

## Acronyms and abbreviations

<b>AEOI</b>	Automatic exchange of information
<b>ALB</b>	Albania
<b>ALL</b>	Albanian lek
<b>ALMP</b>	Active labour market policy
<b>AIDA</b>	Albanian Investment Development Agency
<b>APEC</b>	Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation
<b>BEPS</b>	Base erosion and profit shifting
<b>BIH</b>	Bosnia and Herzegovina
<b>CAP</b>	Common Agriculture Policy
<b>CEB</b>	Central Europe and the Baltics
<b>CEFTA</b>	Central European Free Trade Agreement
<b>CEO</b>	Chief executive officer
<b>CERT</b>	Computer Emergency Response Team
<b>CESEC</b>	Central and South-Eastern European Gas Connectivity
<b>CET</b>	Continuing education and training
<b>CIT</b>	Corporate income tax
<b>CO<sub>2</sub></b>	Carbon dioxide
<b>CSR</b>	Corporate social responsibility
<b>DMC</b>	Domestic material consumption
<b>DSM</b>	Digital Single Market
<b>DTIDZ</b>	Directorate for Technological Industrial Development Zones
<b>EBITDA</b>	Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortisation
<b>EBRD</b>	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development
<b>ECE</b>	Early childhood education
<b>ECS</b>	Energy Community Secretariat
<b>EFTA</b>	European Free Trade Association
<b>EGFSN</b>	Expert Group on Future Skills Needs
<b>EIA</b>	Environmental impact assessment

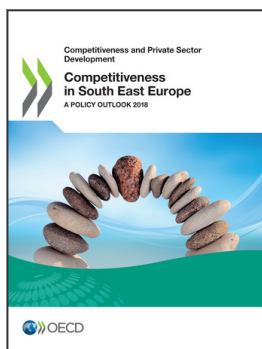
<b>EIB</b>	European Investment Bank
<b>EIS</b>	European Innovation Scoreboard
<b>EITC</b>	Earned income tax credit
<b>EOIR</b>	Exchange of information on request
<b>EPL</b>	Employment protection legislation
<b>EPO</b>	European Patent Office
<b>EPR</b>	Extended producer responsibility
<b>EQF</b>	European Qualifications Framework
<b>ERP</b>	Economic Reform Programme
<b>ESCS</b>	Economic, social and cultural status
<b>ETF</b>	European Training Foundation
<b>EU</b>	European Union
<b>FDI</b>	Foreign direct investment
<b>FIPA</b>	Foreign Investment Promotion Agency of Bosnia and Herzegovina
<b>FITD</b>	Fund for Innovation and Technology Development
<b>FTA</b>	Free trade agreement/area
<b>GCI</b>	Global Competitiveness Index
<b>GDP</b>	Gross domestic product
<b>GERD</b>	Gross expenditure on research and development
<b>GHG</b>	Greenhouse gas
<b>GIZ</b>	Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit
<b>GPP</b>	Green public procurement
<b>GSSE</b>	General support services estimate
<b>GVC</b>	Global value chains
<b>GW</b>	Gigawatt
<b>HE</b>	Higher education
<b>HEI</b>	Higher education institution
<b>IA</b>	Independent assessor
<b>ICN</b>	International Competition Network
<b>ICT</b>	Information and communications technology
<b>IFRS</b>	International Financial Reporting Standards
<b>IMF</b>	International Monetary Fund
<b>IP</b>	Intellectual property
<b>IPA</b>	Investment promotion agency

<b>IPARD</b>	Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance in Rural Development
<b>IPO</b>	Initial public offering
<b>IPPC</b>	Integrated pollution prevention and control
<b>ISCED</b>	International Standard Classification of Education
<b>ISO</b>	International Organisation for Standardisation
<b>IT</b>	Information technology
<b>ITF</b>	International Transport Forum
<b>ITU</b>	International Telecommunication Union
<b>KCGF</b>	Kosovo Credit Guarantee Fund
<b>KEISA</b>	Kosovo Investment and Enterprise Support Agency
<b>KOS</b>	Kosovo
<b>LPI</b>	Logistics Performance Index
<b>LSU</b>	Livestock unit
<b>M&amp;E</b>	Monitoring and evaluation
<b>MEA</b>	Multilateral Environmental Agreement
<b>MFN</b>	Most favoured nation
<b>MIPA</b>	Montenegrin Investment Promotion Agency
<b>MKD</b>	Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia/Macedonian dinar
<b>MLA</b>	Mutual legal assistance
<b>MNE</b>	Montenegro/multinational enterprise
<b>MQF</b>	Macedonian Qualifications Framework
<b>Mt</b>	Megatonne
<b>NEEAP</b>	National Energy Efficiency Action Plan
<b>NEET</b>	Not in employment, education or training
<b>NGO</b>	Non-government organisation
<b>NO<sub>x</sub></b>	Nitrogen oxides
<b>NPL</b>	Non-performing loan
<b>NQF</b>	National qualifications framework
<b>NRA</b>	National regulatory authority/agency
<b>NREAP</b>	National Renewable Energy Action Plan
<b>NTB</b>	Non-tariff barrier
<b>OCPA</b>	Office of Commissioner of Public Appointments
<b>OECD</b>	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
<b>OFIO</b>	Office of the Foreign Investment Ombudsman

<b>OSS</b>	One-stop-shop
<b>PDP</b>	Personal data protection
<b>PEEM</b>	Public Environmental Expenditure Management
<b>PES</b>	Public employment services
<b>PIAAC</b>	Programme for the International Assessment of Adult Competencies
<b>PISA</b>	Programme for International Student Assessment
<b>PIT</b>	Personal income tax
<b>PM<sub>2.5</sub></b>	Fine particulate matter
<b>PPP</b>	Public-private partnership/purchasing power parity
<b>PRO</b>	Public research organisation
<b>PSE</b>	Producer support estimate
<b>PV</b>	Photovoltaics
<b>R&amp;D</b>	Research and development
<b>RAS</b>	Development Agency of Serbia
<b>RCC</b>	Regional Cooperation Council
<b>RDI</b>	Research, development and innovation
<b>REEP</b>	Regional Energy Efficiency Programme
<b>RES</b>	Renewable energy sources
<b>RIA</b>	Regulatory impact assessment
<b>RSD</b>	Serbian dinar
<b>SAA</b>	Stabilisation and Association Agreement
<b>SDG</b>	Sustainable Development Goal
<b>SEA</b>	Strategic environmental assessment
<b>SEE</b>	South East Europe
<b>SEEHN</b>	South-Eastern Europe Health Network
<b>SEETO</b>	South East Europe Transport Observatory
<b>SELDI</b>	Southeast Europe Leadership for Development and Integrity
<b>SES</b>	Single European Sky
<b>SEZ</b>	Special economic zone
<b>SIGMA</b>	Support for Improvement in Governance and Management
<b>SME</b>	Small and medium-sized enterprise
<b>SOE</b>	State-owned enterprise
<b>SO<sub>x</sub></b>	Sulphur oxides
<b>SPS</b>	Sanitary and phytosanitary measures

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<b>SRB</b>	Serbia
<b>SSC</b>	Social security contribution
<b>STEM</b>	Science, technology, engineering and mathematics
<b>STI</b>	Science, technology and innovation
<b>STP</b>	Science and technology park
<b>STRI</b>	OECD Services Trade Restrictiveness Index
<b>TAFTIE</b>	The European Network of Innovation Agencies
<b>THAP</b>	Triple Helix Action Plan
<b>TiVA</b>	Trade in value added
<b>TSE</b>	Total support estimate
<b>UKGI</b>	UK Government Investments
<b>UNCAC</b>	United Nations Convention against Corruption
<b>UNDP</b>	United Nations Development Programme
<b>UNESCO</b>	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
<b>UNICEF</b>	United Nations Children’s Fund
<b>USAID</b>	United States Agency for International Development
<b>USPTO</b>	United States Patent and Trademark Office
<b>VAT</b>	Value-added tax
<b>VET</b>	Vocational education and training
<b>WB6</b>	Western Balkans Six
<b>WB6 MAP</b>	Multi-annual Action Plan for the Western Balkans Six
<b>WISE</b>	Western Balkans Research and Innovation Centre
<b>WTO</b>	World Trade Organization



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