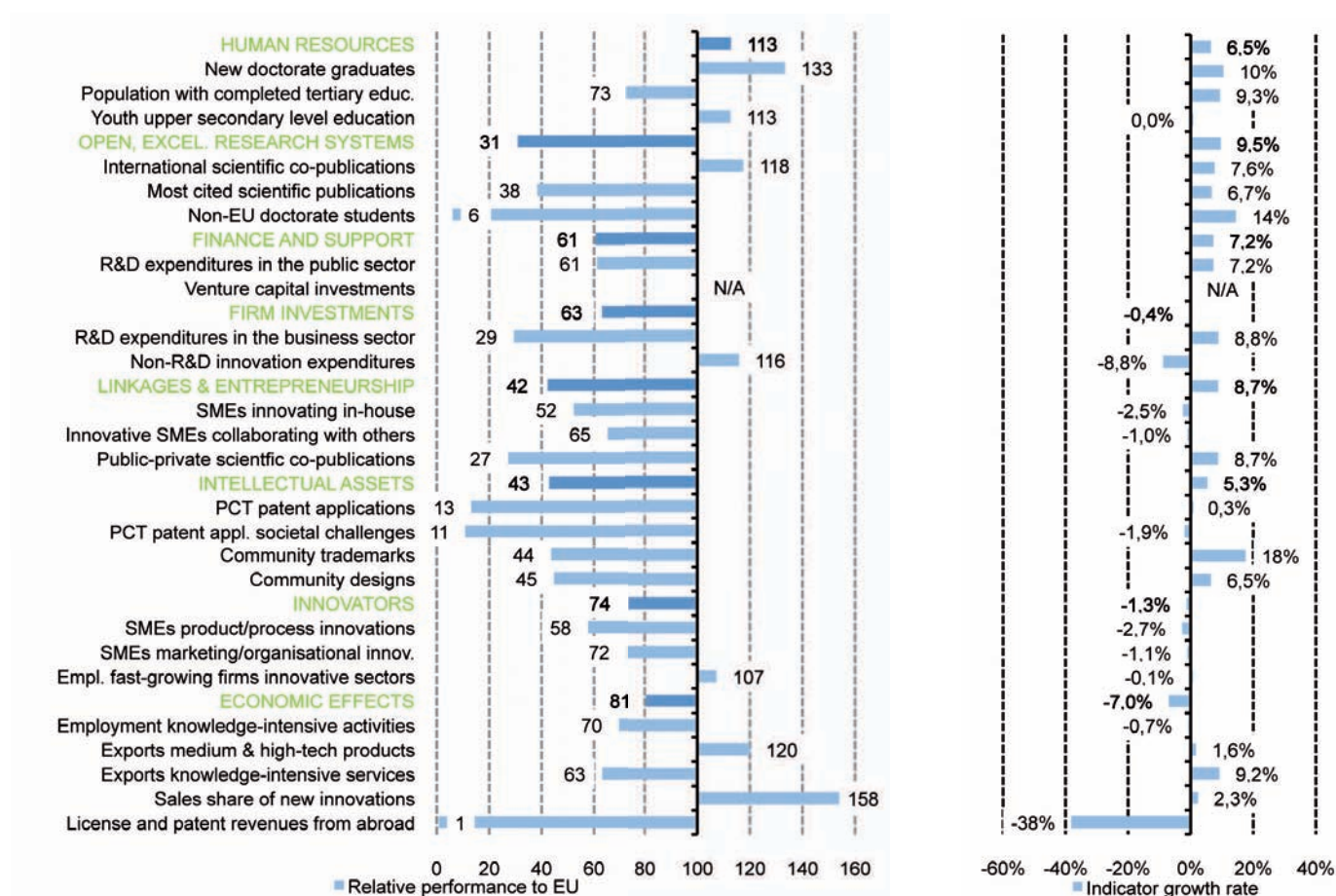
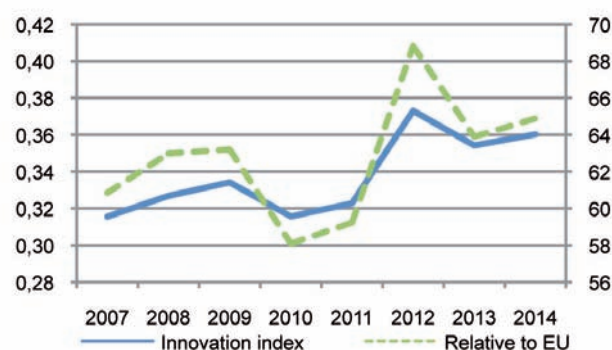


Slovakia

Slovakia is a **Moderate innovator**. Innovation performance has increased between 2007 and 2014, but declined in 2010 and in 2013. The performance relative to the EU has had more fluctuations but over time has increased significantly. Performance relative to the EU reached a peak in 2012 at 69% of the EU average, but fell to 64% in 2014.

Slovakia performs below the EU average for all dimensions, except Human resources, and also for most indicators. Large relative strengths in terms of indicators are in Sales share of new innovations and New doctorate graduates. Large relative weaknesses are in License and patent revenues from abroad, Non-EU doctorate students, PCT patent applications in societal challenges and PCT patent applications.

Performance in most dimensions and most indicators has improved. The highest growth in terms of indicators is observed for Community trademarks (18%) and Non-EU doctorate students (14%). A very strong decline in performance can be observed in License and patent revenues from abroad (-38%), and a more modest decline for Non-R&D innovation expenditures (-8.8%).



Notes: Performance relative to the EU where the EU = 100. No data for Venture capital investments.