

Europe 2020 and the challenge of permanent austerity and Euro Crisis

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Europe 2020:

Any news from the EU front?

- Smart growth – developing an economy based on knowledge and innovation.
- Sustainable growth – promoting a more resource efficient, greener and more competitive economy.
- Inclusive growth – fostering a high-employment economy delivering economic, social and territorial cohesion.

Integrated Guidelines

Guideline 1: Ensuring the quality and the sustainability of public finances

Guideline 2: Addressing macroeconomic imbalances

Guideline 3: Reducing imbalances in **the euro area**

Guideline 4: Optimising support for R&D and innovation, strengthening the knowledge triangle and unleashing the potential of the digital economy

Guideline 5: Improving resource efficiency and reducing greenhouse gases emissions

Guideline 6: Improving the **business and consumer environment** and **modernising the industrial base**

Employment guidelines

Guideline 7: Increasing **labour market participation** and reducing structural unemployment

Guideline 8: Developing a skilled workforce responding to labour market needs, promoting **job quality** and lifelong learning

Guideline 9: Improving the performance of **education and training** systems at all levels and increasing participation in tertiary education

Guideline 10: Promoting **social inclusion** and **combating poverty*****

Lights...

Social dimension is part of the package

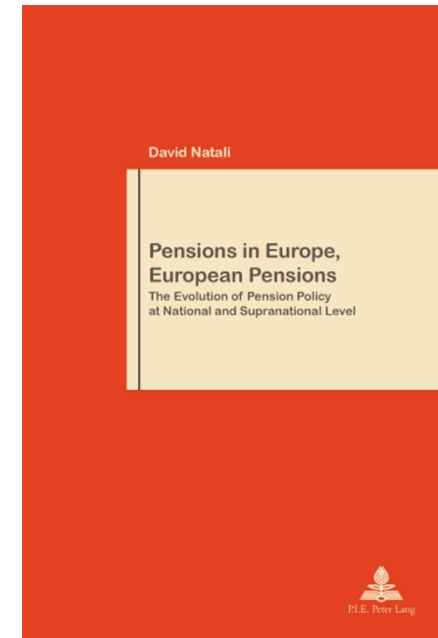
European Platform against Poverty

EU Toolkit for social policy
(financial levers and **external policy tools**)

Projet de recherche ETOS.be : Outils européens et politique sociale belge



Pensions in Europe, European Pensions



Shadows...

Limited learning and lesson drawing

Paradigm Stickiness

Role of ECOFIN

Governance still to be improved

Open questions...

Economic, Permanent Austerity

Institutional, Make the EMU work

Political, Comparing Lisbon Strategy and Europe 2020