



Regulatory Policy of the Slovak Republic

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CURRENT BETTER REGULATION FRAMEWORK

RIA
Commission

Measures to
Improve
Business
Environment

RIA 2020

Ex post
Pilot Projects

NATIONAL PROJECT OP EPA

Improved
Quality of RIA

OECD RPR

Ex Post
Evaluation

One In -
One/Two
Out

Better Regulation
IT platform

Trainings for all
BR stakeholders

Enhancement
of analytical
capabilities

Effective
communication

Awareness
raising

KEY ACTIVITIES

- ❑ **Ex post evaluation**
- ❑ **Register of Regulations**
- ❑ **1-in-1-out/2-out**

**All tested on pilot projects
(proofs of concept)**

EX - POST EVALUATION PLAN

4 Dimensions
Fit-for-purpose
Effectiveness
Efficiency
Real Impact analysis

**Fit-for-purpose,
Effectiveness,
Efficiency**
Does the regulation
contribute to achieve its
aim ?
Was aim of the regulation
fully achieved?
Was aim of the regulation
achieved in the most
efficient way?

Ex post Framework

Who ?

All state bodies with
regulations in their
competence

What ?

Pilot project – one legislative
act
Later - all legislative and non-
legislative materials

When ?

Prior to introduction of a new
legislation or ammendment of
existing one

**One-in-One-out
or
One-in-Two-Out
MoE will consider different
approaches**

BETTER REGULATION – IT PLATFORM



Collaboration
platform



Analytical tools



Administrative
tools



Register of
Regulations



Knowledge
management



Database



Complex monitoring

WHY DO WE NEED REGISTER OF REGULATIONS?

- ❑ Regulatory environment (REG-ENV) is very complex and complicated in SK and EU as well
- ❑ **SK:** more than **700** laws and **5.000** subordinate regulations with more than **300.000** elementary regulations
- ❑ **EU:** more than **11.000** Regulatory Acts (Regulations, Directives) with more than **1.000.000** elementary regulations

GENERAL NEEDS OF THE CITIZENS AND BUSINESSES

- ❑ **Citizens:** What are **ALL** my rights (and obligations)?
- ❑ **Businesses:** What are **ALL** my obligations (penalties and rights)?

Nowadays, no IT system can provide you with a comprehensive answer to these questions.

Semantic decomposition

Every single part of legislation can be divided into elementary regulations

RIGHTS

OBLIGATIONS

PENALTIES

DEFINITIONS

Semantic decomposition

1. Easier **navigation** in regulations for public and legislation-makers
2. Impact assessment on the level of individual **paragraphs**
3. Identification of **all** impacted entities mentioned in the legislation

Scaling of impacts

division of impacts into

SMALL

MEDIUM

LARGE

if exact quantification is not possible

(intermediate level between quantitative and qualitative approach)

Scaling

1. **Quantification** made possible at least on the small-medium-large scale
2. Possibility to **compare** the size of various impacts (e. g., business vs. social)

PROOF OF CONCEPT (IN SLOVAK LANGUAGE)

Scaling

<https://www.economy.gov.sk/uploads/files/7m6hyYIP.pdf>

Semantic decomposition

MoE pilot project of ex post evaluation: <https://www.law-reg.org/legislativa/regulacie/zakon-c-1702018-z-z-o-zajazdoch-spojonych-sluzbach-cestovneho-ruchu-niektorych-podmienkach-podnikania-v-cestovnom-ruchu>

EN example of the proof of concept: <https://www.law-reg.org/gdpr-en/>

STRENGTHS AND CHALLENGES OF BETTER REGULATION IN SLOVAKIA

- + **Relatively high general awareness and acceptance of RIA process in state administration**
- + **Availability of EU funding**
- + **Proofs of Concept available for new activities**
- + **Current process includes early stage and late stage consultations with businesses and public in general**
- + **Slov-Lex platform**
- + **Introduction of Anti-bureaucratic law and 3 anti-bureaucratic packages, Lex Korona**
- + **Existence of analytical units at certain ministries**
- + **Better Regulation experts and their years-long experience**

- **Complexity and frequent changes of regulatory framework**
- **Opinion of some stakeholders that RIA process is unnecessary administrative burden**
- **Consultations not used to its full potential by entrepreneurs and their associations**
- **Slov-Lex functionality needs to be enhanced**
- **Lack of available and relevant data in some areas**
- **Missing communication strategy**
- **Authority and scope of RIA Commission is limited**
 - Commission does not assess overall impact
 - Commission does not have the right to stop the material in the process
 - Low awareness of RIA report findings and no follow up

REGULATORY POLICY REVIEW IN SLOVAKIA

- 6/2019 Kick-off meeting
- 7-8/2019 Questionnaire filled by all relevant institutions
- 9/2019 1st fact-finding mission (OECD and peers from EST, DEN)
- 10/2019 Workshop on ex post evaluation
- 12/2019 2nd fact-finding mission
- 2/2020 Draft commenting
- 4/2020 Presentation at the OECD RPC virtual meeting
- 7/2020 Launch event of the final report

OECD RPR OF SLOVAKIA

Chapters:

1. Macroeconomic and political context
2. The context for Better Regulation in the Slovak Republic
3. Institutional framework and capacities for regulatory policy
4. Stakeholder engagement and public consultations
5. The development of new regulations in the Slovak Republic
6. Ex post evaluation of regulation in the Slovak Republic
7. Regulatory compliance, enforcement and inspections
8. Multilevel governance
9. Innovative approaches to support future-proofing regulation

OECD Recommendations:

37 recommendations in 9 areas

NEXT STEPS (INCLUDING OECD RECOMMENDATIONS)

- **Owner of Better regulation (MoE) will define Better Regulation priorities and assure efficient use of EU funds in a limited time**
- **Introduction of SMART KPIs and tracking of the progress**
- **Make ex post evaluation an essential part of legislation-making similar to RIA**
- **Communication strategy** - including introduction of Better Regulation web site, monitoring of progress in real time and communication with state administration, public and NGOs
- **Create RIA methodologies specifically for MPs and local administrations**
- **Implement Register of Regulations**

NEXT STEPS (INCLUDING OECD RECOMMENDATIONS)

- **Enhance analytical skills and capacities:**
 - introduce formal process for analytical departments on how to provide impact analysis
 - all ministries should build stable and qualified analytical teams
- **Enhance authority and scope of RIA Commission**
 - enhance RIA Commission Secretariat personal capacities
- **Launch systematic trainings tailor-made for all groups of stakeholders, with special focus on MPs**
- **Continue to enhance Anti-bureaucratic law, Anti-bureaucratic packages/Lex Korona**
- **Introduce the 1I1O principle by January 2021 and 1I2O by January 2022**



**Thank you for your
attention.**

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