

Third quarter of 2018 – EU28 current account surplus €38.7 bn – €49.3 bn surplus for trade in services

The **EU28** seasonally adjusted current account of the balance of payments recorded a surplus of €38.7 billion (1.0% of GDP) in the third quarter of 2018, down from a surplus of €59.9 billion (1.5% of GDP) in the second quarter of 2018 and from a surplus of €60.4 billion (1.6% of GDP) in the third quarter of 2017, according to estimates released by **Eurostat, the statistical office of the European Union**.

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