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SOLVIT Action Plan context

Single Market Strategy-Compliance package

Competitiveness Council in February 2016 following the 'Lisbon paper' called on the Commission to undertake urgent action to reinforce SOLVIT;

European Parliament has repeatedly called for SOLVIT to be bolstered;

Improve SOLVIT's quality-admin. capacity

❑ Enhance the administrative capacity of SOLVIT centres

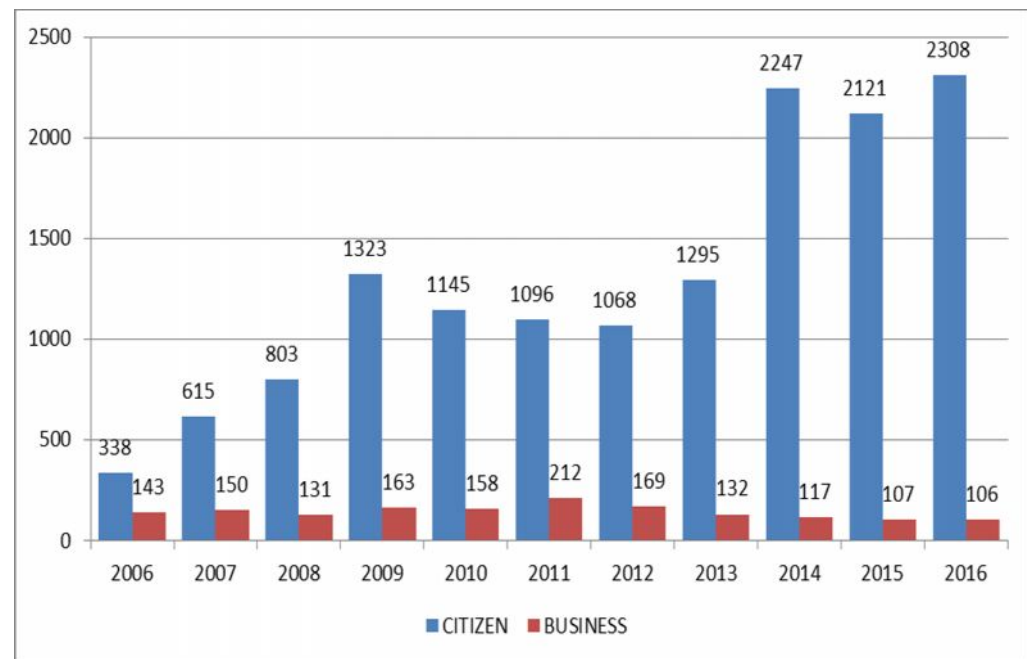


- ✓ More direct and effective legal support: improved facility for informal legal advice, interactive training tools and managing divergent views;
- ✓ EU programmes (eg SRSP, COSME) for trainings, exchange of national officials, targeted legal workshops with few MS etc

Increase use-businesses

□ Strategic awareness raising activities

□ Enhancing cooperation with intermediaries and relevant networks (eg EEN, business organisations, chambers of commerce)



Increase use-findability-SDG-direct connection with intermediaries

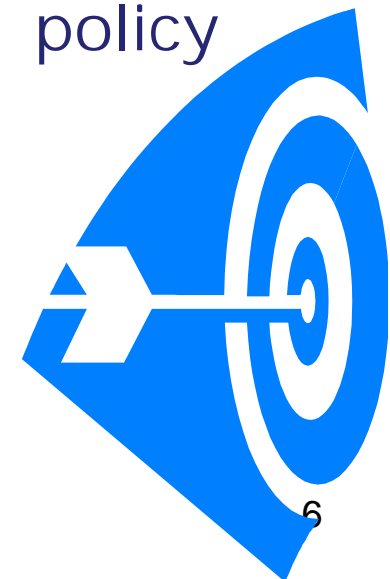
□ Improve SOLVIT's findability through Your Europe, subsequently as part of the wider Single Digital Gateway;

□ MS to ensure cooperation with national 'preferred partner' organisations and the national contact points of the different existing networks by using a direct connection with SOLVIT



Upgrade SOLVIT's role as EU law enforcement tool

- Ensuring the follow-up on structural and recurrent problems detected in SOLVIT
- In line with EC enforcement policy (Communication December 2016)



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□ Transfer of individual complaints submitted to the Commission to be handled by SOLVIT;





Next steps

Roadmap with timelines to feed into the process

Commission's commitment to strengthen SOLVIT's strategic role;

Member States to provide their SOLVIT centres with adequate staffing and recognition within their national administration;

Monitoring progress in bi-annual SOLVIT workshops.