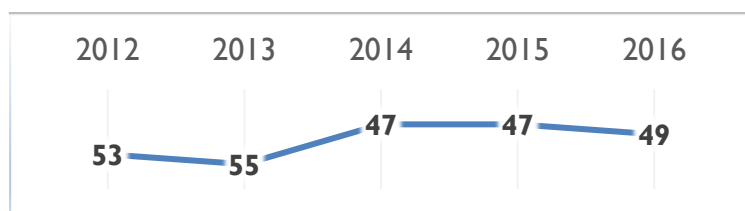


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OVERALL PERFORMANCE



CHALLENGES IN 2016

- Achieve sustainable economic growth.
- Increase foreign direct investment – stimulating job creation.
- Increase the innovative potential of enterprises, particularly SMEs, through technology transfer and business support infrastructure.
- Increase the rate of EU funds absorption.
- Stimulate the balanced territorial development.

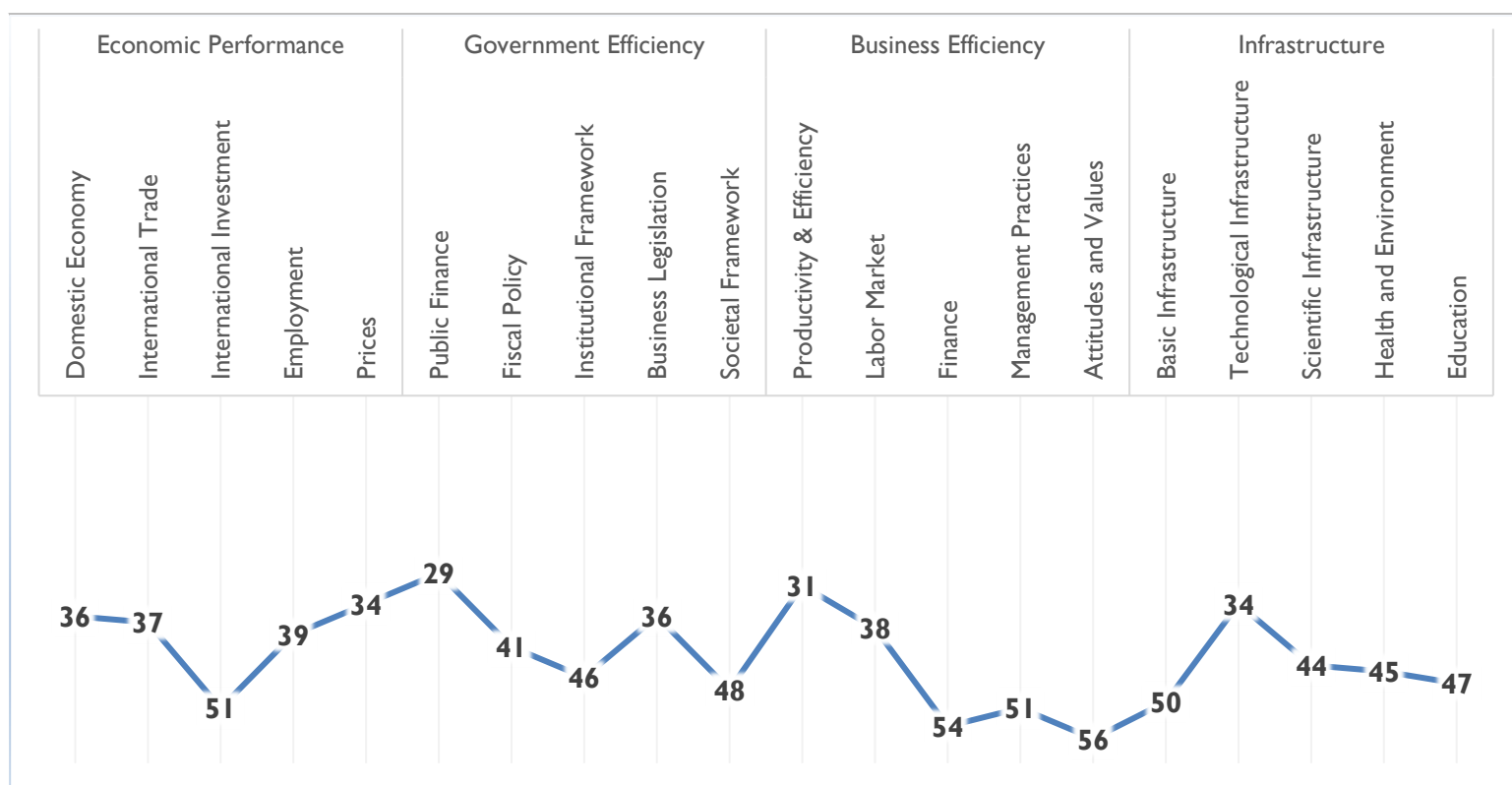
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BASIC FACTS

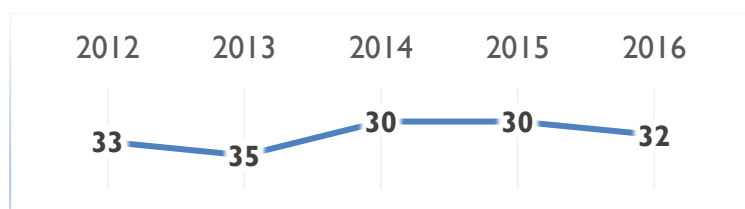
		Rank
Capital	Bucharest	
Land area (square km '000)	238 ²⁰¹⁵	
Exchange Rate (per \$)	4.006 ²⁰¹⁵	
Population - market size (millions)	19.87 ²⁰¹⁵	29
Gross Domestic Product (GDP) (US\$ billions)	177.3 ²⁰¹⁵	47
GDP (PPP) per capita (US\$)	20,827 ²⁰¹⁵	45
Real GDP growth (%)	3.7 ²⁰¹⁵	13
Consumer price inflation (%)	-0.60 ²⁰¹⁵	9
Unemployment rate (%)	6.50 ²⁰¹⁵	33
Labor force (millions)	9.37 ²⁰¹⁵	29
Current account balance percentage (%)	-1.10 ²⁰¹⁵	41
Direct investment stocks inward (\$bn)	74.7 ²⁰¹⁴	45
Direct investment flows inward (%)	2.19 ²⁰¹⁵	32

COMPETITIVENESS LANDSCAPE

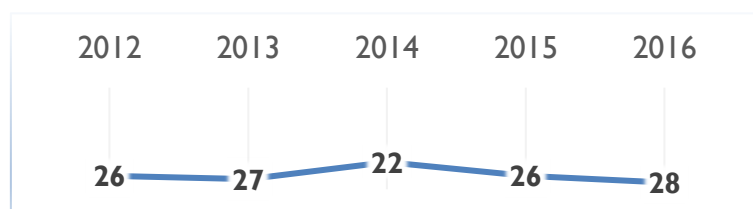


PEER GROUPS RANKINGS

EUROPE - MIDDLE EAST - AFRICA



POPULATIONS > 20 MILLION



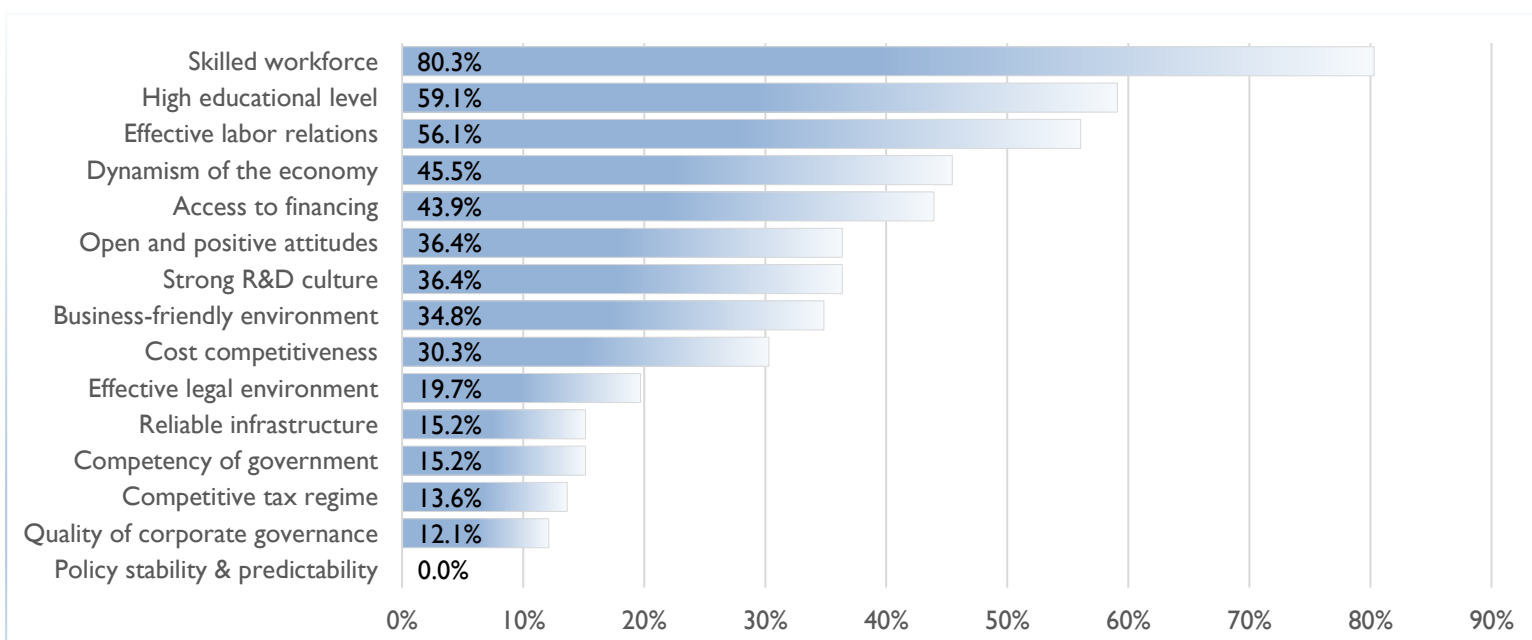
COMPETITIVENESS EVOLUTION

The criteria below highlight the 15 biggest Improvements and the 15 biggest Declines in the overall performance of the economy. They are determined by the largest percentage changes in the value of each criterion from one yearbook to the next.

IMPROVEMENTS	WCY	WCY	DECLINES	WCY	WCY
	2015	2016		2015	2016
4.1.18 Maintenance and development	2.77	4.33	2.3.08 Exchange rate stability	0.042	0.108
2.1.02 Government budget surplus/deficit (%)	-1.48	-0.74	1.2.02 Current account balance percentage	-0.46	-1.10
2.4.09 Subsidies	4.13	6.18	3.4.09 Health, safety & environmental concerns	6.13	3.67
3.2.10 Apprenticeships	1.61	2.39	1.4.07 Long-term unemployment	2.80	3.90
4.3.05 Business expenditure on R&D (%)	0.12	0.16	4.1.17 Water transportation	7.19	5.24
4.2.13 Technological cooperation	4.68	6.21	2.5.09 Equal opportunity	5.45	4.12
1.1.14 Real GDP growth	2.9	3.7	3.5.02 Image abroad or branding	5.32	4.03
1.1.15 Real GDP growth per capita	3.04	3.96	2.1.10 Tax evasion	4.16	3.16
4.4.11 Health problems	3.35	4.33	3.2.08 Worker motivation	6.35	4.91
4.3.24 Knowledge transfer	4.65	6.00	2.3.13 Bureaucracy	2.61	2.03
2.5.03 Ageing of society	2.16	2.79	4.1.15 Distribution infrastructure	6.42	5.00
3.1.10 Small and medium-size enterprises	5.06	6.52	2.1.09 Public finances	3.97	3.13
4.4.04 Health infrastructure	2.74	3.52	2.4.19 Immigration laws	7.15	5.67
1.1.13 Diversification of the economy	4.90	6.21	3.2.20 Attracting and retaining talents	7.42	6.00
4.5.09 Student mobility inbound	0.86	1.08	3.5.07 Corporate values	6.32	5.18

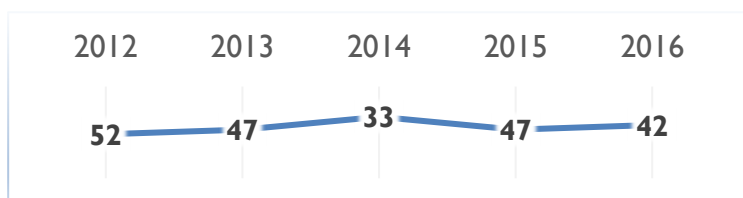
KEY ATTRACTIVENESS INDICATORS

From a list of 15 indicators, respondents of the Executive Opinion Survey were asked to select 5 that they perceived as the key attractiveness factors of their economy. The chart shows the percentage of responses per indicator from the highest number of responses to the lowest.



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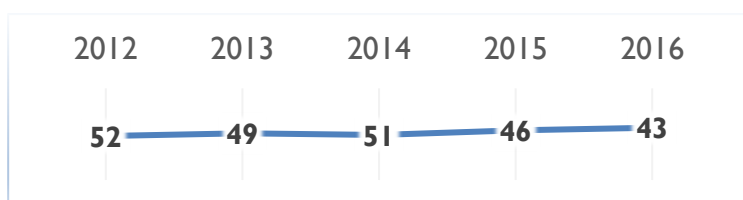
ECONOMIC PERFORMANCE



Sub-Factor Rankings :

	2015	2016
Domestic Economy	41	36
International Trade	32	37
International Investment	52	51
Employment	46	39
Prices	26	34

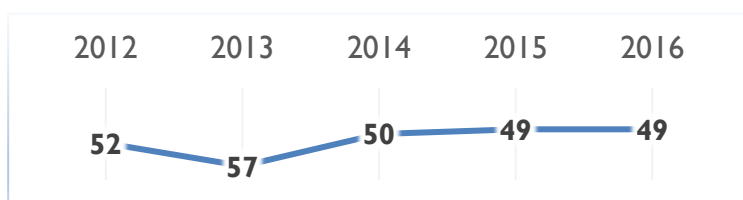
GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY



Sub-Factor Rankings :

	2015	2016
Public Finance	30	29
Fiscal Policy	43	41
Institutional Framework	47	46
Business Legislation	33	36
Societal Framework	48	48

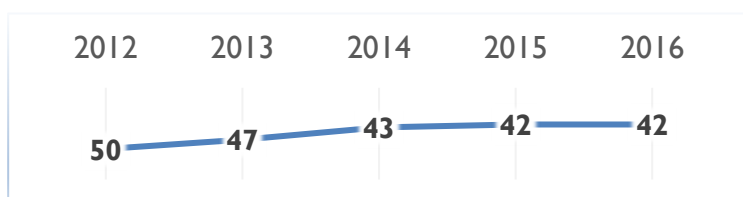
BUSINESS EFFICIENCY



Sub-Factor Rankings :

	2015	2016
Productivity & Efficiency	30	31
Labor Market	41	38
Finance	53	54
Management Practices	46	51
Attitudes and Values	50	56

INFRASTRUCTURE



Sub-Factor Rankings :

	2015	2016
Basic Infrastructure	44	50
Technological Infrastructure	40	34
Scientific Infrastructure	42	44
Health and Environment	46	45
Education	47	47

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STRENGTHS

Economic Performance	Rank
1.5.03 Cost-of-living index	4
1.1.15 Real GDP growth per capita	6
1.3.13 Relocation threats of production	6
1.3.14 Relocation threats of R&D facilities	12
1.1.14 Real GDP growth	13
1.1.13 Diversification of the economy	16
1.2.17 Export concentration by partner	18
1.5.05 Office rent	19
1.3.15 Relocation threats of services	21
1.2.18 Export concentration by product	23

Government Efficiency	Rank
2.4.20 Redundancy costs	1
2.2.08 Corporate tax rate on profit	6
2.5.06 Gini coefficient	9
2.4.08 Government subsidies	10
2.1.02 Government budget surplus/deficit (%)	15
2.4.09 Subsidies	15
2.4.01 Tariff barriers	15
2.2.01 Collected total tax revenues	19
2.1.04 Total general government debt (%)	21
2.3.08 Exchange rate stability	24

Business Efficiency	Rank
3.4.06 Customer satisfaction	5
3.2.03 Remuneration in services professions	6
3.2.04 Remuneration of management	8
3.1.09 Large corporations	13
3.2.01 Compensation levels	15
3.1.10 Small and medium-size enterprises	21
3.2.23 International experience	23
3.1.08 Workforce productivity	26
3.2.21 Brain drain	28

Infrastructure	Rank
4.2.03 Mobile Telephone costs	9
4.2.20 ICT service exports	14
4.1.10 Dependency ratio	17
4.3.25 Innovative capacity	19
4.4.18 Renewable energies (%)	20
4.3.21 Researchers and scientists	20
4.5.08 Women with degrees	21
4.2.21 Cyber security	21
4.2.10 Internet bandwidth speed	22
4.3.24 Knowledge transfer	23

WEAKNESSES

Economic Performance	Rank
1.3.04 Direct investment stocks abroad (%)	61
1.3.03 Direct investment stocks abroad (\$bn)	59
1.2.25 Tourism receipts	53
1.5.06 Food costs	49
1.1.20 GDP per capita	48
1.1.21 GDP (PPP) per capita	45
1.3.07 Direct investment stocks inward (\$bn)	45
1.5.02 Adjusted consumer price inflation	45
1.3.01 Direct investment flows abroad (\$bn)	43
1.3.02 Direct investment flows abroad (%)	42

Government Efficiency	Rank
2.5.09 Equal opportunity	58
2.2.07 Effective personal income tax rate	56
2.4.12 Parallel economy	56
2.4.04 Public sector contracts	54
2.5.04 Risk of political instability	54
2.3.12 Transparency	54
2.4.18 Unemployment legislation	53
2.4.06 Capital markets	52
2.3.11 Government decisions	52
2.5.02 Personal security and private property rights	51

Business Efficiency	Rank
3.3.20 Corporate debt	61
3.2.10 Apprenticeships	61
3.4.09 Health, safety & environmental concerns	60
3.3.08 Regulatory compliance (banking laws)	60
3.4.05 Auditing and accounting practices	58
3.3.01 Banking sector assets	57
3.4.02 Ethical practices	57
3.5.01 Attitudes toward globalization	56
3.5.07 Corporate values	56
3.4.04 Corporate boards	54

Infrastructure	Rank
4.4.26 Quality of life	59
4.4.25 Environmental laws	58
4.5.01 Total public expenditure on education	57
4.4.11 Health problems	56
4.2.11 Information technology skills	55
4.1.06 Management of cities	55
4.1.15 Distribution infrastructure	54
4.5.03 Public expenditure on education per pupil	53
4.3.02 Total expenditure on R&D (%)	53
4.4.23 Sustainable development	53