## **Abbreviations and acronyms**

**ADR** Alternative dispute resolution

AIDA Albanian Investment Development Agency

ALB Albania

ALMP Active labour market programme

BCP Border crossing point

**BEEPS** Business Environment and Enterprise Performance Survey

**BEPS** Base erosion and profit shifting

BIH Bosnia and Herzegovina

BIT Bilateral investment treaty

CAP Common Agricultural Policy

CBA Cost-benefit analysis

CEEC Central and Eastern European countries
CERT Computer emergency response team

**CEFTA** Central European Free Trade Agreement

CIT Corporate income tax
CO Competitiveness Outlook

CO<sub>2</sub> Carbon dioxide

CRM Common Regional Market
CSO Civil society organisation

DHL Global Connectedness Index

**DSO** Distribution system operator

**DTIDZ** Directorate for Technological Industrial Development Zones

**EBRD** European Bank for Reconstruction and Development

EEA European Economic Area

**EFTA** European Free Trade Association

**EIB** European Investment Bank

**EMIS** Education management information system

ERP Economic Reform Programme
ETF European Training Foundation

**EU** European Union

**EUR** Euro

**FAO** Food and Agriculture Organization

**FBiH** Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina

**FDI** Foreign direct investment

FIP Feed-in premium

**FIT** Feed-in tariff

GCI Global Competitiveness Index

GDP Gross domestic product

**GDPR** EU General Data Protection Regulation

**GERD** Gross expenditure on research and development

GHG Greenhouse gas

**GST** Goods and services tax

**GVC** Global value chain

**HEI** Higher education institution

HR Human resources

ICT Information and communication technology

IFI International financial institution

**ILO** International Labour Organization

IMF International Monetary Fund

IP Intellectual property

IPA Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance

IPA Investment promotion agency

**IPARD** Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance for Rural Development

**IPP** Intellectual property protection

ISIC International Standard Industrial Classification

ITE Initial teacher education

**IWW** Inland waterways

KIESA Kosovo Investment and Enterprise Support Agency

KOS Kosovo

**LFS** Labour Force Survey

**LPI** Logistics Performance Index

**LPIS** Land parcel identification systems

MKD North Macedonia

MIA Montenegro Investment Agency

MNE Montenegro

MNE Multinational enterprise

MSME Micro, small and medium-sized enterprise

NEET Not in education, employment or training

NGO Non-government organisation

NO<sub>2</sub> Nitrogen dioxide

**NPL** Non-performing loans

**OECD** Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development

OHS Occupational health and safety

OSS One-stop shop

**PARS** Public Administration Reform Strategies

PDP Personal data protection

**PES** Public employment services

PISA Programme for International Student Assessment

PIT Personal income tax
PM Particulate matter

**PPI** Private participation in infrastructure

PPP Public-private partnershipPPP Purchasing power parity

Q Quarter

RIA

R&D Research and development

RAS Development Agency of Serbia

RCC Regional Cooperation Council

**RDI** Research and development institutes

Regulatory impact assessment

RS Republika Srpska

**SDG** Sustainable Development Goal

**SME** Small and medium-sized enterprise

SOE State-owned enterprise
SPP Single project pipeline

**SPS** Sanitary and phytosanitary measures

SSC Social security contribution

SRB Serbia

**STI** Science, technology and innovation

STP Science and technology parks

STRI OECD Services Trade Restrictiveness Index

TCPS Transport Community Permanent Secretariat

TCT Transport Community Treaty

TEN-T Trans-European Transport Network
TFI OECD Trade Facilitation Indicators

**TSA** Tourism Satellite Account

**TSO** Transmission system operator

**UNDP** United Nations Development Programme

**UNFCCC** United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change

**USD** United States dollar

VAT Value-added tax

**VET** Vocational education and training

WB6 Six Western Balkan economies

WBIF Western Balkan Investment Framework

WB EDIF Western Balkans Enterprise Development and Innovation Facility

WBL Work-based learning

WHO World Health Organization

WIPO World Intellectual Property Organization

WTO World Trade Organization

**WWTP** Wastewater treatment plants

y-o-y Year on year



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