List of abbreviations

AMECO – Database of the European Commission's Directorate General for Economic and Financial Affairs

ARDECO - Database of the European Commission's Directorate General for Regional and Urban Policy

CEECs - Central and Eastern European Countries

EC - European Comission

EMDAT - The International Disaster Database by Centre of Research on the Epidemiology of Disasters

EP – Environmental Protection

ESPON – European Spatial Planning Observation Network

ESA - European System of Accounts

EU – European Union

FDI – Foreign Direct Investments

GDP – Gross Domestic Product

GFCF – Goss Fixed Capital Formation

GVA – Gross Value Added

HHI - Herfindahl-Hirschman Index

IMF – International Monetary Fund

ISCED - International Standard Classification of Education

NEET - The share of young people neither in employment, nor in education or training

OECD – Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development

PPP – Purchasing Power Parity

PRA - Property Rights Alliance

UNCTAD – United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

WEF - World Economic Forum

WGI - Worldwide Governance Indicator

WHO - World Health Organisation

YTD – Year to date (percentage change)