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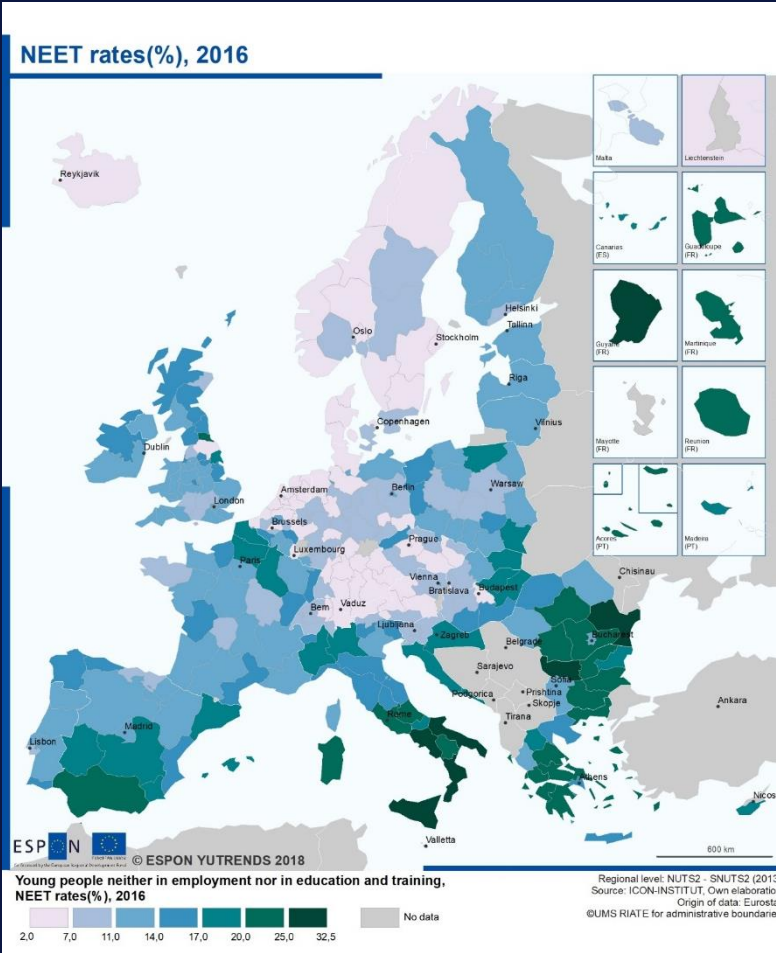
Inspire Policy Making with Territorial Evidence

// Youth Unemployment in trends and regional resilience

YUTRENDS

Example

Young persons (15-24) not in employment, education or training, for the reference year 2016



What makes a strong Youth Labour Market

Central characteristics of high-performing regions with low YU and a quick post-crisis recovery include:

- Skills composition of the youth workforce, balancing different skill categories
- Entrepreneurial culture easing the loss of jobs
- Quality of employee jobs, including part-time employment and job flexibility
- Labour mobility, particularly an increase of foreign nationals in the recovery period

Main factors influencing regional YU

The main aspect influencing YU is the form and structure of a region's economy

Other factors include:

- Economic sectors (tourism, ICT, social services, etc.)
- Knowledge economy - for youth in urban regions
- Climate change – and a region's relative attractiveness for tourism
- High levels of part-time, temporary, and self-employment
- Higher education levels of the population
- Large cities & mega-cities, neighbouring regions and regional clusters

Policies to reduce Youth Unemployment

Ten case studies led to identifying the following common policy themes in the efforts to reduce YU:

- ❖ Region-specific and flexible implementation of the national Youth Guarantee
- ❖ Collaboration between the key players providing YU support to increase its effectiveness
- ❖ Encouraging employer engagement with youth employment and higher awareness of the needs of young jobseekers

EU Cohesion Policy and regional Youth Unemployment

- ✓ Qualifying regions to different **Cohesion Policy support categories** via multi-factor determinant.
- ✓ National Youth Employment programmes with increased **regional and local flexibility**.
- ✓ **Joint implementation** of anti-YU programmes.
- ✓ More focus and **dedicated measures for NEETs**.
- ✓ **Real engagement of employers** into YE promotion and YU prevention initiatives.
- ✓ **School-to-work transition** systems improvements.

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