



Regional Cooperation Council

A horizontal collage of three grayscale images. The left image shows a close-up of a person's eyes looking upwards. The middle image shows a person's profile looking at a computer monitor in an office setting. The right image shows a man in a suit and glasses looking towards the right, with another person partially visible in the background.

South East Europe 2020: Jobs and Prosperity in a European Perspective

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Rationale for SEE 2020

SEE 2020 materialized as a response to Europe 2020, as the region was left out of the main European growth framework:

1. Preparations for future membership suggest that the *Europe 2020* policy goals and implementation methods are pertinent to enlargement countries, with a strong need to adjust the strategy to region's needs, making it more realistic and credible
2. Help anchor reform efforts into an overarching growth and development agenda and refocus on growth and competitiveness
3. Introduce greater coherence and coordination into the regional cooperation framework





Ministries of economy – Main Catalyst

Regional vision-building efforts channeled through SEE Investment Committee, main regional body for competitiveness and investment-related reforms:

At the Ministerial meeting on November 24, 2011:

- Adopted SEE 2020 Vision
- Provided clear mandate to the RCC/SEEIC and national administrations to engage on regional strategy development
- Secured resources for the strategy

At the Ministerial meeting on November 9, 2012:

- Adopted 11 regional and 77 national headline targets to be reached by 2020

At the Ministerial meeting on November 21, 2013:

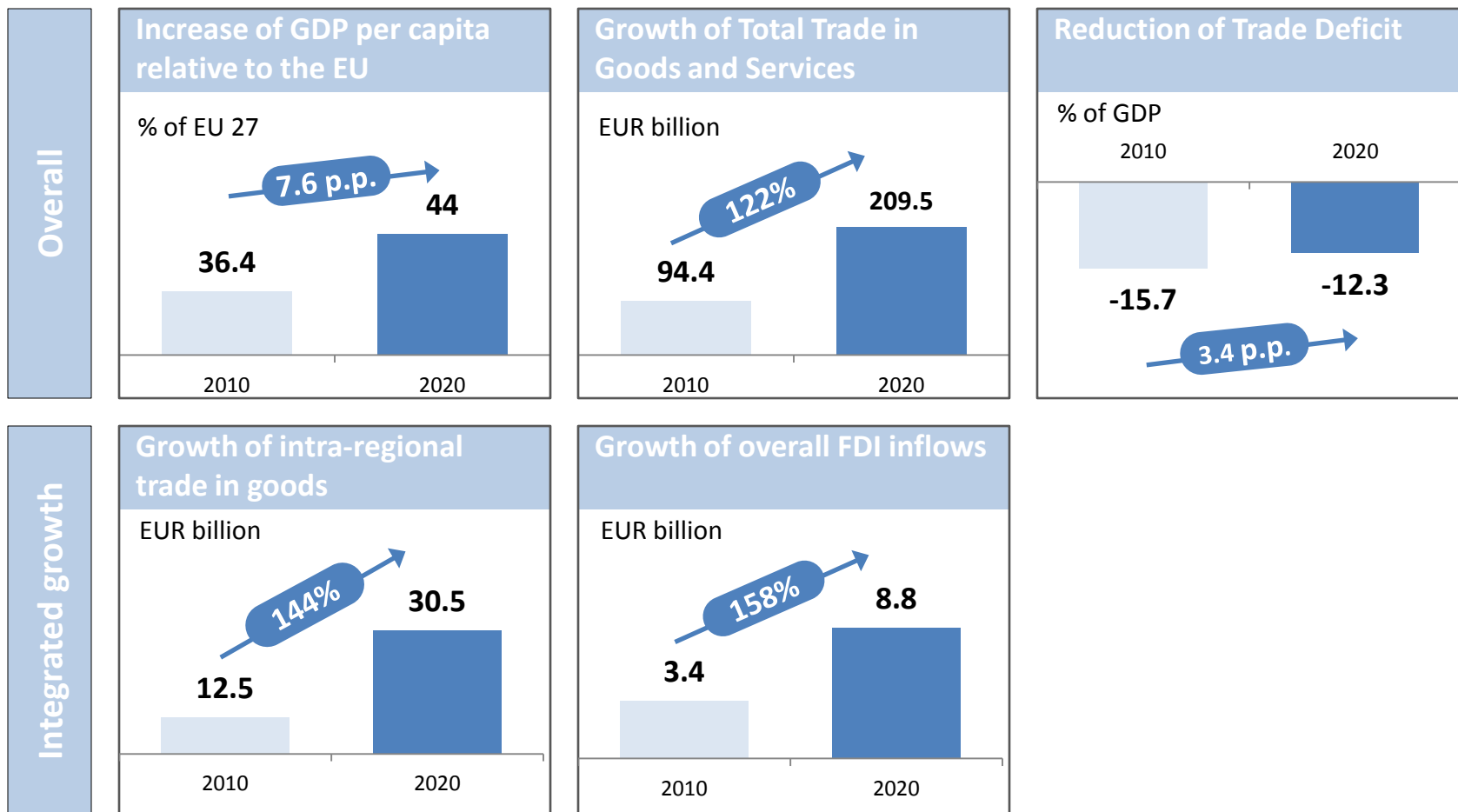
- Adopted the SEE 2020 Strategy



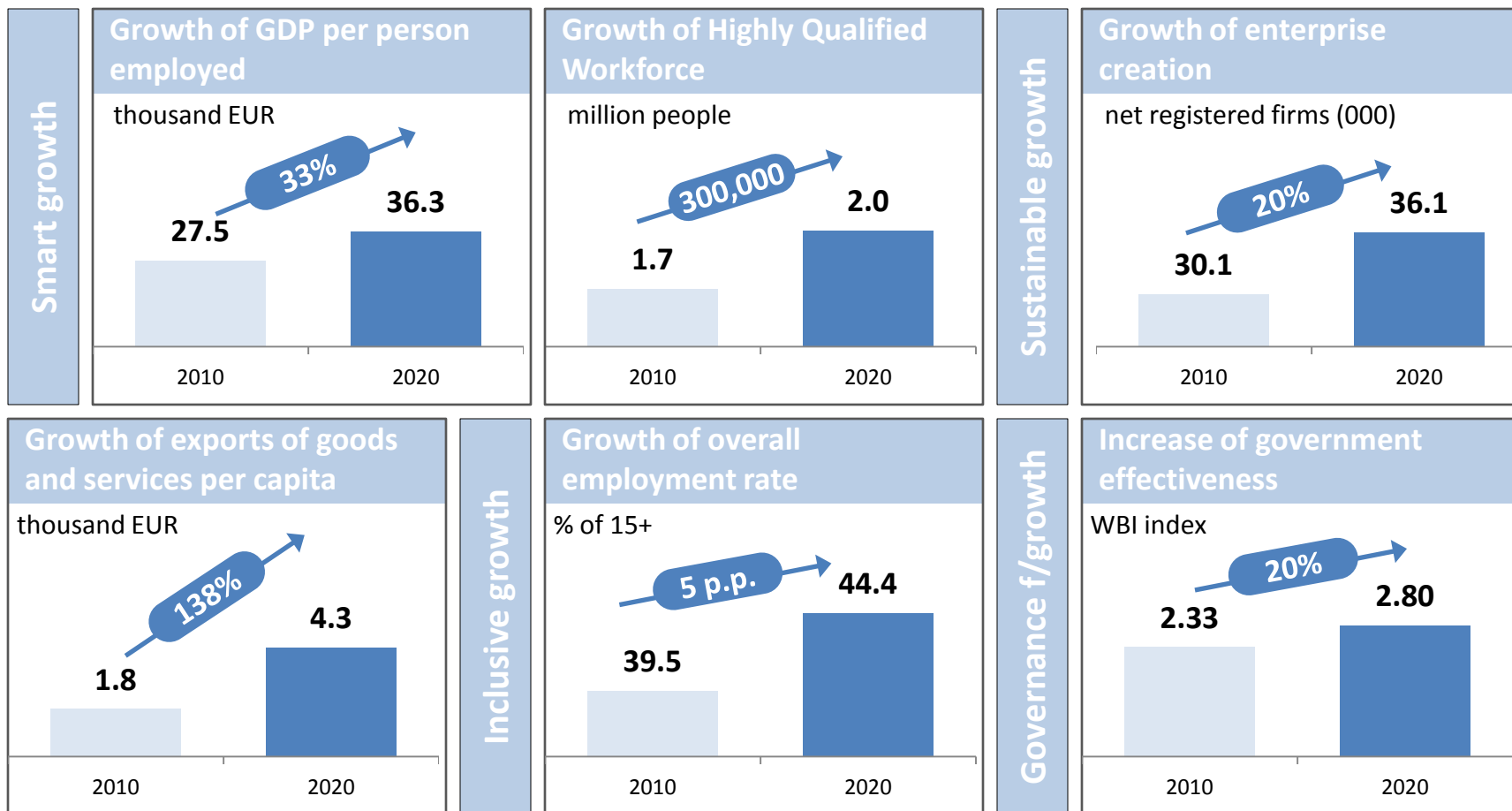
Five pillars of SEE 2020



SEE 2020 Embodied in 11 Headline Targets



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Guiding principles of SEE 2020

1. Added value to national efforts – synergy
2. Decentralized development and implementation
3. Quantifiable indicators and measurable progress
4. Clear governance structure and political support

Strong link with IPA 2

SEE 2020 Dimensions

Pillars	Dimension:
Integrated growth	A. FREE TRADE AREA
	B. COMPETITIVE ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT
	C. INTEGRATION INTO THE GLOBAL ECONOMY
Smart growth	D. HUMAN CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT
	E. R&D AND INNOVATION
	F. DIGITAL SOCIETY
	G. CULTURE AND CREATIVE INDUSTRIES
Sustainable Growth	H. RESOURCE EFFICIENCY
	I. COMPETITIVENESS
Inclusive Growth	J. EMPLOYMENT
	K. HEALTH
Governance for Growth	L. EFFECTIVE PUBLIC SERVICES
	M. ANTI-CORRUPTION
	N. JUSTICE

Pillar 4: Inclusive Growth

Dimension:

J. EMPLOYMENT

*Ministries/
agencies:*

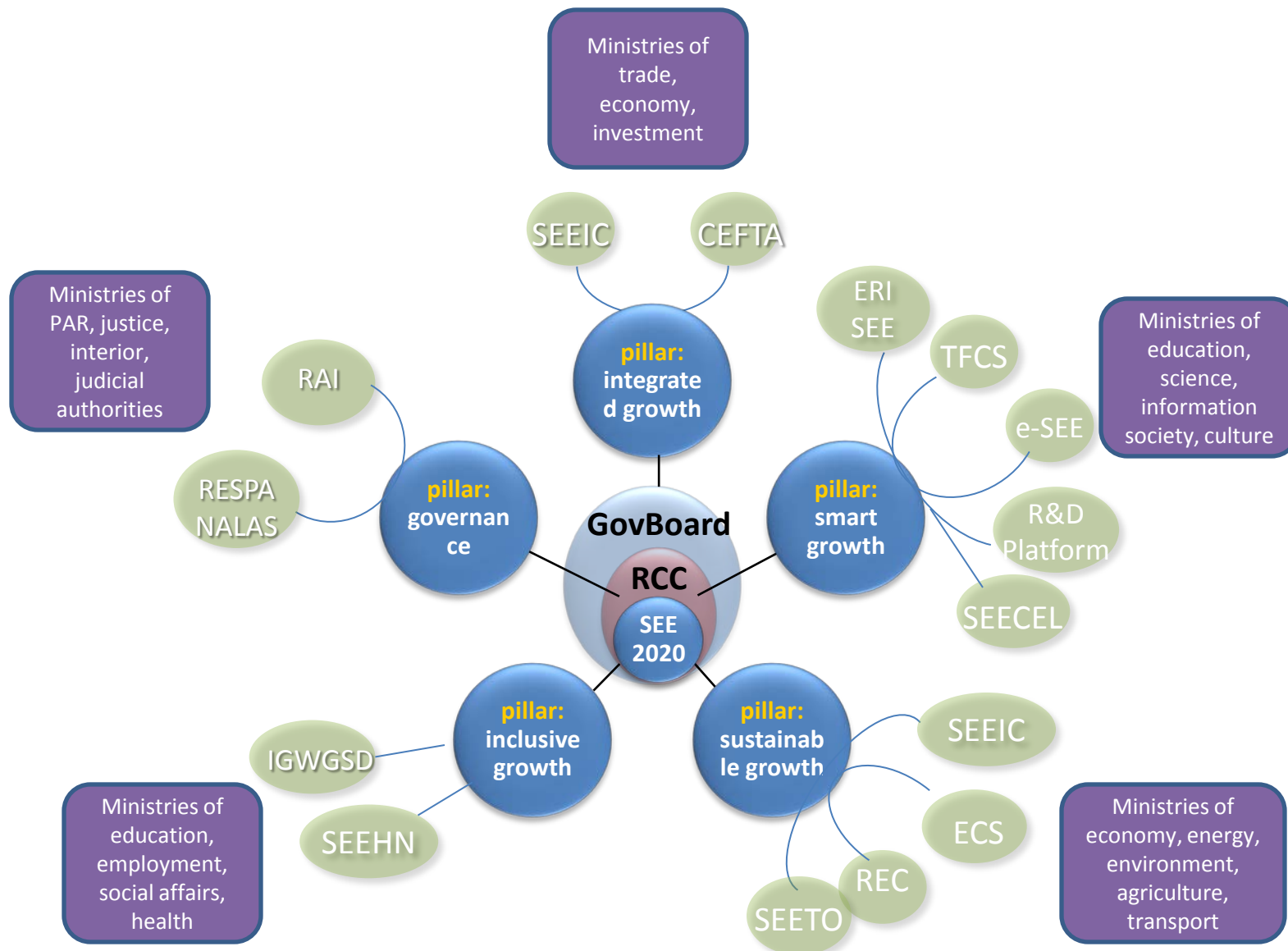
Ministries in charge of labor and social policies

Measures

- Build regional capacity for harmonized monitoring of migration and mobility with a view to a gradual lifting of labour market restrictions in the region.
- Apply modern approaches in labour market governance that stimulate employment, including the flexicurity approach, evidence based policy making, and partnerships for labour market transition.
- Tackle informal employment through an exchange of information and experiences, improved inter-institutional and intra-regional cooperation and by testing appropriate policy measures
- Promote social economy initiatives: setting up a regulatory framework, networking, sharing know-how and identifying good practices



SEE 2020 Implementing Structure



Annual Implementation Report

- Narrative review of implementation as per 5 pillars of the SEE 2020: measures, instruments, activities, main achievements and milestones. Review of activities of regional organizations.
- Regional quantitative and qualitative indicators, including the key 11 SEE 2020 targets with a brief commentary.
- Country profiles to monitor the implementation of the commitments made in the National Action Plans, including country-specific indicators and targets.



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thank you

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