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List of abbreviations

- CEECs – Central-East European Countries
CIS – Commonwealth of Independent States
CMEA – Council for Mutual Economic Assistance
CPI – Corruption Perception Index
EBRD – European Bank for Reconstruction and Development
EFTA – European Free Trade Association
EPL – Employment Protection Legislation
ESA – Employment Service Agency
EU – European Union
EU-8 – The 8 countries that joined European Union in May, 2004
FDI – Foreign Direct Investment
FSU – Former Soviet Union
FYROM – Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
GDI – Gross Disparity Index
GDP – Gross Domestic Product
GNI – Gross National Income
GNP – Gross National Product
ICLS – International Conference of Labour Statisticians
ILO – International Labour Office
IMF – International Monetary Found
IOM – International Organisation for Migration
LFS – Labour Force Survey
NAIRU – Non-Accelerating Inflation Rate of Unemployment
NDI – Net Disparity Index
NRU – Natural Rate of Unemployment
OECD – Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development
OST – Optimal Speed of Transition
SEECs – South-East European Countries
UN – United Nations
US – United States
WB – World Bank
WDI – World Development Indicators

