

# Regulatory policy review of the Slovak Republic

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# Main Findings

## Part 1

1.

Slovakia has introduced a set of useful and **important reforms** to strengthen regulatory policy, including. the *RIA 2020 Strategy*

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The RIA Commission brings together several bodies for a comprehensive approach to RIA **quality control**. Methods and performance have scope for improvement.

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The **analytical units** in line ministries reflect international good practice, but are not used to full potential.

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**Stakeholder engagement** in Slovakia is comparing well with OECD countries, especially business consultations.

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All of the elements of **RIA** are in place in the Slovak Republic, but a targeted approach is missing.

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## Part 2

Slovakia has recently adopted a methodology for ex post evaluation and currently carries out pilot projects.

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As many OECD countries, Slovakia does not have a whole-of-government strategy on improving regulatory delivery.

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Regulatory policy and regulatory management tools are not currently present at the local and regional level.

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Ministries have undertaken significant efforts to assess gold-plating when transposing EU Directives.

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Slovakia is taking positive steps with the goal of elaborating strategies on future proofing regulation and applying behavioural insights.

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# Key Recommendations: Part 1

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1.

**Choose priority areas** for regulatory reform to target efforts to most urgent areas of reform.

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**Strengthen analytical capacities** and promote the use of existing capacities in key ministries.

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**Promote oversight of regulatory management tools** and strong leadership driving a concerted BR effort.

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**Provide systemic training** to public officials on regulatory management tools.

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**More systematically include stakeholders other than businesses** in early-stage consultations.

# Key Recommendations: Part 2

- Develop a simplified RIA process for regulations with minor impacts; RIA Commission should only review major laws.
- Prepare comprehensive and clear guides and methodologies for different types of *ex post* evaluations.
- Bolster the use of risk-based approaches to enforcement.
- Encourage greater co-operation for providing licensing and permitting services at the subnational level.
- Make use of RIA and consultations when preparing national positions to draft EU legislation.
- Develop and gain high-level support from senior levels in government for strategies on future proofing and BI.

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