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Presenting:
The European Employment Strategy and its Tools

Summary:

To overcome the employment crisis, Member States need to pursue a number of reforms to address the main challenges in their labour markets, in accordance with their competences. In the European Employment Strategy the European Commission and the Member States jointly analyse the employment and social situation in the Member States and assess the main policy reform needs. The EES is part of the European Semester, a yearly cycle of economic coordination at EU level.

This presentation gives an overview of the main employment challenges in the European Union and the main labour market policy issues, also by presenting the results of the recently released Annual Growth Survey 2015 which sets the economic priorities for the EU in the coming year. Finally, it zooms into the main policies developed at EU level to support national efforts to manage skills formation and upgrading, including the set-up of skills forecasting and monitoring systems.

Key subjects addressed : EU employment, skills, European Semester, geographical mobility.