## Description fan charts

The figures present fan charts around the CEP 2018 point forecasts for GDP growth, HICP inflation, unemployment and general government financial balance.

The solid line represents data realizations (2013-2017) and the CEP 2018 point forecasts for 2018 and 2019. Around the central path the figures present a fan of confidence intervals:

- $30 \%$ confidence interval from the $35^{\text {th }}$ to $65^{\text {th }}$ percentile, dark blue area
- $60 \%$ confidence interval from the $20^{\text {th }}$ to $80^{\text {th }}$ percentile, dark blue + blue area
- $90 \%$ confidence interval from the $5^{\text {th }}$ to $95^{\text {th }}$ percentile, dark blue + blue + light blue area

The probability is thus $30 \%$ that the outcome will fall in the dark blue area and the probability is $10 \%$ that the outcome will fall outside the fan. In other words, the fan is a graphical representation of the likelihood of the various outcomes. The solid line represents the most likely outcome and outcomes are more likely when they are closer to the solid line.

## Figure 1

GDP growth


## Figure 2

## hicp inflation



Figure 3
unemployment


Figure 4

## general government financial balance



