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TRENDS IN THE EVOLUTION OF THE ECONOMIC ACTIVITY IN THE PERIOD AUGUST – OCTOBER 2015

- Growth tendency of the activity in retail trade
- Relative stability in the number of employees in industry, construction and services
- Relative stability of prices in all economic sectors

Trends in the economic activity

| Evolutions | Manufacturing | | Construction | | Retail trade | | Services | |
|---------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| | July-Sept. 2015 | Aug Oct. 2015 |
| Economic situation | ~ | ~ | ~ | - | ~ | ~ | ~ | ~ |
| Number of employees | - | - | - | - | ~ | ~ | - | - |
| Prices | - | - | - | - | * | - | - | - |

The balance indicator indicates the perception of companies' manager over the dynamics of a phenomenon, which should NOT be seen as the intensity of increase or decrease in the statistical indicator value.

Manufacturing

According to the business tendency survey of August 2015, managers from manufacturing forecast a moderate growth of the production volume (balance +7%) for the next three months. For some of the activities, there will be an increase tendency as follows: the manufacture of paper and paper products and of electric equipments (balances +26%), followed by the manufacture of textile products (balance +21%).

For the prices of the industrial products a relative stability is forecast for the next three months (balance +1%).

Regarding the number of employees, a relative stability is forecast, the balance being 0% per total manufacturing.

Construction

According to August 2015 estimations, there will be a relative stability in the production volume of the construction activity for the next three months (balance +4%) and in the stock of contracts and orders (balance +1%).

Managers also forecast a relative stability in the number of employees (balance +3%) and in the prices of construction works (balance +1%).

Retail trade

In the retail trade sector, managers estimate an increase in the economic activity (balance +19%) for the next three months.

Employers forecast for the next three months, a moderate increase in the number of employees (balance +9%) and of the volume of orders placed by the trade units to the suppliers of goods (balance +11%).

For the three months, the managers of trade companies estimate a relative stability of retail selling prices (balance -4%).

Services

According to August 2015 estimations, the demand of services (turnover) will have a moderate growth in the next three months (balance +10%).

In the services sector, a relative stability in the number of employees is forecast (balance +1%).

According to the managers' opinion, the selling or invoice prices of provisions will have a trend of relative stability (balance +1%).

Additional information:

For the correct interpretation of results, kindly see the Methodological Note.

The next press release on the trends of the economic activity will be issued on September 28, 2015.

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