## FISR2

STRUCTURAL REFORMS BETTER INTEGRATED WITHIN FISCAL FRAMEWORKS

# IDENTIFYING MAIN STRUCTURAL OBSTACLES





## Why Identifying Obstacles is Crucial

- Key Reasons:
  - Provides a foundation for prioritizing reforms.
  - Enhances competitiveness and resilience in the economy.
  - Aligns with EU integration and transition goals.
- Extra Info:

Proper identification ensures reforms address root causes rather than symptoms





## **Categories of Structural Obstacles**

- Economic:
  - Barriers to competitiveness and innovation.
- Environmental:
  - Challenges in transitioning to a low-carbon, circular economy.
- Social:
  - Employment inequalities and gender disparities.
- Digital:
  - Gaps in digital transformation readiness.
- Extra Info: These categories often overlap, requiring coordinated responses





## **Effects of Obstacles on Growth**

- Competitiveness:
  - Reduced productivity and market integration.
- Sustainable and Inclusive Growth:
  - Unequal access to opportunities and resources.
- Environmental Impact:
  - Delays in meeting low-carbon targets.
- Social Consequences:
  - Unemployment and persistent gender inequality.
- Extra Info: Addressing these effects accelerates progress toward SDGs and EU benchmarks





## **Analytical Steps for Identifying Obstacles**

#### Review Past Analysis:

Identify recurring challenges from previous programmes.

#### Update Data:

Incorporate new information on emerging obstacles.

#### Assess Impacts:

Measure effects on competitiveness, inclusivity, and sustainability.

#### 4. Engage Stakeholders:

- o Include diverse perspectives for comprehensive insights.
- Extra Info: Use both quantitative data and qualitative feedback for a balanced analysis



## **Linking Obstacles to Policy Goals**

- Ensure obstacles are analyzed within the framework of:
  - Transition to a low-carbon economy.
  - Enhancing digital transformation.
  - Promoting gender equality and employment.
- Extra Info:

Aligning obstacle identification with policy goals ensures strategic reform design





## **Example Obstacles and Solutions**

- Obstacle: Lack of infrastructure for renewable energy.
  - Impact: Slows the transition to a low-carbon economy.
  - Solution: Invest in green technologies and streamline regulatory approvals.
- Obstacle: Digital skills gap in the workforce.
  - Impact: Limits digital transformation.
  - Solution: Develop training programs and incentives for upskilling.
- Extra Info: Tailored solutions should address both short-term and systemic challenges



## **Importance of Social Impact Analysis**

- Analyze how obstacles affect:
  - Employment opportunities.
  - Gender equality in the workforce.
- Extra Info: Integrate gender-sensitive policies and inclusive practices into reform strategies





## **Best Practices in Identifying Obstacles**

- Use evidence-based methods, such as:
  - Economic modeling and stakeholder consultations.
- Regularly update analyses to reflect new realities.
- Foster collaboration among government, private sector, and civil society.
- Extra Info: Continuous monitoring ensures that reforms remain relevant and impactful





## CONCLUSION

• Identifying structural obstacles is the cornerstone of effective reform planning.

• A robust analysis ensures targeted interventions that drive competitiveness, inclusivity, and sustainability.

