

Effects of globalisation on labour markets with special regard to the EU

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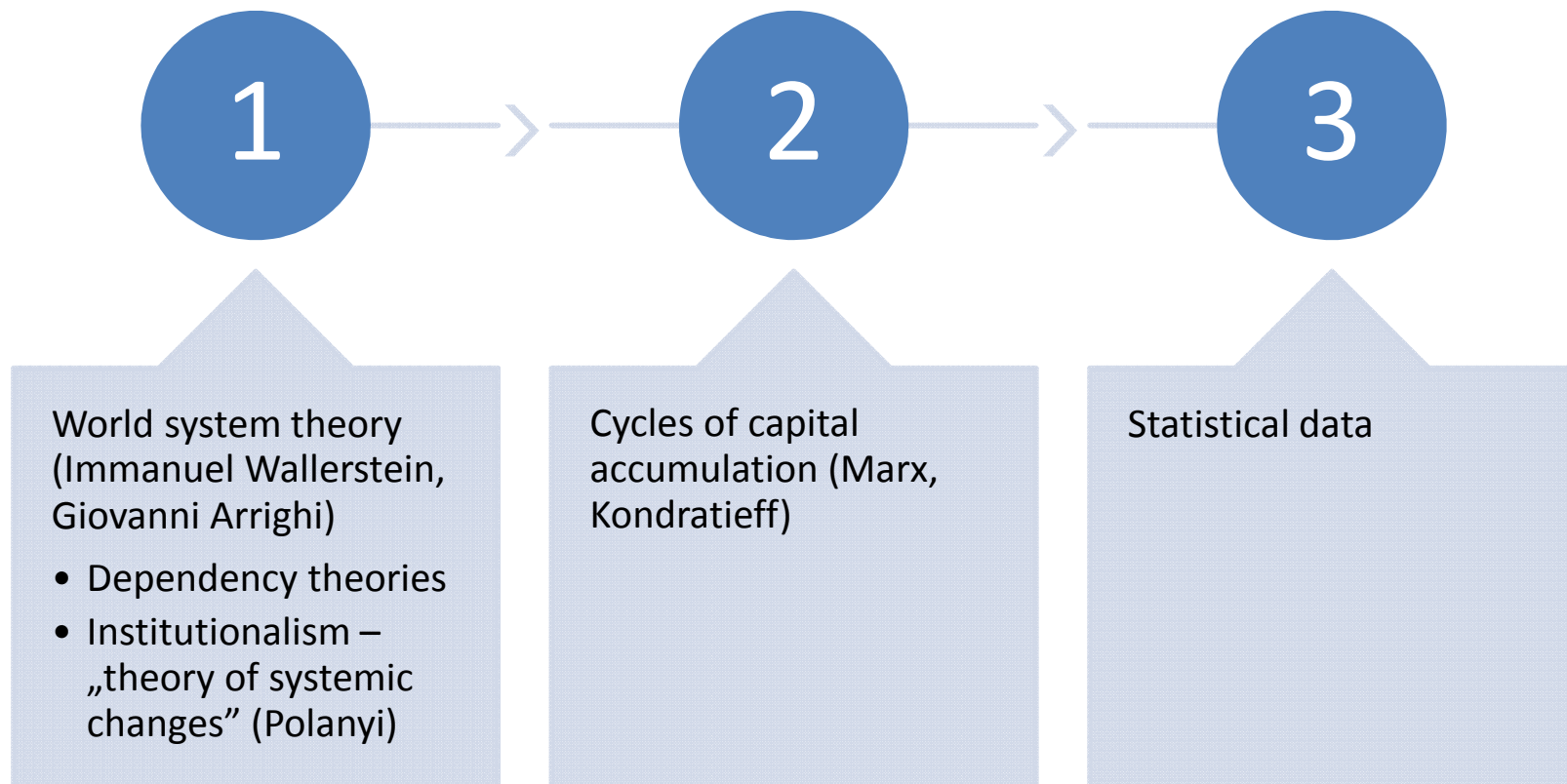
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Some features
of the
European
labour market

Research
question

How has the position of labour
been changing in the global
capitalist economy?

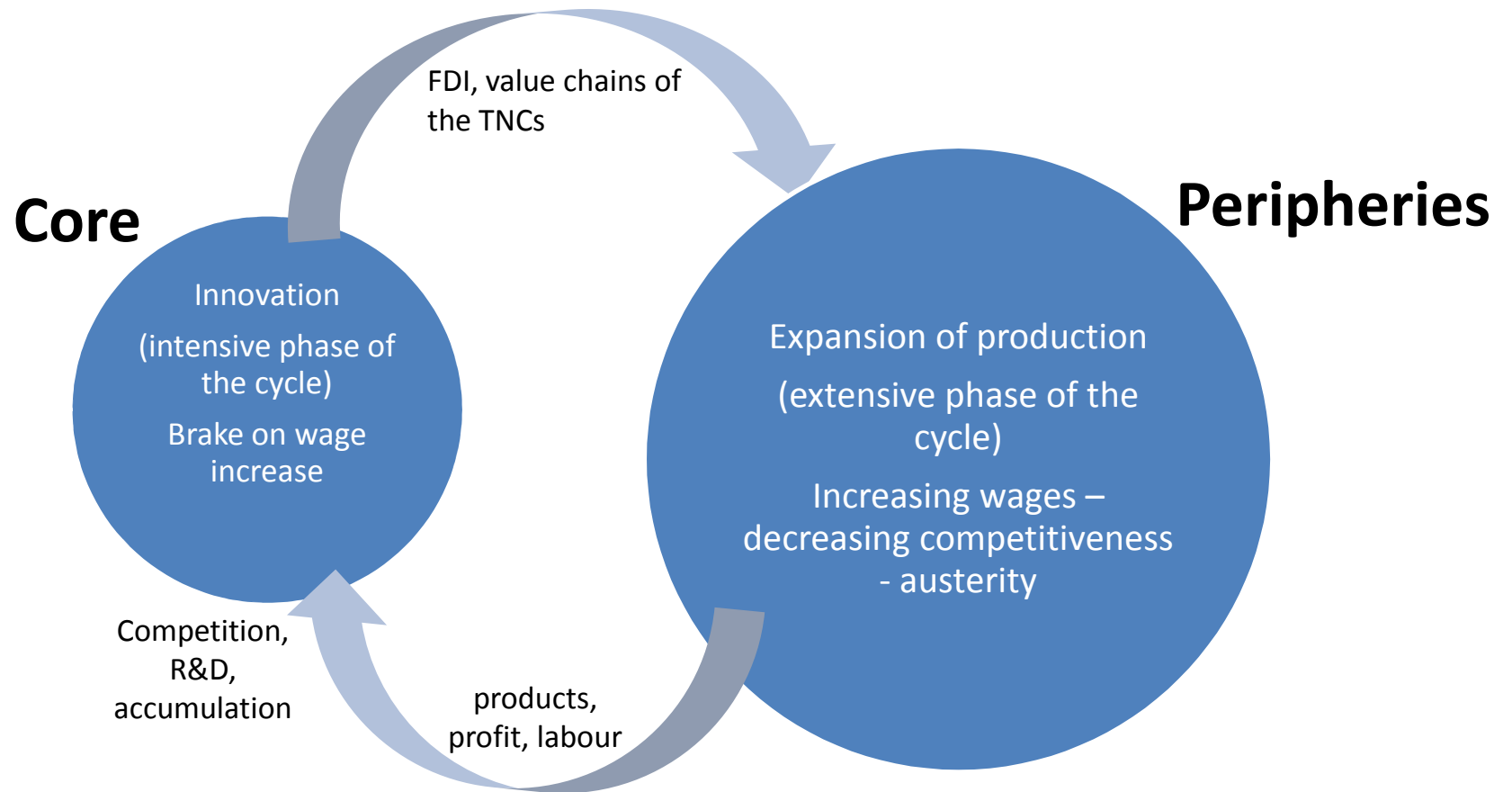
Theoretical pillars and methodology



Main tendencies I.

- Globalization of the cycles of capital accumulation
- Embeddedness (Polanyi) : involvement of masses into the wage labour system
 - China, India,
 - Africa
 - CEE – after the transformation crisis
- Consequences:
 - Cyclically and regionally different but eventually and on average deteriorating position of the wage labour

Global cycle of capital accumulation

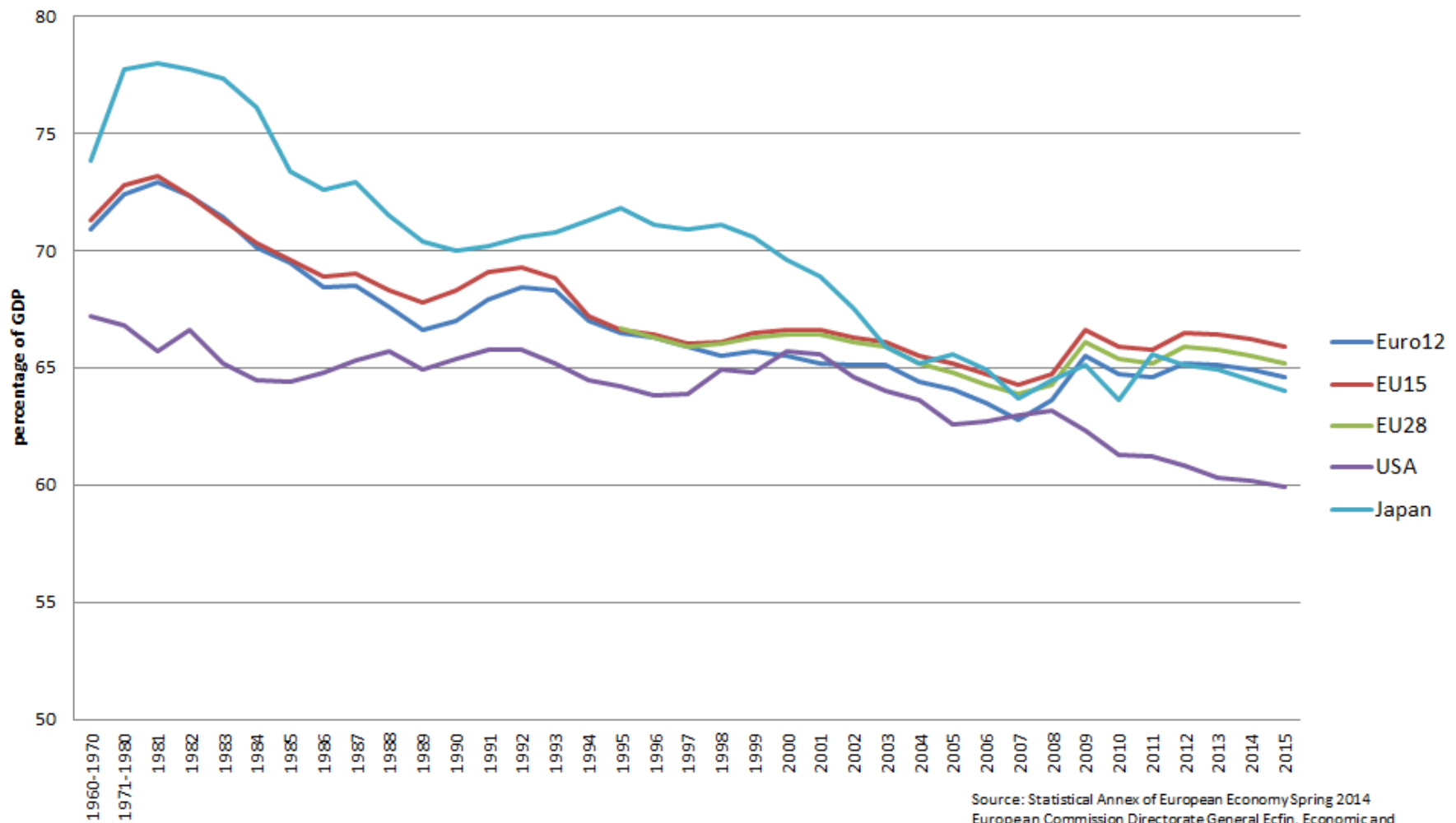


Main tendencies II.

- Decrease of the wage share
 - Cyclically, regionally
 - In the peripheries the wage share may increase – decreasing competitiveness


Wages/GDP

Adjusted wage share; total economy; as percentage of GDP at current factor cost



Main tendencies III. (ILO, 2000, 2016)

- Increasing number but falling share of „**vulnerable** employment” in total employment:
 - 2000: 52%, 1.38 billion people
 - 2016: 42%, 1.4 billion people
- The same with the **unemployment**:
 - Falling rate (6,1 – 5,8%)
 - Rising number (175mn – 201mn)
- **Working poor** (2\$ - 3,1\$)
 - 1.35bn – 780mn
 - 50% – 28%



Less than 1/3 of
the subsistence
level in Hungary

Main tendencies IV.

- Felixibility (not flexi**curity**) – a 21st century form of embeddedness



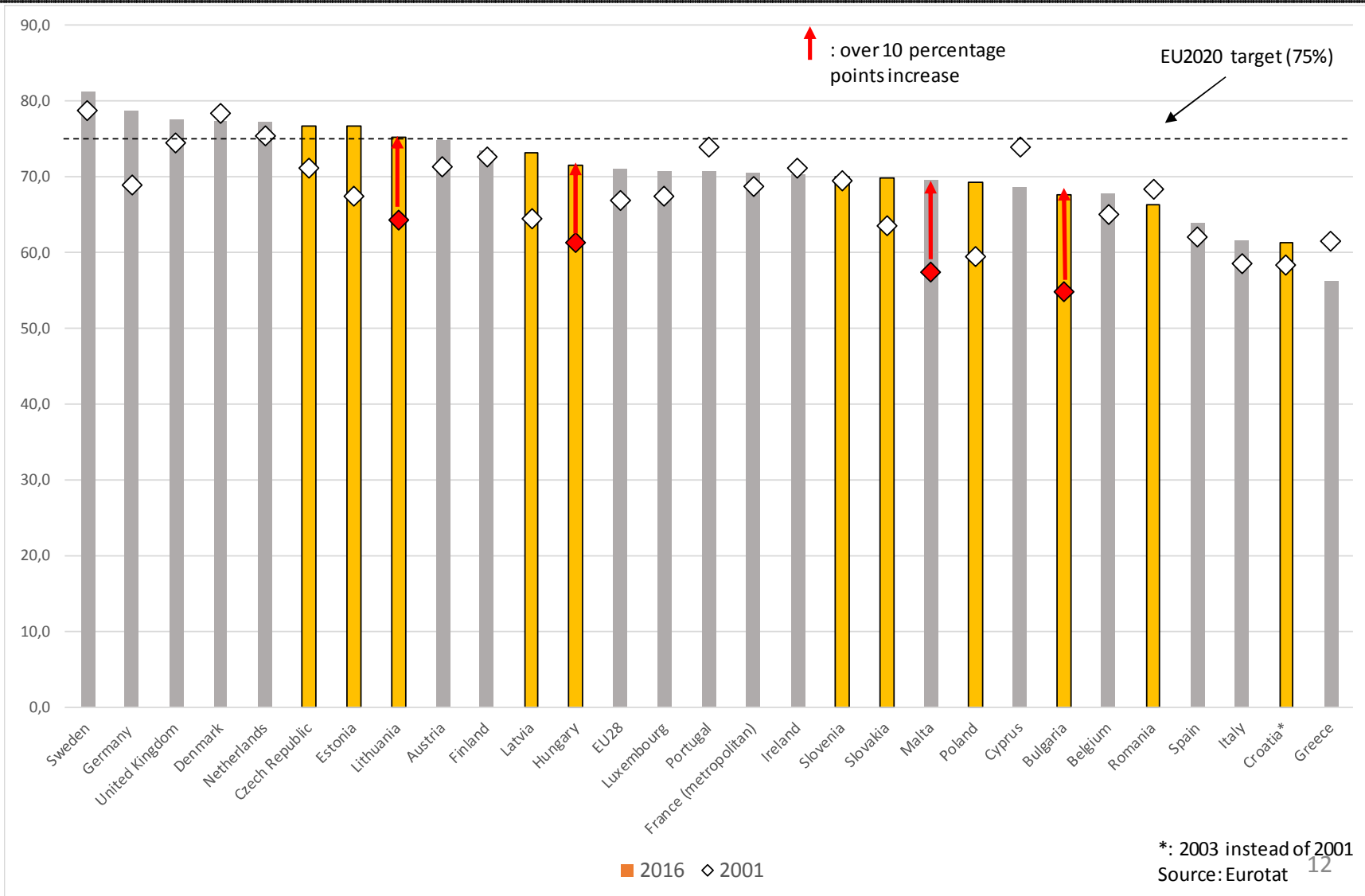
- **Precariat** (Guy Standing: The Precariat: The New Dangerous Class, 2011, Bloomsbury P. London)

The labour market of the EU

Statistical data

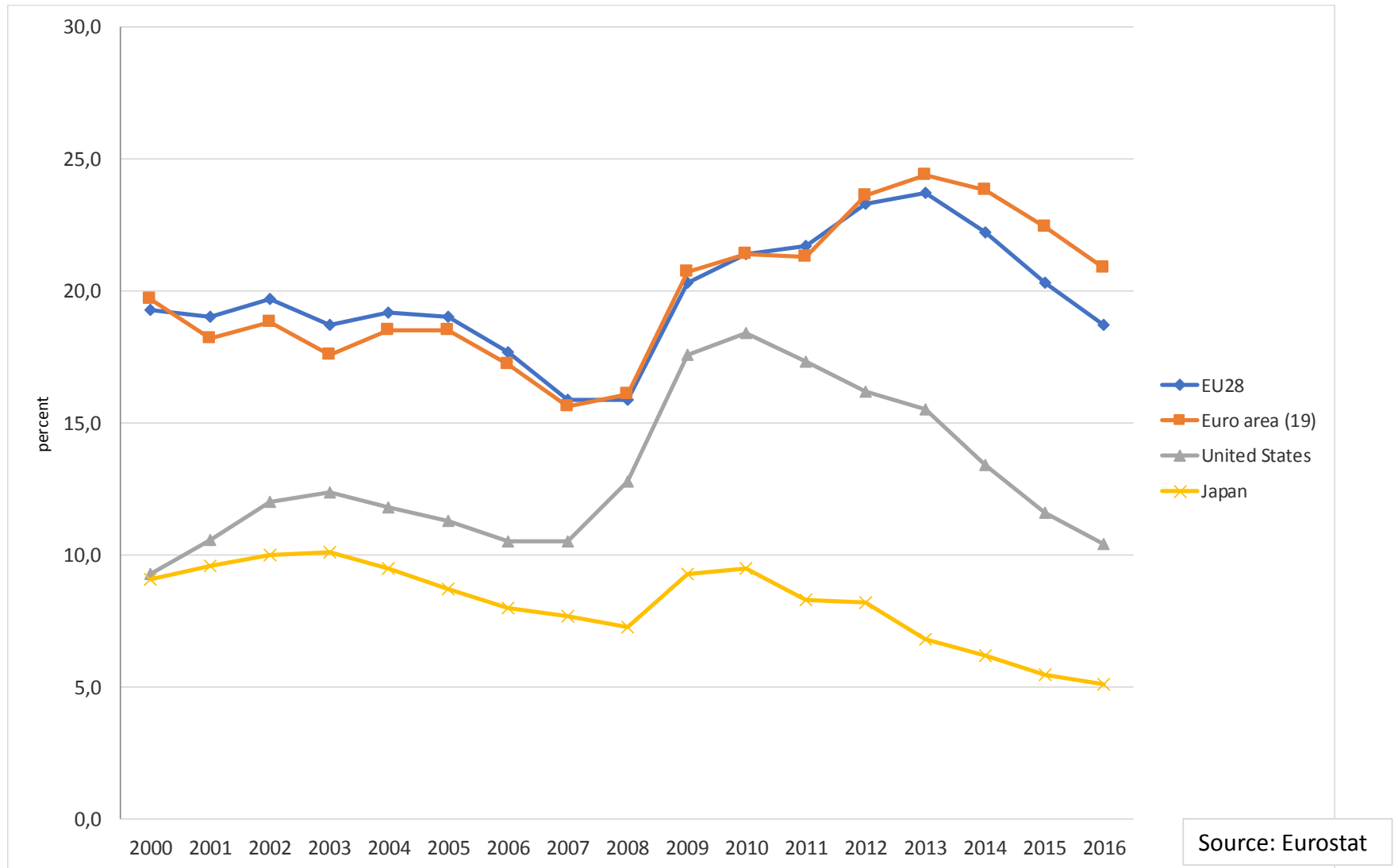
Employment rises on the European peripheries

Employment rate in the 20-64 year old population, 2001, 2016, percent



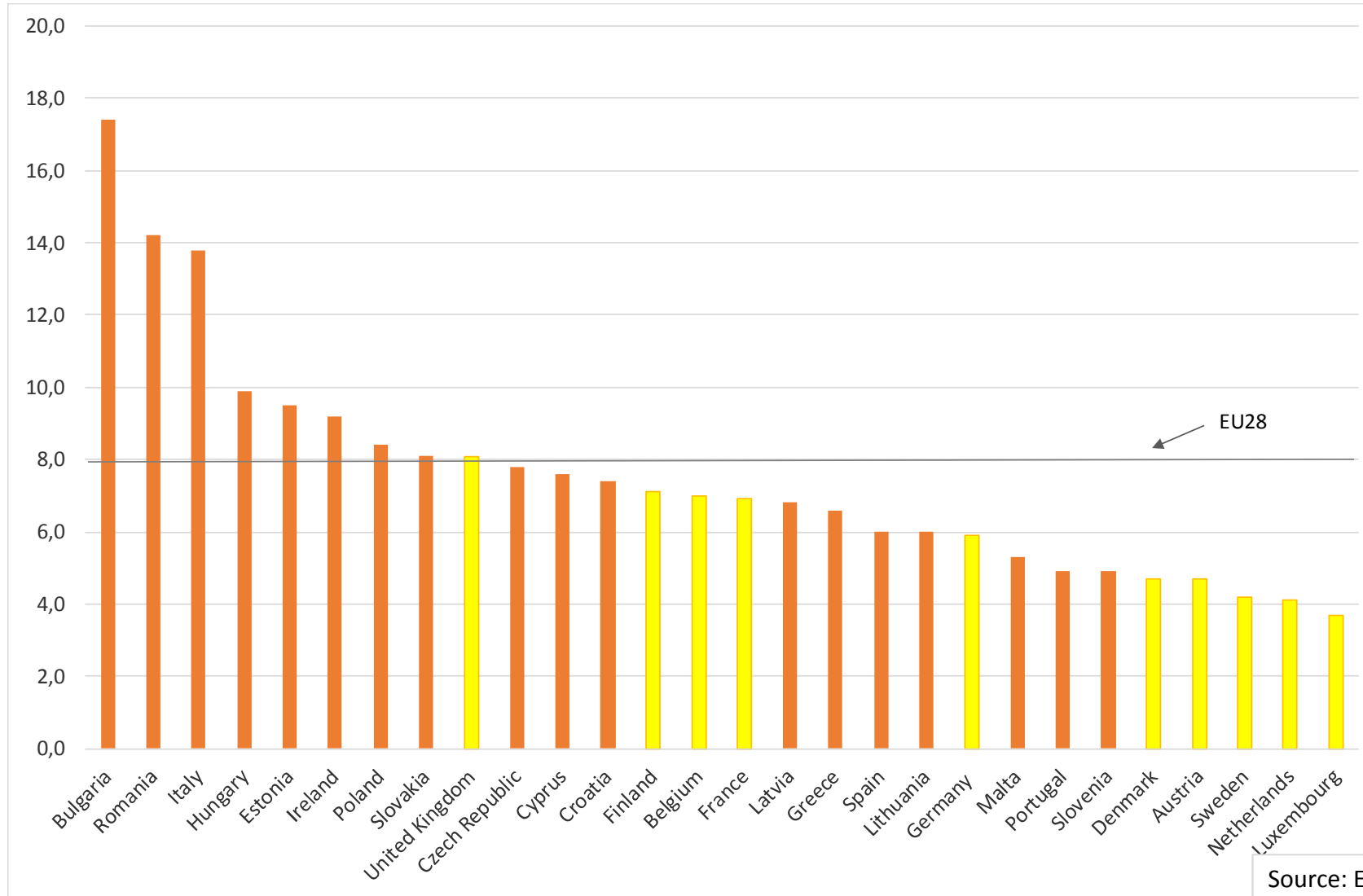
Youth unemployment is still a problem

Youth unemployment rate 2000-2016, percent



Youth unemployment in the form of NEETs

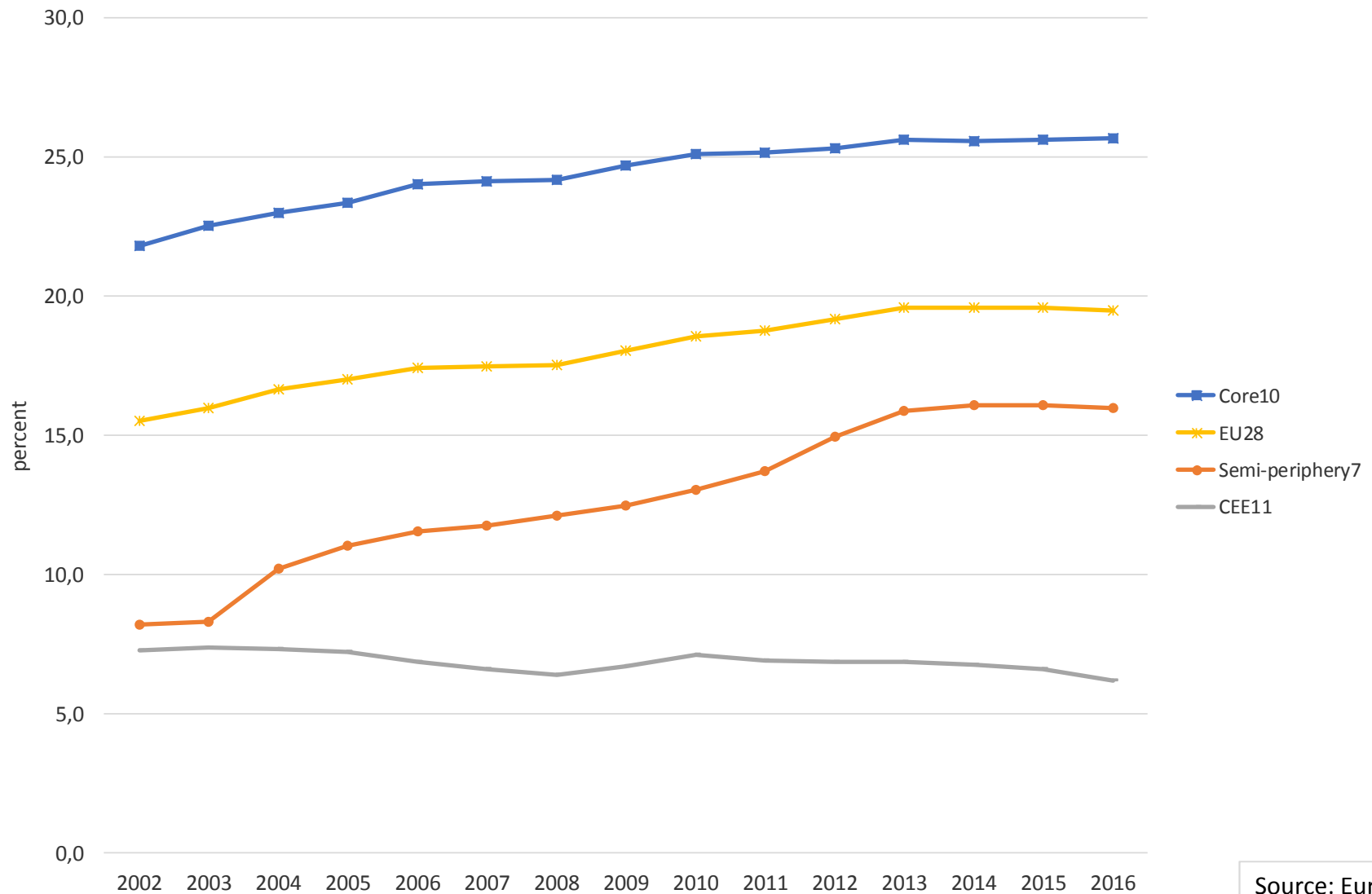
NEET rates, 15-29 years old, 2016, percent



Source: Eurostat

Atypical employment is on the rise

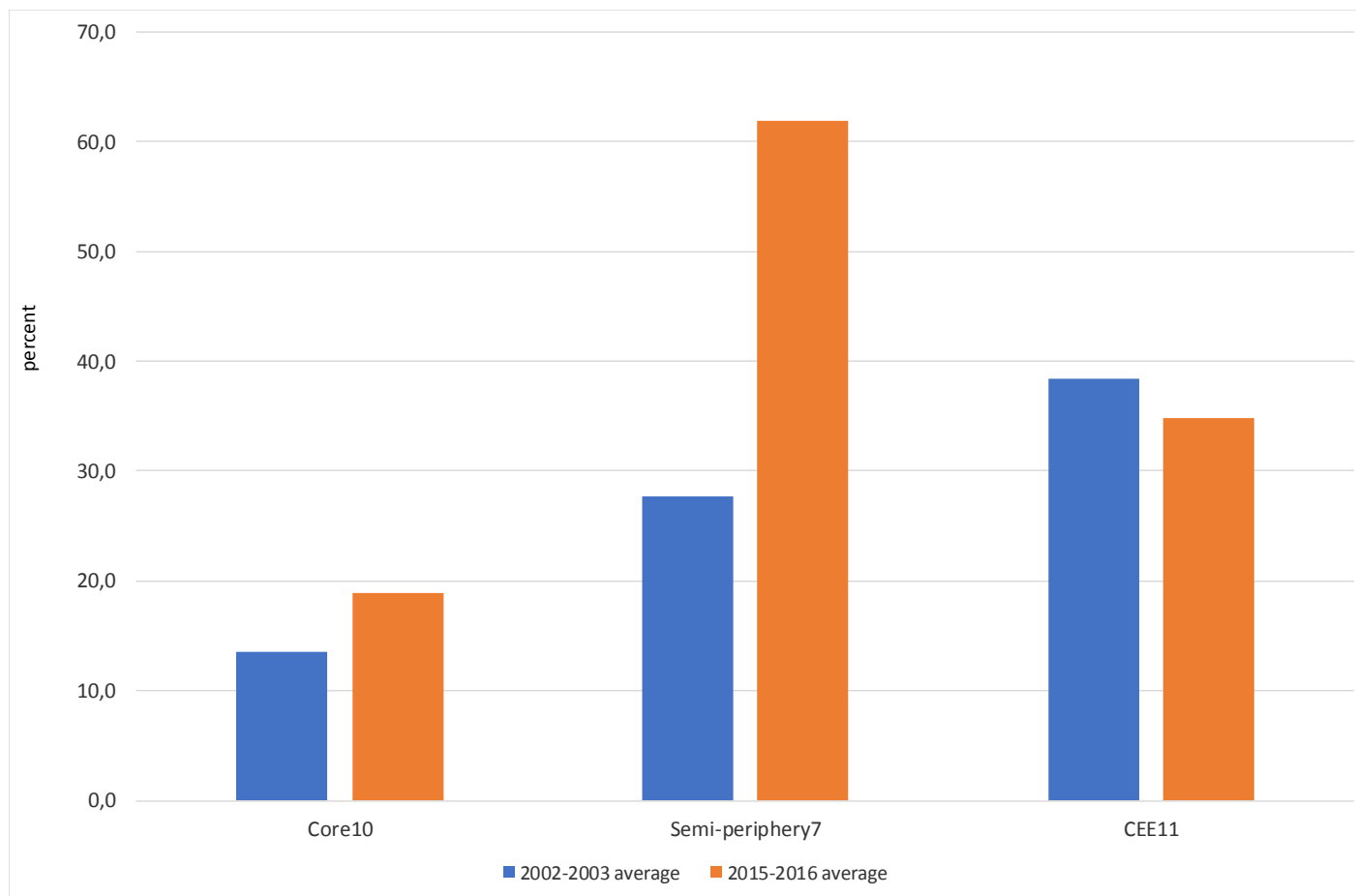
Share of part-time employment, 2002-2016,



Source: Eurostat

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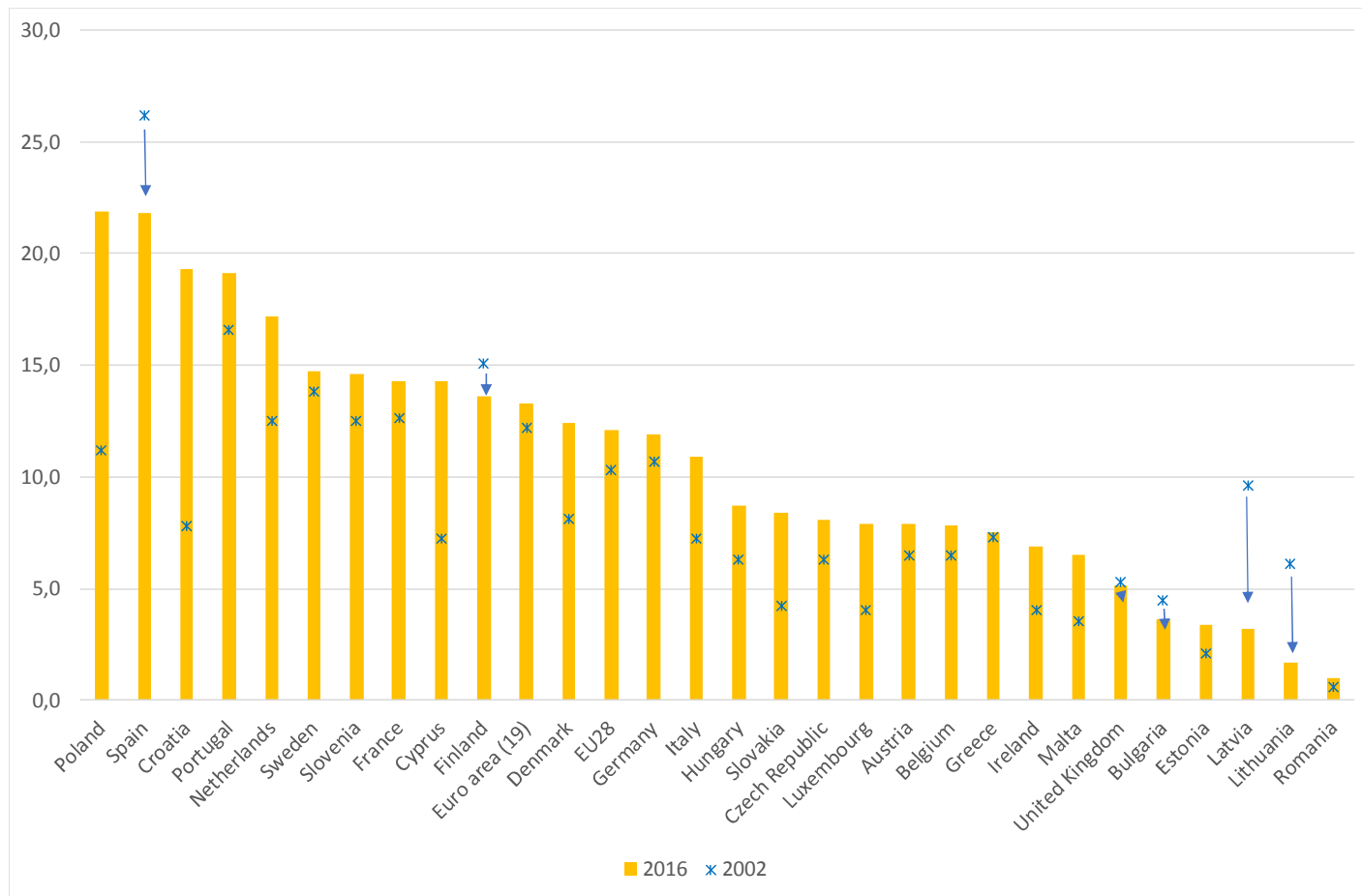
Share of non-voluntary part time jobs in total part time employment.
2002-2003 and 2015-2016, percent



Source: Eurostat

Atypical employment is on the rise

Share of fix term contracts in employment, 2002, 2016, percent



Source: Eurostat

Thank you for your attention!



Supplement

Squeeze in the tunnel

**Double
movement,
commodification**

- The share of value added to the invested capital is decreasing (automatization, decrease of live labour used in the production).
- The rate of profit to the invested capital has a tendency to decrease – what can be compensated by keeping wage share down.

