



The modernisation agenda for universities: Bridging the funding gap

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Introduction

The Lisbon strategy

The challenges for universities

The modernisation agenda

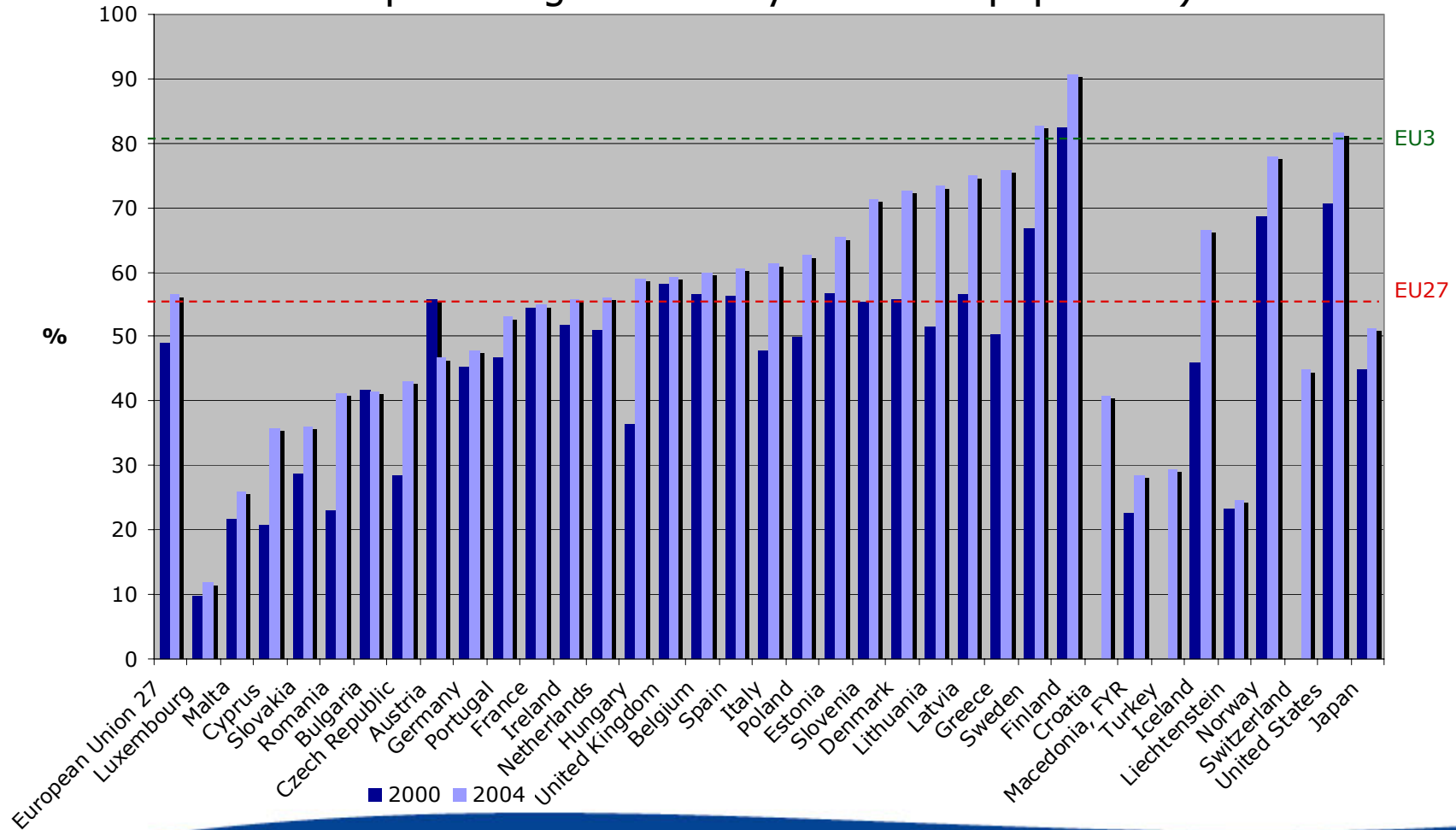
- Governance Reform
- Bologna / Curricular Reform
- Funding Reform



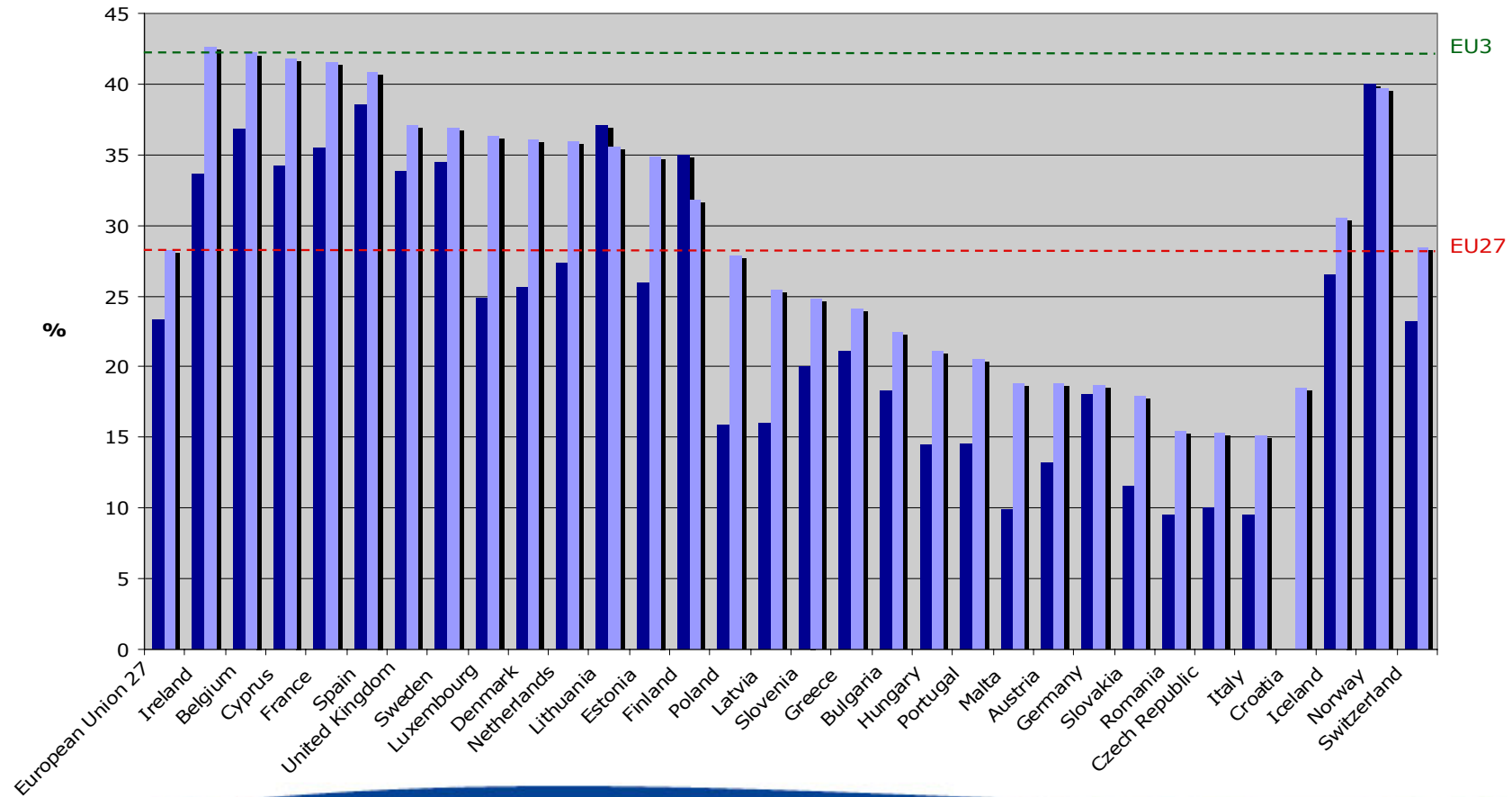
Participation in tertiary education – 2004

(All enrolments in ISCED 5-6, independent of age, as a percentage of 20-24 year olds in population)

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% 25-29 year olds with HE-degree

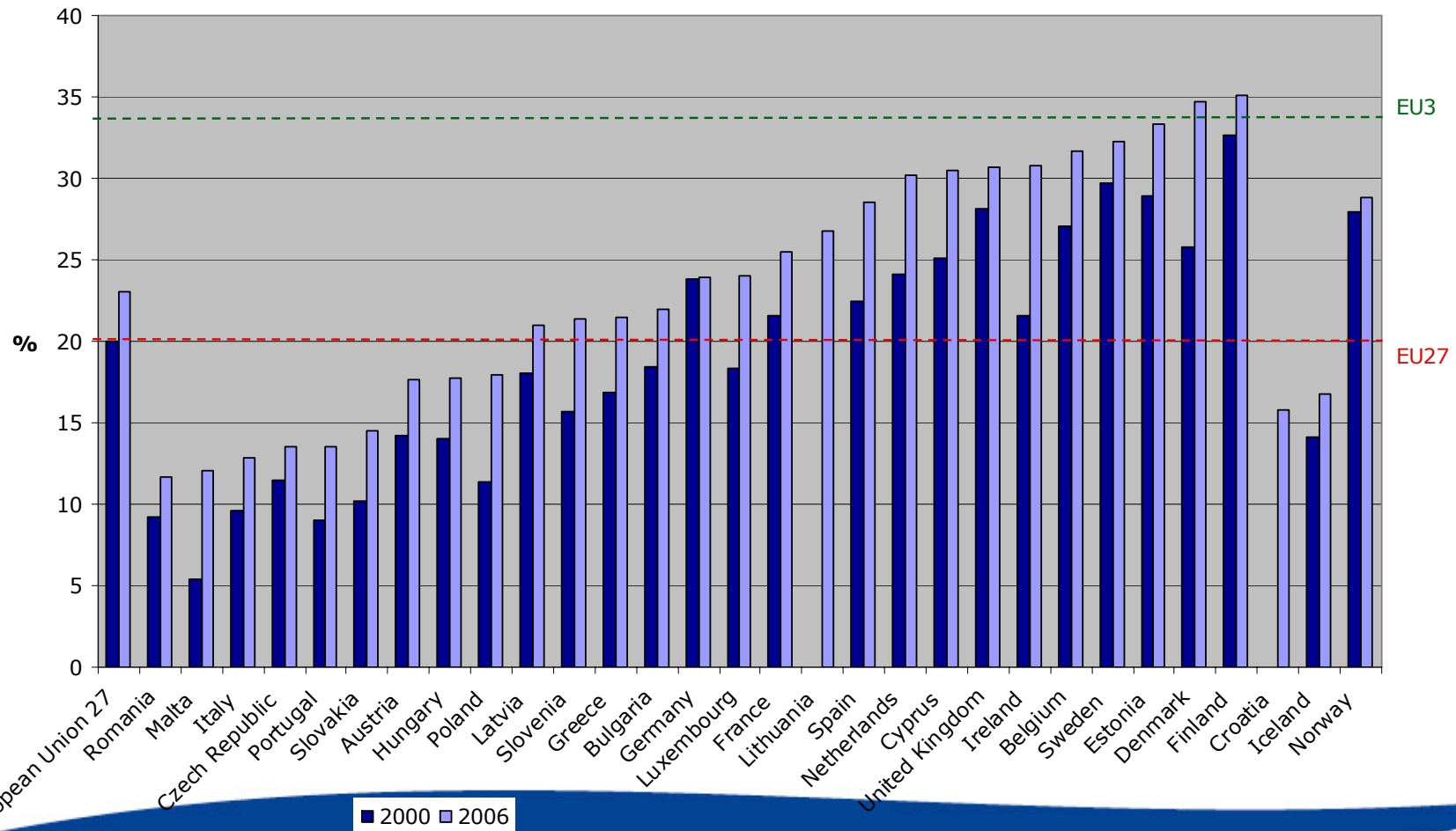


■ 2000 ■ 2005

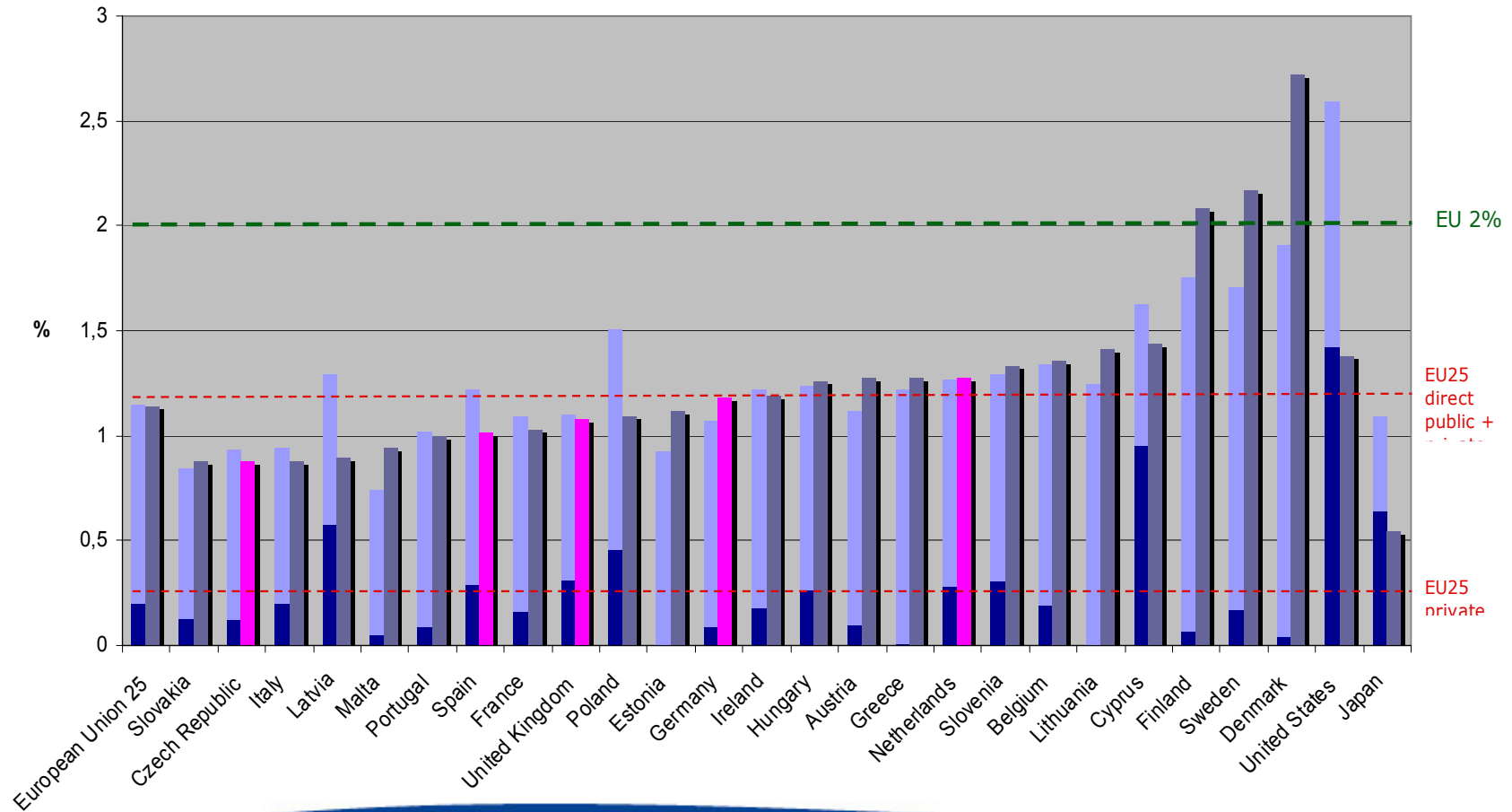
Educational Attainment of the Adult Population

(25- 64 year olds with tertiary attainment)

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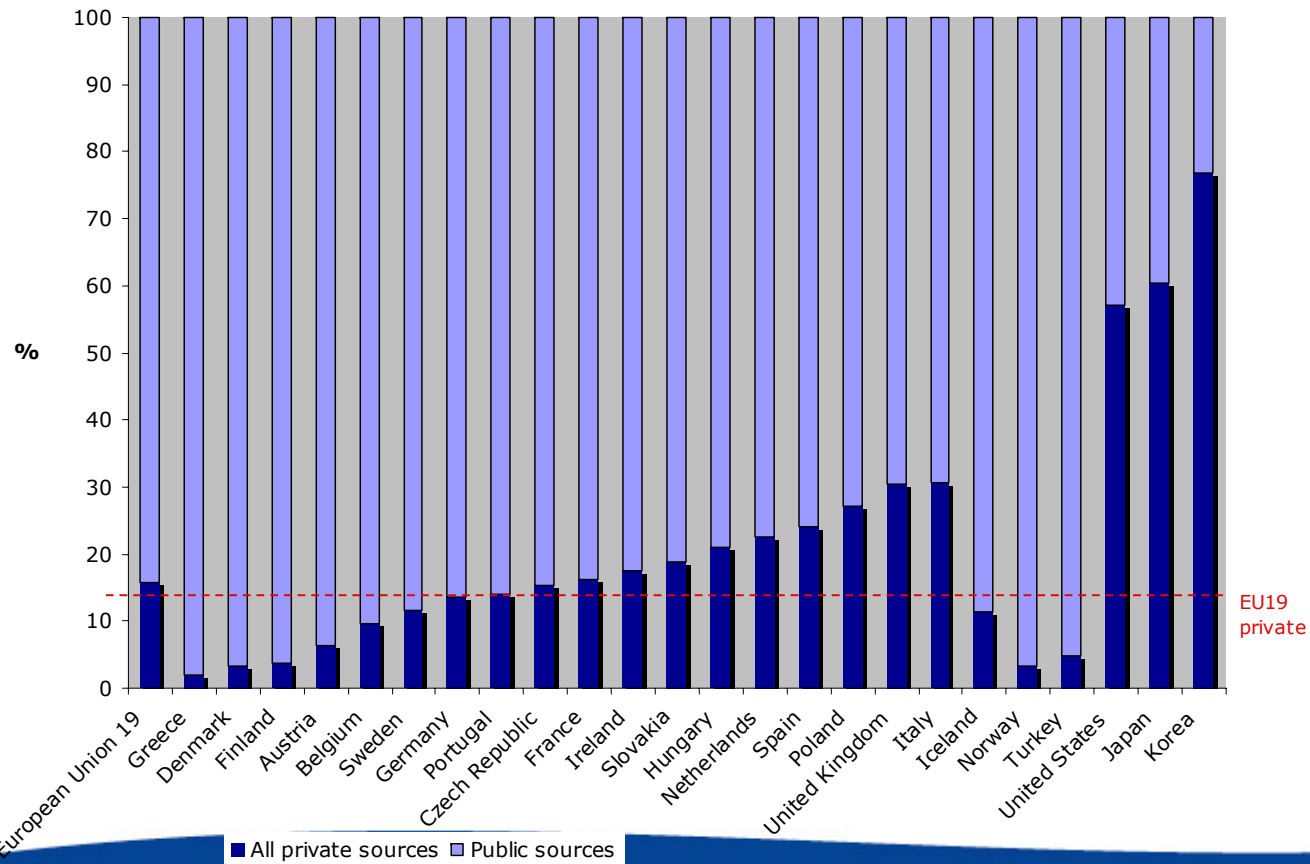
Total spending on HE 2002



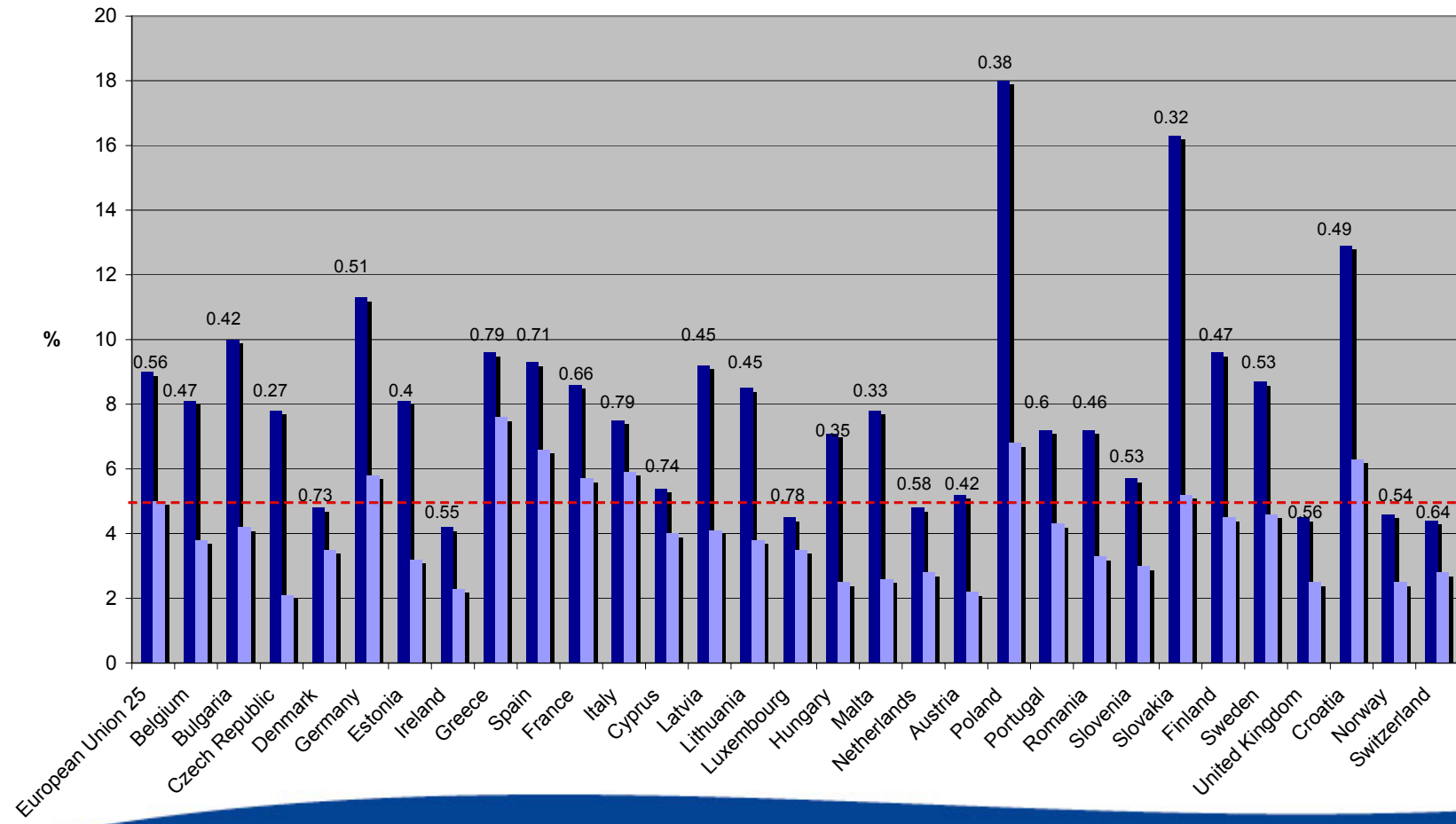
■ Direct public spending as a % of GDP
 ■ Private spending as a % of GDP
 ■ Total public spending as a % of GDP



Relative % of private spending in HE (OECD EaG 2007)



HE unemployment / total unemployment 2005

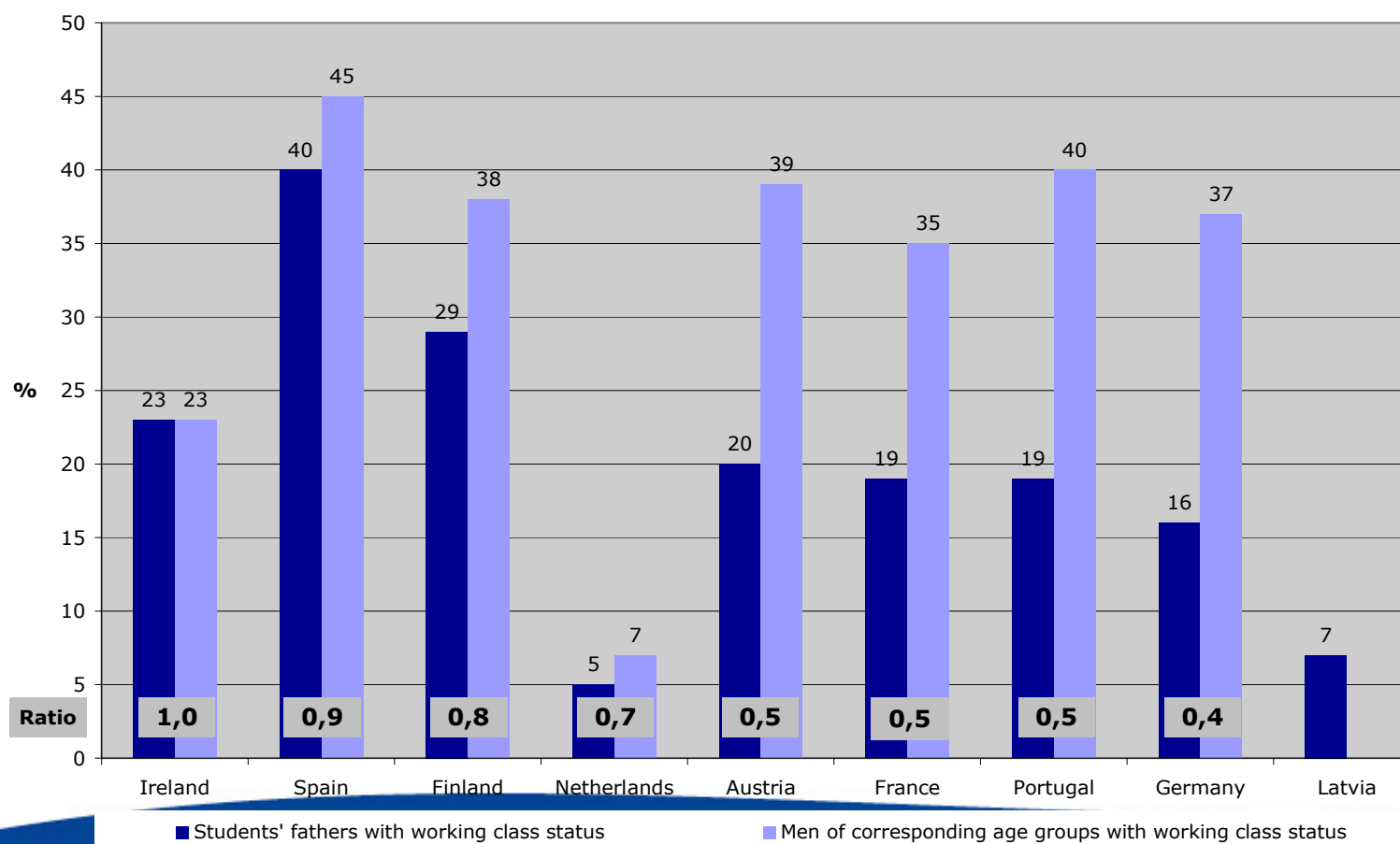


■ Total unemployment ■ Unemployment for tertiary education

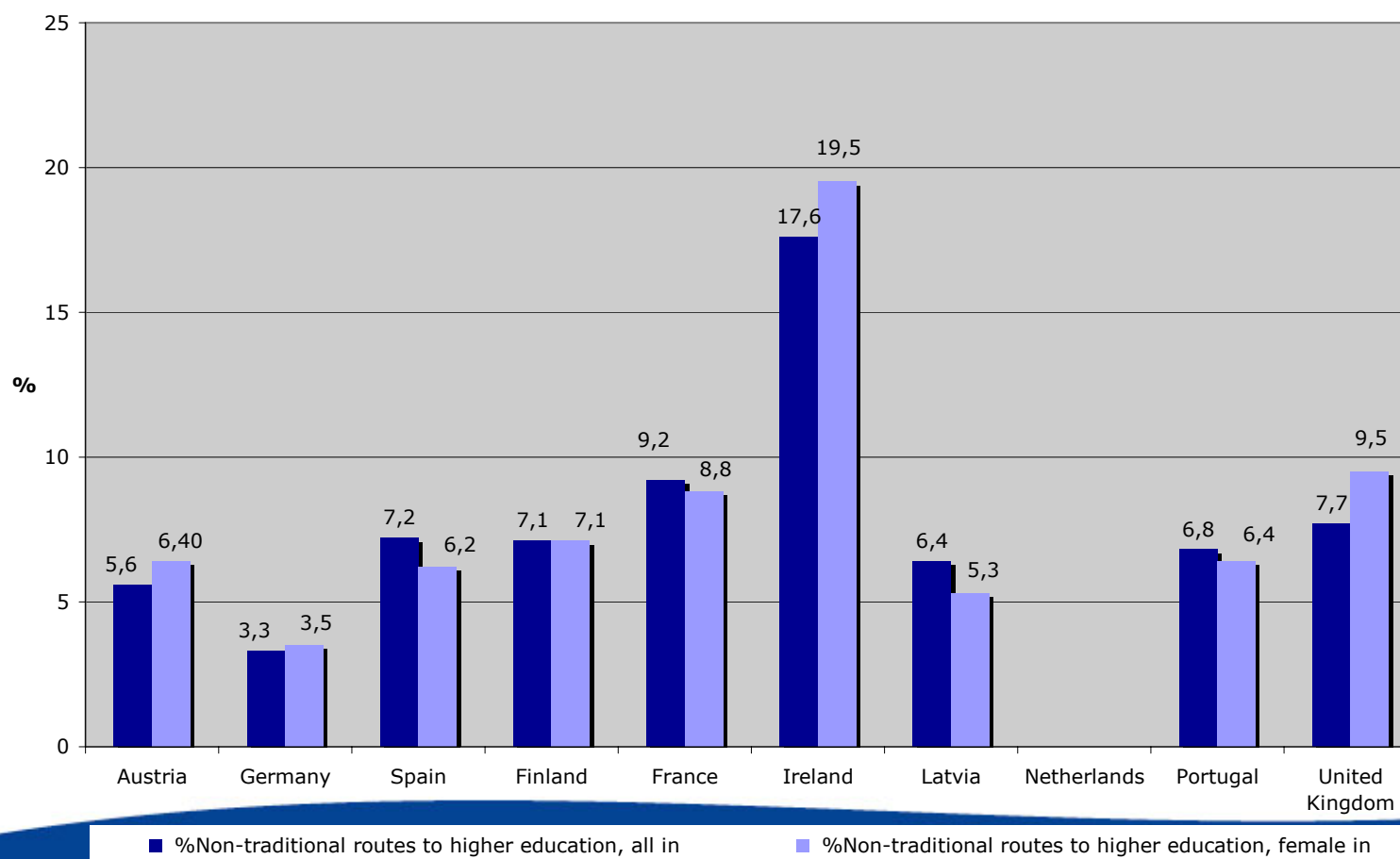




Backgrounds of students 2003 (Eurostudent 2005)



Non-traditional access 2003 (Eurostudent 2005)

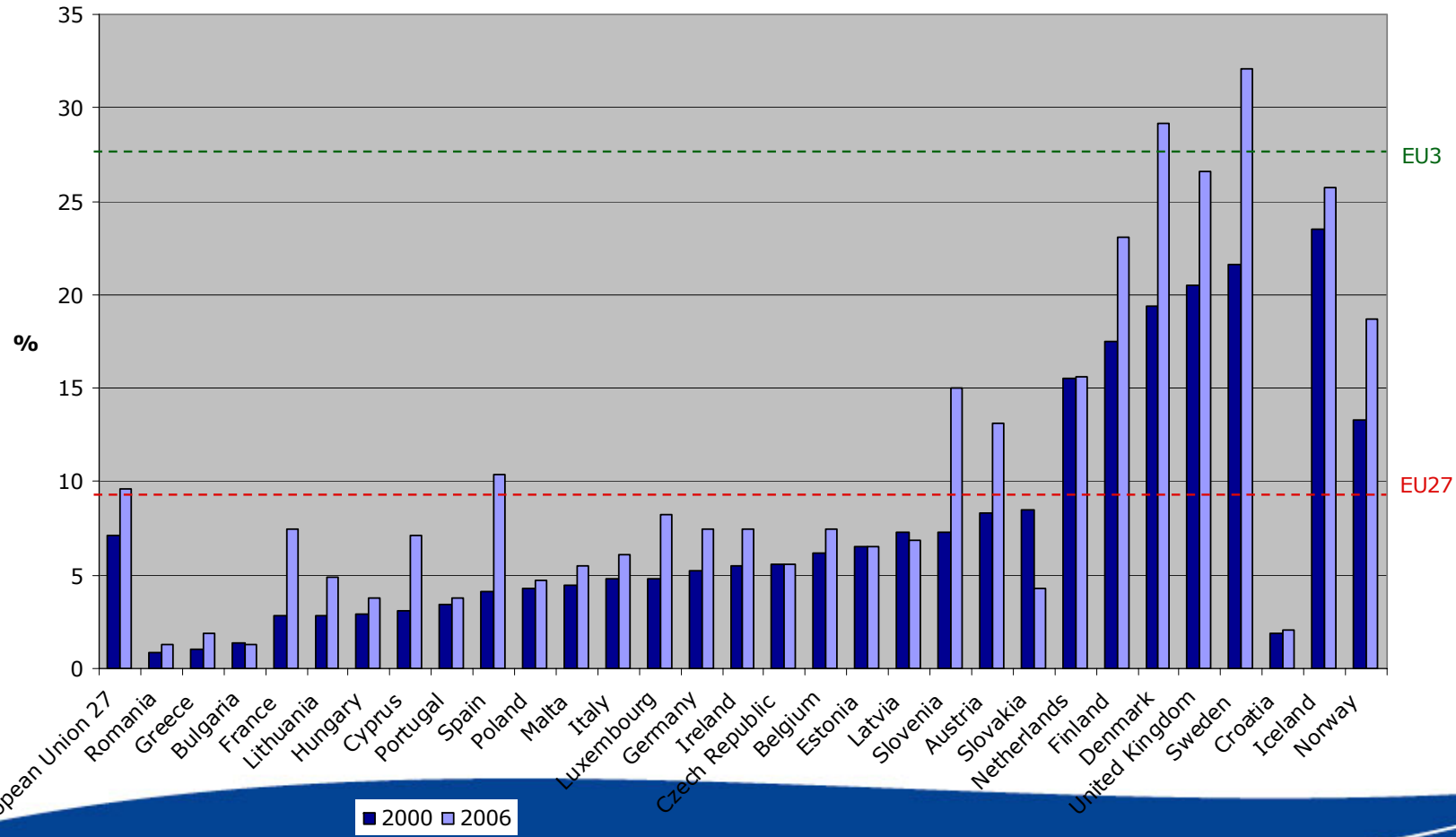


Participation in Lifelong Learning

(% of aged 25- 64 participating in education and training in the 4 weeks prior to the survey)



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The modernisation agenda for Europe

Funding reform

- 2% of GDP to modernised HE sector
- Output financing / appropriate funding mix
- Diversification of research funding portfolio
- More income from private sources
- Tuition fees an option, only if accompanied by grants/loans
- Increasing access = increasing income



Conclusion

- The modernisation agenda has full political attention
- Reforms are needed to have universities play their full part in reaching the Lisbon objectives
- Each country may find its own solutions
- All universities should play their part; and define their own destiny.
- New funding policies and strategies are crucial for success.
- Learning from each other will help getting the modernisation agenda ahead
- The European programmes will provide support

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Thank you for your kind attention

