

# The Context of Regulatory Impact Analysis: Regulatory Policy

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## What is a good regulation? 2012 OECD Recommendation





### Example: Checklist

Is the problem correctly defined?

Is government action justified?

What is the appropriate level (or levels) of government for this action?

Have all interested parties had the opportunity to present their views?

Is the distribution of effects across society transparent

Do the benefits of regulation justify the costs?

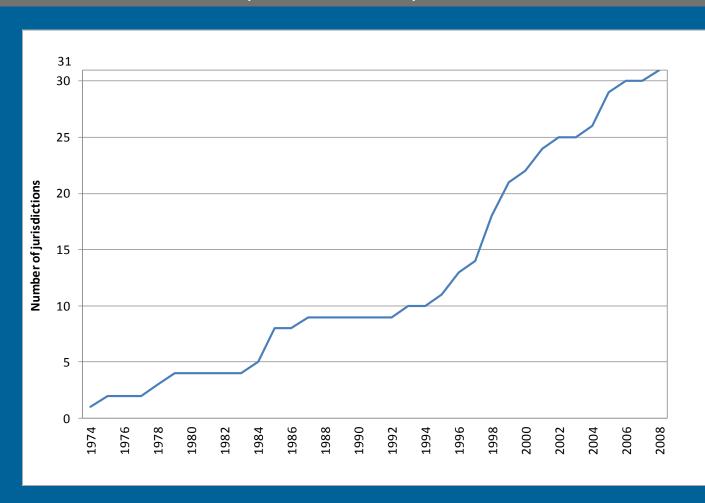
Is the regulation clear, consistent, comprehensible and accessible to users?

How will compliance be achieved?

Preamble: 1995 Recommendations

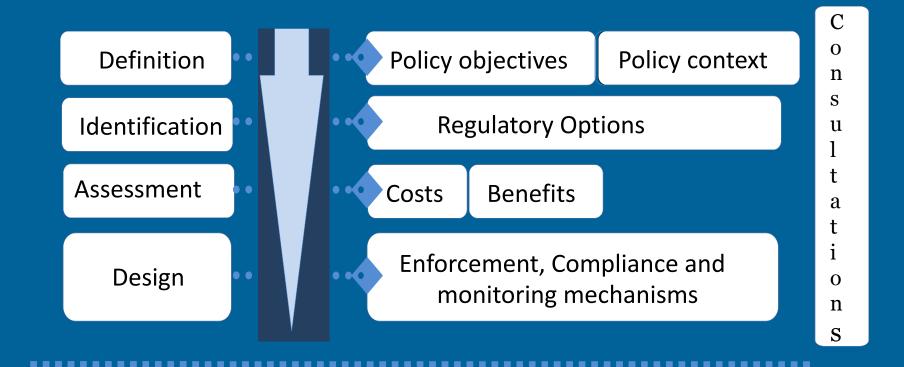


# Trend in RIA adoption by central governments across OECD countries (1974-2008)





### Regulatory Impact Assessment



**Evidence-based Decision Making** 



### Common challenges in implementing RIA

#### Related to the tool:

- Problem identification
- Availability of data

- "Proportionate analysis"
- Quantification
- Risk assessment

### Related to the structure/process

- Scope of application / selection of proposals
- Quality control (oversight)
- Presentation / Communication
- Integrate RIA up-stream (early in decision-making)
- Integrate RIA down-stream ("closing the loop")
- Training
- Multi-level context



- Regulatory Impact Analysis: A Tool for Policy Coherence (2009)
- Introductory Handbook for Undertaking Regulatory Impact Analysis (2008)
- Building an Institutional Framework for Regulatory Impact Analysis: Guidance for Policy Makers (2008)
- Indicators of Regulatory Management Systems (2007)
- RIA in OECD Countries and Challenges for Developing Countries (2005)
- RIA Inventory (2004)
- Regulatory Impact Analysis Best Practices in OECD Countries (1997)
- Ten good practices in the design and implementation of RIA (1997)