

EIOPA Approach to Impact Assessment

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- ✓ Better quality of policy making
- ✓ More transparent policy making
- ✓ Better communication with regulated firms
- ✓ Compliance with **legal obligations** for ESAs
- ✓ Practice in line with EU policy & OECD Guidelines

Quality Assurance for Technical Standards



Quality Process at ESAs:

- Coordination with In-house IA expert,
- Prioritisation (discussion with EC),
- Advice from IA Advisers Network,
- Use Tools (templates)
- IA Advisers Network check

The 8 steps



- 1. Identifying **the problem**, i.e. the market or regulatory failure, and the threat it poses to one or several regulatory objectives; establishing the *baseline scenario*
- 2. Stating the regulatory policy **objective** and linking it to the high-level regulatory objectives
- 3. Developing several **policy options** to achieve the regulatory policy objective
- 4. Analysing the positive and negative **impacts** of each policy option
- 5. Comparing options through the net impact and **identification of the preferred policy option(s)**
- 6. Consulting on the draft policy proposal and the IA report which accompanies it
- 7. Publishing the **responses** received and giving public feedback
- 8. Once it is implemented and enforced, **keeping the policy under review** as appropriate





IMPACT ASSESSMENT OF EACH PROPOSED POLICY (OPTION)

Benefits & Costs	Qualitative description	Quantitative description	Monetary value
Benefits			
Costs to regulator (direct costs: one-off, ongoing)			
Compliance costs (one-off, ongoing)	In		
Quantity of products offered	Indirect		
Quality of products offered	costs		
Variety of products offered			
Efficiency of competition			

TOOLS: Policy Options Overview Template

Impact **Policy Option** Party Affected Sub-category Effect (-Likelihood Timing /?/+) (L/M/H)(S/L/P) Type (direct costs, indirect cost, and benefit) Policyholders / Consumers small by size* medium large significance and difference may vary by LoB by policy issue Industry Option 1: [...] one country some countries by coverage of markets many countries with significant third country coverage other category please state sector supervisor Supervisory twin peaks model authorities unified financial supervisor other?

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Thank you!

Questions?