



The European Semester and its impact on health policy. Commission Country Specific Recommendations for Romania 2015-2016

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The European Semester

- 1. A tool for making it happen**
- 2. Impact on national policies**
- 3. Country Specific Recommendation on health for Romania 2015-2016**



1. A tool for making it happen



The European Semester

Economic policies for growth, jobs and investment

The European semester strengthens the economic and monetary union as a whole. By working together, long-term solutions are put in place to ensure stability and growth rather than quick fixes driven by short-term objectives.

It also provides a framework and a binding annual timeline for managing the new anti-crisis and pro-growth measures adopted since the start of the crisis.

2. Impact on national policies



Romania

Country
Report 2015

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National Reform Programme: RO
- EN

Convergence Programme: RO -
EN

Commission Recommendation
RO - EN - FR - DE

Final version, approved by the
Council

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3. CSR on health for Romania

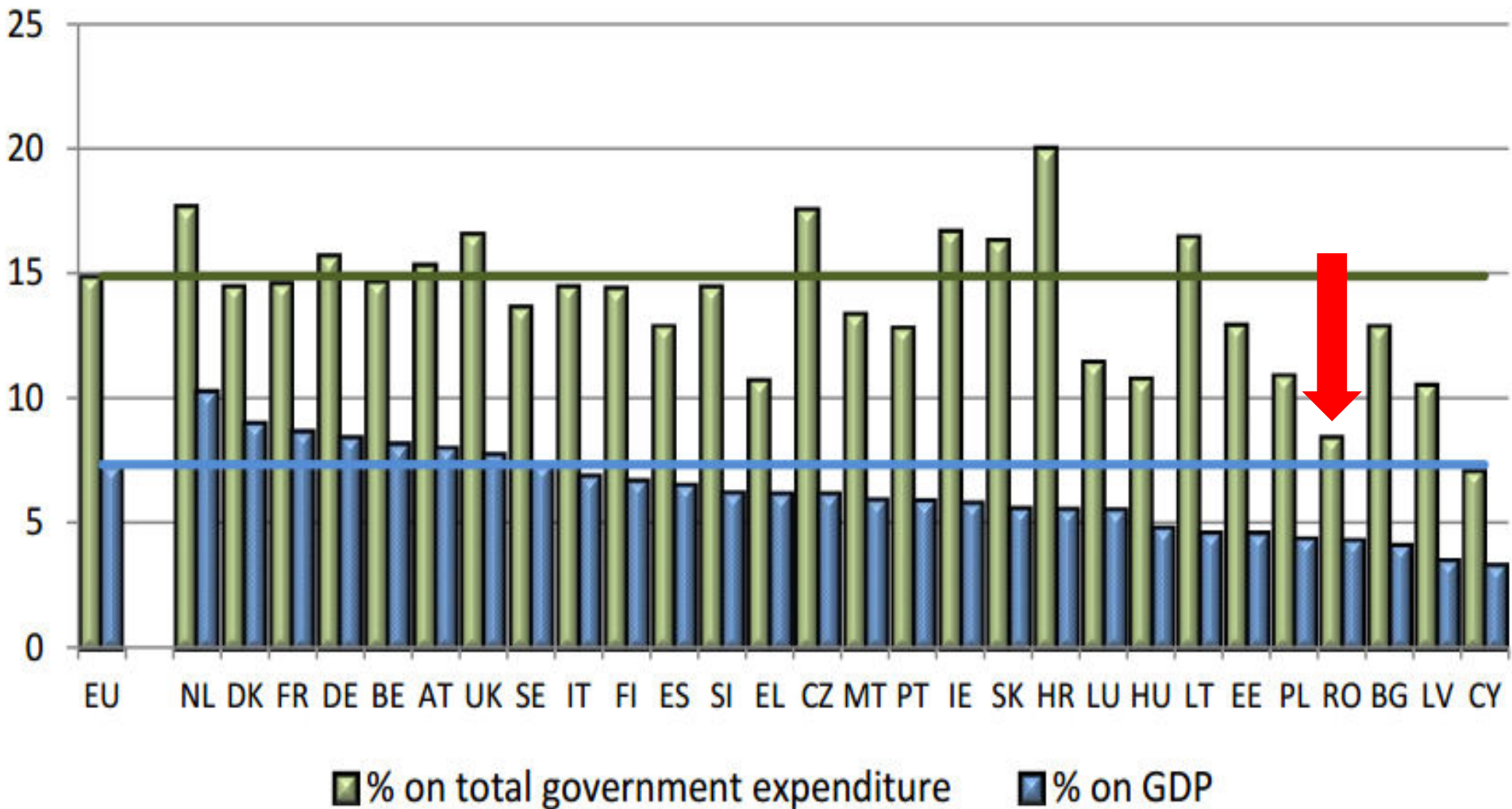
COUNCIL RECOMMENDATION

of 14 July 2015

on the 2015 National Reform Programme of Romania and delivering a Council opinion on the 2015 Convergence Programme of Romania

3. Pursue the national health strategy 2014-2020 to remedy issues of poor accessibility, low funding and inefficient resources.

Public expenditure on health



3. CSR on health for Romania



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SWD(2015) 42 final

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Country Report Romania 2015
Including an In-Depth Review on the prevention and correction of macroeconomic
imbalances

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- budget overruns and the accumulation of arrears**
- much needed restructuring and consolidation of the hospital capacity**
- Informal payments are widespread and hinder the efficiency, quality and accessibility of the system**
- need to shift the delivery of health services to outpatient services**

3. CSR on health for Romania

Looking forward:

- ❑ **Monitoring the CSR and evaluation of the implementation**
- ❑ **Romania's Country Report: February 2016**

Summing up

- 1. A tool for making it happen**
- 2. Impact on national policies**
- 3. Specifically on health policy: CSR on health for Romania 2015-2016**

**Thank you for your
attention**