

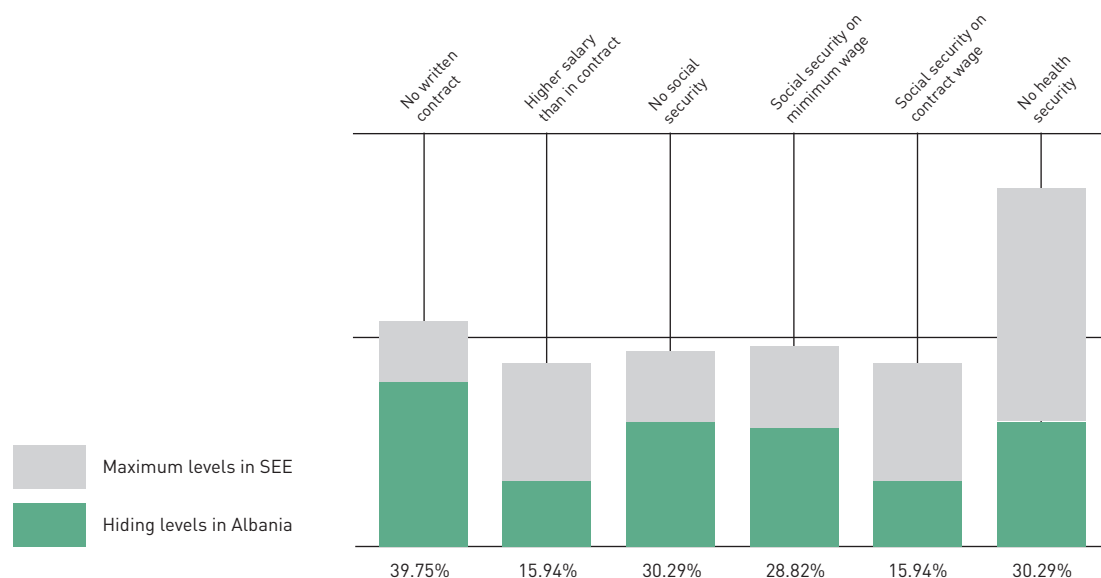
# HIDDEN ECONOMY FACT SHEET: ALBANIA

Data as of: June 2016.

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## KEY HIDDEN ECONOMY INDICATORS

Hidden economy is driven more by institutional rigidity, including tax and labor force administrations, than the level of taxes. It is reinforced by high youth unemployment and a high share of remittances in GDP. A major risk is social security evasion.



## WAGE PREMIUM IN THE FORMAL ECONOMY OVER THE HIDDEN ECONOMY

Hiding contracts, social and health security payments and income tax does not benefit workers. Those employed in the formal economy earn up to 29.3% more than those in the hidden economy.

