TUSLO) can start building their set of proposals using a framework that is common to all EU Countries.
COORDINATED INPUTS

- As matter of coordination we suggest to be more specific in areas in which we have decided to focus our common efforts on:
  - **labour market inclusiveness** and achievement of Porto targets on employment.
  - **Just transition measures**, including the Porto’s targets on education and skills
  - **Adequacy of social protection**, including Porto’s target on poverty reduction
COORDIANATED INPUTS

- As matter of coordination, the ETUC proposes minimum coordination requirements for 2 areas of work
  - Social investments, building on the exercise made by the Spanish and Belgian Presidencies and DG employment (see guidelines)
  - Progressive taxation, building on ETUC priorities for progressive taxation that supports more solidarity in labour and social protection policies (see guidelines).
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Investment for sustainable growth, social progress and job creation. Trade union inputs.

Your government is deciding what investments are needed by your country for the next 4 or 7 years (Mid-term Fiscal-Structural Plans submitted to the EU Commission by 20th September 2024). Please list the investments that you consider an absolute priority for your country. The Government will chose fiscal-sustainability as main criteria. European trade unions have decided to prioritise investments that lead to job creation, quality jobs and sustainable growth.
Investment for sustainable growth, social progress and job creation.
Trade union inputs.

Option 1: Click on policy area and choose an IIP programme, then select the investment item you desire from the list or propose a new item.

Option 2: Type key words to select the investment items you are looking for.

Please select the investment that you receive in order to debug it.
A filter on our right.

Please, use the form below to send any comments, suggestions or feedback related to the development of the list. We are open to receive your comments and suggestions on how we can improve our information and support to trade unions on investment matters.

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[Diagram with various investment items and options for selection]
Investment priorities

Please, use this box to add investments that are not in the list or to provide a narrative of the investment effort that your government has to put in place, explaining, for instance, how to finance them.
Anti-Austerity measures in National plans

Please, use this box to add policy/reform items that are not in the list or to provide narrative of the investment effort needed by your government, explaining, for instance, how to finance them.
STEP A. SUBMISSION OF A REQUEST TO BE CONSULTED AT EARLY STAGE DURING THE DRAFTING OF NATIONAL PLANS
SUBMIT DEMAND TO GOV ON THE 21st

• reforms and investment in Mid-Term Fiscal Structural Plans (from now on: national plans), asking that a first meeting will take place immediately after the presentation of fiscal trajectory by the EU Commission

• Copy in: DG Employment and ETUC
IN the letter to Govs

- Gouvernements position vis-à-vis the fiscal trajectory as proposed by the Commission
- Counterproposals made to the European Commission, including the possibility to extend the plan from 4 to 7 years.
- Social implications of the envisaged fiscal trajectories, especially those related to cost of ageing
- Investment list, those frontloaded and specific reference to social investments
- Reforms and measures in the social field.
STEP B. BEING TIMELY IN PROVIDING COORDINATED INPUTS FOR NATIONAL PLANS
TU INPUTS -

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ALL ETUC MEMBER PREPARE A RESOLUTION?
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