

Roundup: Employer resources on EU's Pay Transparency Directive

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Section 1

Introduction

[European Union \(EU\) Directive 2023/970](#) aims to improve pay transparency, encourage organizations to review their pay structures, and enable individuals to enforce their equal pay rights. Under the directive, employers with 100 or more employees must publish an annual gender pay gap report. Employers are also banned from requesting applicants' salary history before hiring — to strengthen pay transparency and enforcement of equal pay for equal work.

For reference purposes, in 2024, the EU's unadjusted gender pay gap averaged 11.1%.

"Pay" covers — but is not limited to — salary and all related remuneration, including variable pay and benefits (cash or in-kind), bonuses, overtime, travel, housing and food allowances, training compensation, severance, statutory sick pay, and occupational pensions.

The directive's implementation date was June 7, 2026; however, most Member States are at the draft legislation stage or have announced delayed timetables.

To provide employers with information on the EU directive and Member States' implementation, this roundup provides links to government information, third-party analyses, news articles, and viewpoints. The aggregated content in each section is organized in reverse chronological order and is by no means comprehensive.

Section 2

Government information

- [New EU rules on pay transparency explained](#) (European Commission, June 5, 2026)
- [Directive \(EU\) 2023/970 to strengthen the application of the principle of equal pay for equal work or work of equal value between men and women through pay transparency and enforcement mechanisms](#) (EURLex, May 17, 2023)
- [National transposition measures communicated by the Member States](#) (EUR-Lex, regularly updated)
- [EU action for equal pay](#) (European Commission)
- [EU-wide guidelines on gender-neutral job evaluation and classification: step-by-step toolkit](#) (European Institute for Gender Equality, March 2026)
- [Gender Equality Strategy 2026-2030](#) (EUR-Lex, March 5, 2026)
- [Q&A on proposed measures on pay transparency to ensure equal pay for equal work](#) (European Commission, March 4, 2021)

Section 3

Law firm analysis, news and viewpoints

- [European Union \(EU\) directive on equal pay and pay transparency](#) (Mercer, June 9, 2026)
- [EU pay transparency directive: What it means for mobile employees](#) (Mercer, April 24, 2026)
- [Countdown to the EU pay transparency directive](#) (Mercer, February 6, 2026)
- [Building for the EU pay transparency directive](#) (Mercer, November 20, 2025)
- [Implementation of EU pay transparency directive](#) (Bird & Bird)
- [EU pay transparency directive tracker](#) (Dentons, August 2026)
- [EU pay transparency rules in force](#) (KPMG, August 13, 2026)
- [EU pay transparency directive — latest country updates as at 12 August 2026](#) (Deloitte, August 12, 2026)
- [EU pay transparency directive: Data protection](#) (Eversheds Sutherland, August 5, 2026)
- [Pay transparency compliance underway across the EU](#) (Ogletree Deakins, August 3, 2026)
- [Beyond the directive: Practical strategies for EU pay transparency compliance](#) (webinar) (Seyfarth Shaw, July 29, 2026)
- [EU pay transparency: Member states near transposition finish line](#) (L&E Global, July 28, 2026)
- [European Commission reconfirms it expects full compliance](#) (DLA Piper, July 27, 2026)
- [EU pay transparency directive \(Directive \(EU\) 2023/970\)](#) (KPMG, July 23, 2026)
- [The new EU pay transparency directive may reshape wages and the gender pay gap](#) (CEPR, July 17, 2026)
- [EU pay transparency: Member states near transposition finish line](#) (Jackson Lewis, July 14, 2026)

- [How EU's pay disclosure lag can benefit US employers](#) (subscription required) (Bloomberg Law, July 13, 2026)
- [EU pay transparency directive — consequences of the failure to transpose it into national law by 7 June 2026](#) (Heuking, July 9, 2026)
- [EU pay transparency directive — latest country updates as at 6 July 2026](#) (Deloitte, July 7, 2026)
- [Test of fairness: Paying your workers enough to live on](#) (PwC, July 3, 2026)
- [Pay transparency in Europe and the UK: What employers need to know](#) (Mayer Brown, July 2, 2026)
- [AI opportunity inequality: The next gender pay gap?](#) (Lewis Silkin, July 2, 2026)
- [The EU pay transparency directive: What global mobility leaders need to know](#) (Fragomen, July 1, 2026)
- [EU pay transparency directive 2026: No EU-level delay and no time for employers to wait](#) (Lewis Silkin, July 1, 2026)
- [EU pay transparency directive: Monthly implementation status map](#) (Baker McKenzie, June 2026)
- [The EU pay transparency directive after the transposition deadline: What companies and employers need to know](#) (Bird & Bird, June 2026)
- [Gender pay transparency: The new edition of our global guide brings you the latest developments](#) (DLA Piper, June 2026)
- [The pay transparency directive comes into force on 7 June 2026 — how are your preparations going?](#) (Squire Patton Boggs, June 2026)
- [Pay transparency lessons for employers from first three member states' legislation](#) (L&E Global, June 30, 2026)
- [EU pay transparency directive: Practical briefing for international employers](#) (Mayer Brown, June 30, 2026)
- [What does the EU pay transparency directive mean for benefits compliance](#) (Personnel Today, June 29, 2026)
- [Which employees fall under the Pay Transparency Directive](#) (Grant Thornton, June 15, 2026)
- [The EU pay transparency clock is ticking — what does it mean for UK employers?](#) (HR Grapevine, June 15, 2026)

- [EU pay transparency: Lessons for employers from first three member states' legislation](#) (Jackson Lewis, June 12, 2026)
- [EU pay transparency directive: Deadlines missed, but the real work starts now](#) (Baker McKenzie June 12, 2026)
- [The pay transparency directive is live: Here are 10 things you need to know about it](#) (Lewis Silkin, June 11, 2026)
- [Suppose the EU gave a pay transparency directive and \(almost\) nobody ratified it?](#) (A&O Shearman, June 10, 2026)
- [EU pay transparency directive: A cross-border snapshot for employers](#) (Hogan Lovells, June 8, 2026)
- [Did member states meet the deadline? Status of implementation of the EU pay transparency directive](#) (Littler, June 8, 2026)
- [EU pay transparency directive: The deadline for transposition has passed – What now?](#) (Morgan Lewis, June 8, 2026)
- [A party of no-shows? Implementation of the pay transparency directive — A view across Europe](#) (Squire Patton Boggs, June 4, 2026)
- [EU pay transparency directive: The transposition deadline is looming — what now?](#) (Crowell & Moring, June 4, 2026)
- [EU pay transparency + uneven member state adoption: Four points for multinational employers](#) (Jackson Lewis, June 4, 2026)
- [Gender pay transparency directive: EU holds firm on implementation despite Sweden's push for changes](#) (DLA Piper, June 3, 2026)
- [The EU pay transparency directive after the transposition deadline: What companies and employees need](#) (Bird & Bird, June 3, 2026)
- [EU pay transparency directive — latest country updates as at 1 June 2026](#) (Deloitte June 2, 2026)
- [CEE transposition status of the EU pay transparency directive](#) (Kinstellar, May 2026)
- [Pay transparency, deviation implementation tracker](#) (Bird & Bird, April 2026)
- [Transposition of the EU pay transparency directive across 27 member states](#) (L&E Global, April 20, 2026)
- [The EU pay transparency directive: key considerations across Europe](#) (DWF Group, April 17, 2026)

- [EU guidelines for gender-neutral job evaluation: compliance with the pay transparency directive 2026](#) (Lewis Silkin, March 27, 2026)
- [Pay transparency: A multi-country guide](#) (Bird & Bird, March 2026)
- [EU pay transparency law approved](#) (Mercer, May 30 2023)

Section 4

Member States' implementation

Austria

- [Austrian labour minister submitted draft bill into the government's political coordination process](#) (DLA Piper, June 24, 2026)

Belgium

- [Décret modifiant le décret du 12 décembre 2008 relatif à la lutte contre certaines formes de discrimination](#) (French) (it is applicable only to public sector employees in Belgium's French community) (September, 2024)
- [Belgium misses the deadline for transposing the pay transparency directive](#) (L&E Global, June 30, 2026)
- [Transposition deadline for the EU pay transparency directive has passed: Can Belgian employers afford to wait?](#) (Liedekerke, June 10, 2026)
- [Belgium reportedly seeks extension to implement gender pay transparency directive](#) (DLA Piper, June 4, 2026)
- [Belgium seeks extension for EU pay transparency directive](#) (Baker McKenzie, June 2, 2026)
- [België vraagt Europa om uistel loontransparantie](#) (Dutch) (De Tijd, June 1, 2026)
- [Transparence salariale: la Belgique demande un sursis de six mois à la Commission](#) (French) (subscription required) (L'Echo, June 1, 2026)

Bulgaria

- [Draft law](#) (Bulgarian) (Government, May 19, 2026)

Croatia

- [New EU salary transparency rules being, Croatia still finalising implementation](#) (Croatia Week, June 7, 2026)

Czech Republic

- [Draft law](#) (Czech) (Government, January 1, 2026)
- [Pay transparency in Czech Republic: New employers' obligations](#) towards employees and applicants for employers (CMS, June 26, 2026)
- [Pay transparency in the Czech Republic: An introduction to the EU Directive and proposed national implementation \(Part 1\)](#) (CMS, April 29, 2026)
- [Implementation of the EU pay transparency directive in the Czech Republic](#) (L&E Global, April 20, 2026)

Cyprus

- [Draft law](#) (Greek) (Government, November 5, 2025)

Denmark

- [Draft legislation](#) (Danish) (Government, February 26, 2026)
- [Denmark prepares to implement the EU pay transparency directive](#) (Lockton, June 2, 2026)
- [Transposing the EU pay transparency directive](#) (WTW, April 23, 2026)

Estonia

- [Estonia takes first step towards pay transparency implementation](#) (DLA Piper, July 16, 2026)
- [Estonia to adopt some elements of EU's equal pay directive](#) (ERR, April 22, 2026)

Finland

- [Draft legislation](#) (Finnish) (Government, May 16, 2026)
- [Finland's implementation of the gender pay transparency directive faces further delay](#) (DLA Piper, June 18, 2026)
- [Finland prepares to implement the EU pay transparency directive](#) (Lockton, June 2, 2026)
- [Implementation of the pay transparency directive delayed in Finland](#) (Hannes Snellman, May 12, 2026)

France

- [France releases an amended draft law to implement the pay transparency directive](#) (Littler, June 11, 2026)
- [Implementation of the EU pay transparency directive — new developments in France](#) (Eversheds Sullivan, June 9, 2026)

Germany

- [Pay transparency and data protection: What employers need to know now](#) (DLA Piper, July 21, 2026)
- [Germany's federal anti-discrimination agency updates tool for reviewing pay equality](#) (DLA Piper, June 17, 2026)
- [The EU Pay Transparency Directive — next steps despite missing implementation](#) (Orrick, June 12, 2026)
- [Pay transparency in Germany after 7 June 2026: Where do employers stand now?](#) (Addleshaw Goddard, June 11, 2026)
- [German implementation of the EU gender pay transparency directive: Legislation not expected before 2027](#) (DLA Piper, June 9, 2026)
- [EU pay transparency directive — the implementation deadline has passed: what does this mean for Germany? — debunking common myths](#) (Bird & Bird, June 8, 2026)
- [Compensation under scrutiny: Pay transparency as a new M&A factor](#) (Bird & Bird, April 28, 2026)

Greece

- [Law 5316/2026](#) (Greek) (Official Gazette, July 6, 2026)
- [Greece becomes fifth member state to finalize directive transposition](#) (Jackson Lewis, July 24, 2026)
- [Greece implements the Gender Pay Transparency Directive with some gold-plating](#) (DLA Piper, July 16, 2026)
- [Greece transposes the EU pay transparency directive: What employers need to know](#) (Lewis Silkin, July 13, 2026)

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- [Greece's Pay Transparency Directive draft: why everything keeps ending up at the Ombudsman](#) (The Pay Transparency Brief, June 4, 2026)

Hungary

- [Hungary may miss deadline for transposing EU's pay transparency directive: What should Hungarian employers expect?](#) (CMS, May 8, 2026)

Ireland

- [Gender pay gap portal: Public-facing platform launched in Ireland](#) (DLA Piper, June 26, 2026)
- [Gender pay gap portal now publicly available](#) (Arthur Cox, June 19, 2026)
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- [The EU pay transparency directive: What businesses need to know](#) (Crowe, June 11 2026)
- [Update on EU pay transparency directive and key actions for employers](#) (A&L Goodbody, June 8, 2026)
- [Update on Irish transposition of EU pay transparency directive and centralised gender pay portal](#) (A&L Goodbody, May 29, 2026)
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Italy

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- [Pay equality: Legislative Decree n. 96/2026 is in force. What changes for companies?](#) (Norton Rose Fulbright, June 2026)
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- [Gender pay transparency: Legislative Decree no. 96/2026 enters into force on 7 June 2026](#) (Osborne Clarke, June 3, 2026)
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Latvia

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Lithuania

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Luxembourg

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Netherlands

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Portugal

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Romania

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- [Pay transparency in Romania: From compliance obligation to risk management](#) (Kinstellar, June 2026)
- [Draft law implementing the Gender Pay Transparency Directive currently before parliament](#) (update) (DLA Piper, June 23, 2026)
- [Romania moves ahead with draft implementation of EU pay Transparency directive](#) (Ogletree Deakins, April 13, 2026)
- [Romania revises transposing legislation for EU pay transparency directive: Key changes for employers](#) (Lewis Silkin, April 10, 2026)

Slovak Republic

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- [Law](#) (Slovak) (Government, April 15, 2026)
- [Slovakia implemented the pay transparency directive on time](#) (podcast) (Lewis Silkin, June 9, 2026)
- [Equal Pay Act is passed in Slovakia to implement the Gender Pay Transparency Directive \(updated\)](#) (DLA Piper, May 8, 2026)
- [First past the post: Slovakia becomes the first EU member state to transpose the Pay Transparency Directive](#) (Lewis Silkin, April 24, 2026)

Spain

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- [Spain moves to strengthen pay transparency and implement EU Gender Pay Transparency Directive](#) (DLA Piper, April 27, 2026)

Sweden

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