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Executive summary

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Labour consultants were found to only have a reserve of activities in one country in the sample. A labour consultant in Italy (*Consulente del lavoro*) has a shared reserve of activities with lawyers, commercial law experts and accountants to advise on compliance requirements relating to employment, social security and the welfare of employees, when not dealt with directly by their employer. These functions may be carried out upon formal communication with the competent work inspectorate.

The profession of employment officer in the Czech Republic was classified in the national database as a regulated profession. However, upon closer analysis by CSES, although there are some specific activities related to employment mediation that only such an officer can perform, there is no reserve of activities *per se*.

The profession of economist is an example of a regulated profession that only has a shared reserve of activities in one Member State in the sample, Greece. This is presently shared with engineers to carry out economic studies and related services to public sector clients. No reserved tasks were identified in respect of the profession of researcher.

In three EU Member States in the sample – Denmark, Germany and Spain - the professions of translator and interpreter have an exclusive reserve of activities. In some countries, these are treated as separate regulated professions and on other occasions are combined as a single regulated profession. In Greece, there is a shared reserve of activities between officially authorised translators and lawyers. In Denmark, official translations must be carried out by a certified translator and interpreter. In Germany, the professions of translator and interpreter are separate regulated professions, and each is subject to an exclusive reserve of activities.

A number of conclusions can be drawn in respect of professions within 'other business services':

- Only a few professions had an exclusive or shared reserve of activities within the category of 'other business services'. Examples include the professions of real estate agent (4 Member States) and translator and interpreter (4 Member States).
- The professions of economist and employment officer / labour consultant only had a reserve of activities in one EU Member State covered by the study. This means that the regulatory approach is not shared with any other country in the sample.
- Since very few reserves were identified within this category overall, there is no discernible pattern between countries as to the reservation of activities within these professions.

2.4 Construction

A number of construction-related professions sector are within study scope, as summarised below:

- Architecture and building construction – architect, building engineer and surveyor (NACE code - 41);
- Civil engineering - civil engineer (NACE code - 42);
- Services to buildings and landscape activities - landscape gardener/gardening, landscape expert, landscape architect/designer and the cleaning of monuments, facades and buildings (NACE code 81); and
- Specialised construction activities - Building demolition contractor, Electrician, Plumber, Plasterer, Tiler, Joiner/carpenter, Mason/bricklayer, Master builder, Painter/decorator, building insulator, Roofer, Electrical engineer, gas installation and maintenance, Air conditioning technician/Heating/Central heating technician/installer/repairer and floor layer (NACE Code 43).