

CEE TOP 500: COFACE'S ECONOMIC VIEW ON THE LARGEST COMPANIES IN CENTRAL & EASTERN EUROPE

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DEVELOPMENT IN 2016

Turnover of CEE Top 500 companies decreased by

-0.6% in 2016

Net profits of CEE Top 500 decreased by

-3.1% in 2016

Employed people in the 500 biggest companies:

2.2 million

MAIN ECONOMIC DRIVING FORCES







RANKINGS

TOP 3 COUNTRIES



Poland | 168 companies

Hungary | 75 companies

Czech Republic | 71 comp.

EUR 87.8 bn turnover

LEADING SECTORS

EUR 128 bn | +8.6%

Automotive & transport

EUR 127 bn | -5.6

Minerals, chemicals, petroleum, plastics & pharma

EUR **92** bn | +6.6%

RISING EMPLOYMENT



- 3.9%

rise in employment rates in CEE Top 500 companies

- Lowest unemployment rates ever recorded in CEE
- Top rated Czech republic with only 4% unemployment rate

COMPANY MOVEMENTS



203 moved up



217 moved down



11 stayed the same



69 are new in the ranking

POSITIVE ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

GDP GROWTH



+3.4% in 2017 (f)*

+3.3% in 2018 (f)*

UPGRADES IN 2017

- > Bulgaria (upgrade to A4)
- > Czech Republic (to A2)
- > Latvia (upgrade to A3)
- > Russia (upgrade to B)



INSOLVENCIES

-3.9% in 2017 (f)*

-2.3% in 2018 (f)*

Forecast by Coface.