



Recovery and Resilience in Belgium

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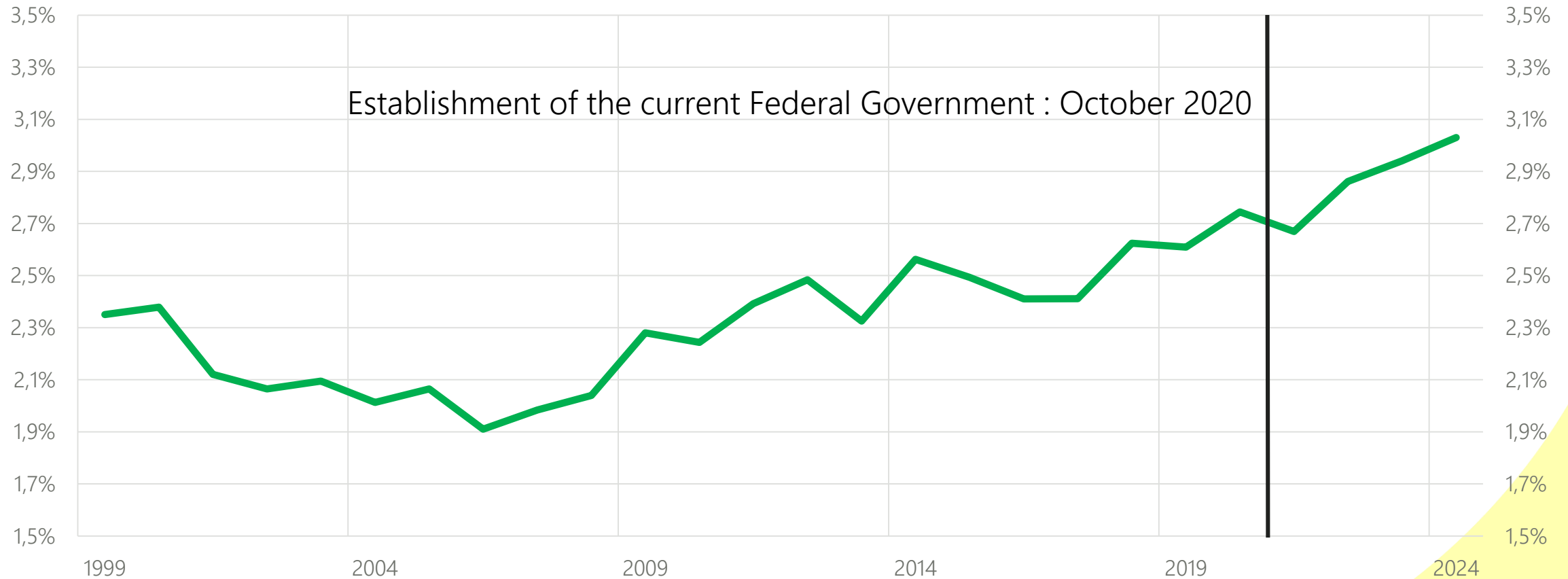
1 Belgium economic snapshot

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Belgium's public investment follows a positive trend



Gross Fixed Capital Formation by the public sector in Belgium
(% of GDP, Belgian Federal Planning Bureau)

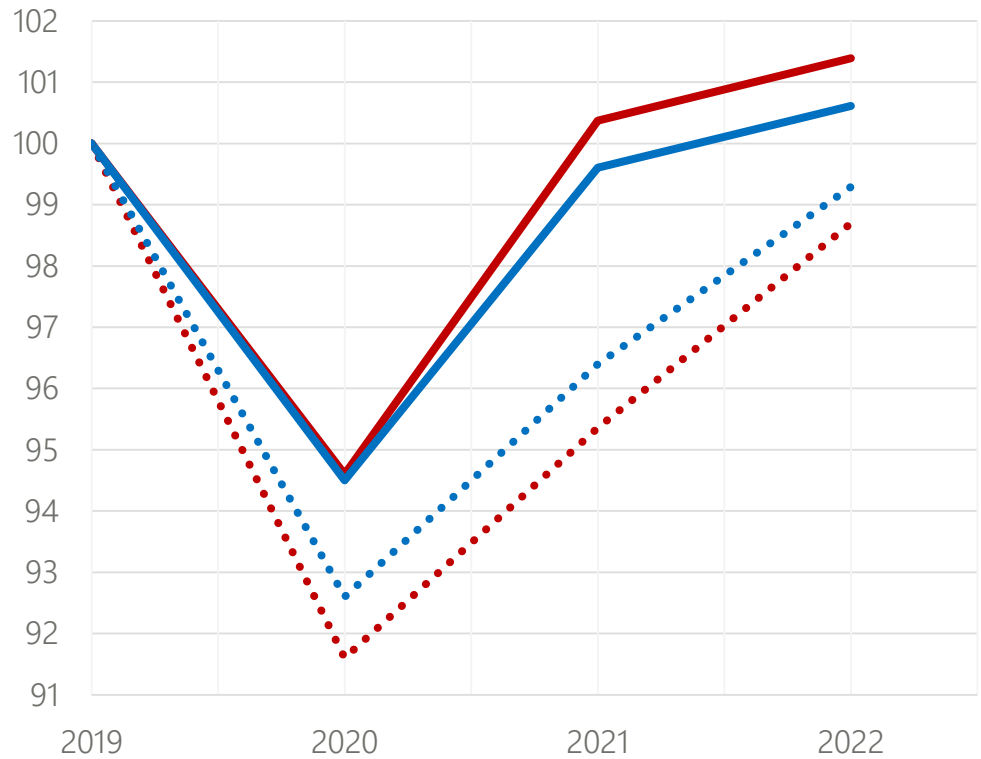


Economic activity and the labour market have recovered rapidly



Real GDP

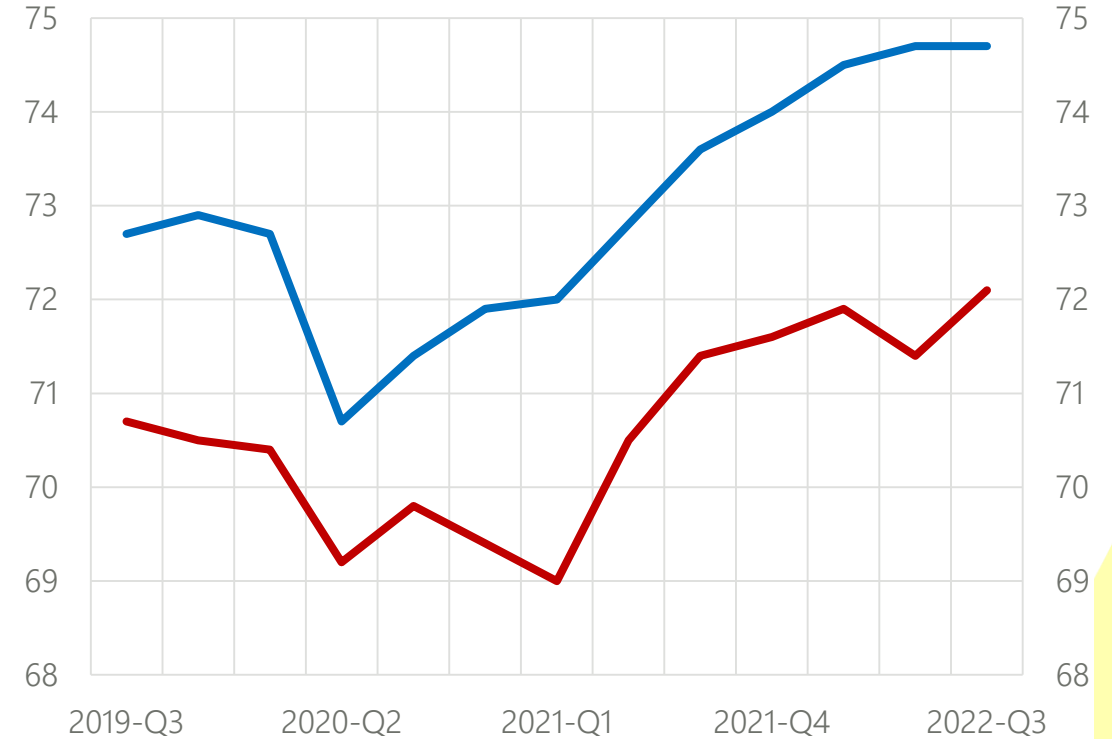
(2019 = 100, % of GDP, Eurostat)



— BE — UE BE - Forecast UE - Forecast

Employment rate

(20-64 years, Eurostat)



— EU — BE

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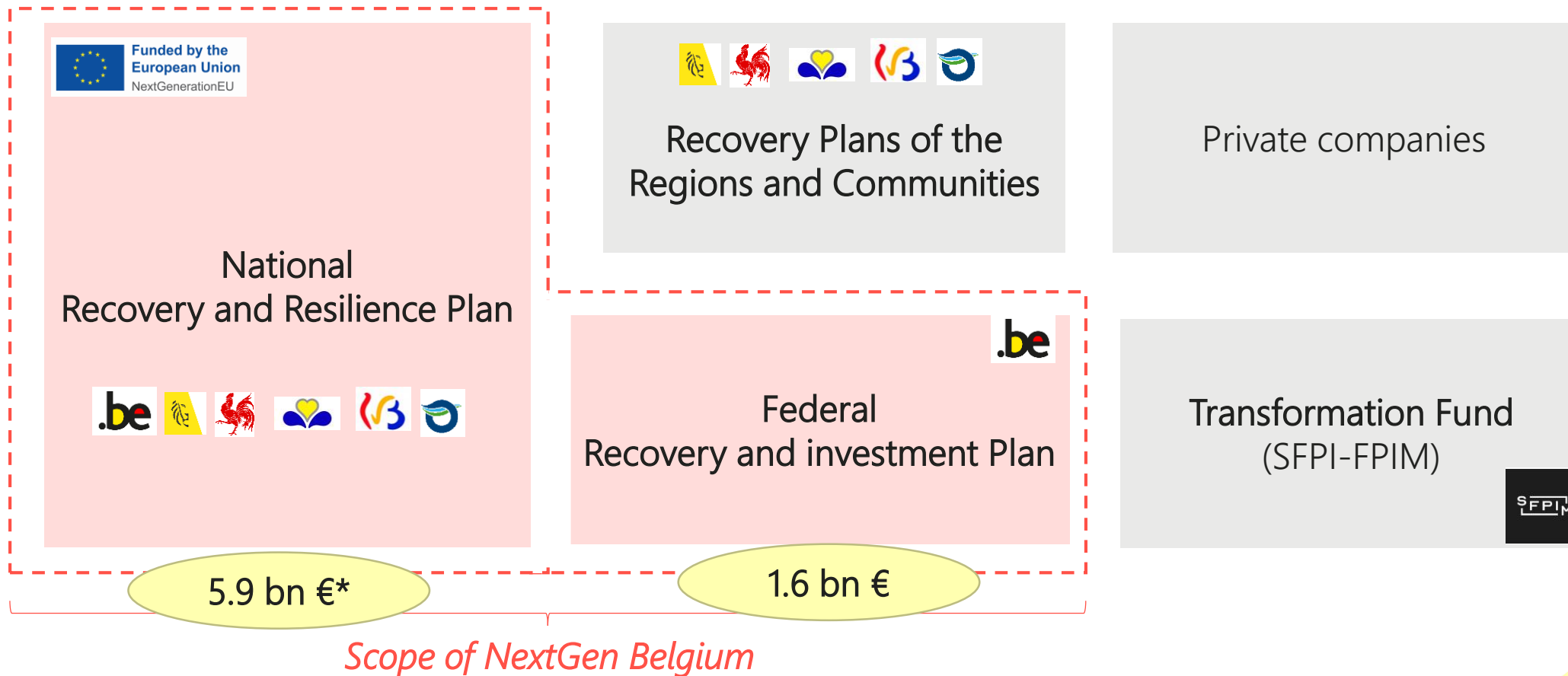
② **Belgium Recovery and Resilience Plan**

Recovery Plan(s) in Belgium



Recovery in Belgium

~20 bn €



The 5 strategic axes of Next Gen Belgium



Sustainable

Making a successful transition to a **low-carbon Economy**



Digital

Improving the **connectivity** of our economy while guarding against increasing risk



Mobile

Improve the **accessibility** of our cities and promote **alternative means** of mobility



Inclusive

Strengthen **strong social cohesion** and combat growing inequalities



Productive

Supporting the achievement of the **80% employment rate** while advancing research and innovation

Sustainability



- ✓ Reforms of the **energy renovation schemes** to encourage and accelerate the renovation of residential buildings (all Regions)
- ✓ Launch of engineering and design studies for the **offshore energy island**
- ✓ Awarding of contracts for the development of a **hydrogen value chain** (e.g. production of green hydrogen)
- ✓ Procurement for the development of a **low carbon industry** in Wallonia

Digital



- ✓ Creation of a Digital Transformation Office to guide the digitization of justice
- ✓ Introduction of the EU connectivity toolbox
- ✓ Introduction of a new platform facilitating interaction between the administration and citizens/businesses in the Brussels Region
- ✓ Selection of pilot projects for the AI Institute in Brussels
- ✓ Law establishing a Health Data Authority
- ✓ Launch of the first 5G auctions



Mobility

- ✓ Adoption of the **mobility budget** and the **company car reform**
- ✓ **Tax incentives** for the installation of private and semi-private charging stations
- ✓ Works to improve **railway station accessibility** and **6,000 new bicycle parking spaces**
- ✓ Delivery plans for **charging stations** (all Regions)
- ✓ **Rail infrastructure renovations** (34 rail infrastructure improvement projects completed)



Inclusion



- ✓ 2700 schools/establishments digitally equipped in Flanders, Brussels and the German-speaking community
- ✓ Deployment of **additional resources** in hundreds of schools and CPMS to support pupils who have difficulties in the context of covid
- ✓ Selection of '**Digibanks**' projects to fight the digital divide in Flanders
- ✓ Operationalisation of the **VirusBank** laboratory in partnership with universities

Productivity and innovation



- ✓ Reform of support to jobseekers in Wallonia
- ✓ **Learning account**: federal reform developing individual entitlement to training for employees.
- ✓ **Learning and Career Offensive**: training of 300,000+ people as part in Flanders
- ✓ Award of public contracts for projects promoting **circular economy** in Flanders and Wallonia
- ✓ A6KE6K - Digital and technological innovation and training hub
- ✓ R&D on minimizing waste in **nuclear** dismantling
- ✓ EU Biotech School to support start-ups and scale-ups

