

# 10 years since the start of the crisis: back to recovery thanks to decisive EU action

### in numbers

## Economic activity was hit strongly by the crisis but is now recovering

% change in the level of real GDP of the euro area compared to 2008



Source: European Commission

## Investment in the euro area collapsed for several years and is now picking up

% change in the level of investment in the euro area compared to 2008



Source: European Commission

#### Interest rates on loans to businesses increased and diverged during the crisis but are now declining

Interest rates in %

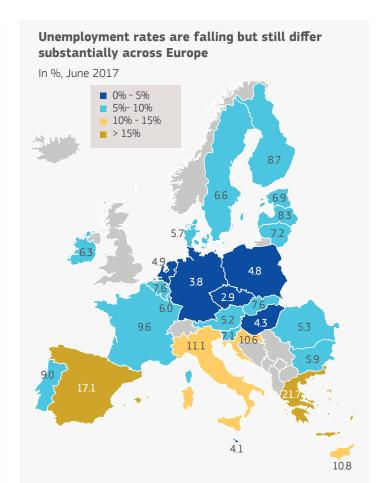


Source: European Central Bank

## Unemployment in the euro area is at its lowest since 2009 but still too high

Unemployment rate in %



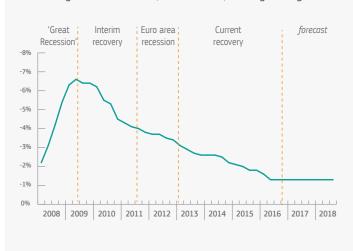


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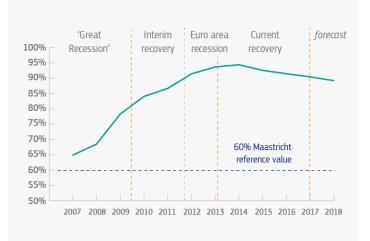
General government deficit, as % of GDP, moving averages



Source: European Commission

## Public debt in the euro area increased sharply as a result of the crisis but is falling now

General government gross debt, as % of GDP



Source: European Commission

As of July 2017, the Juncker Plan was set to trigger investments worth over €225 billion across all 28 Member States, 72% of the originally envisaged €315 billion

