Monitoring Policy Coherence for (Sustainable) Development

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Why do we care about Policy Coherence for (Sustainable) Development?
Spotlight on incoherencies in EU policies
Monitoring the institutional framework and mechanisms
## Monitoring of national PCD systems

### Annex 2: Overview of PCD systems in 27 EU Member States as of September, 1, 2015

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<th>Country</th>
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<th>Coordination mechanisms</th>
<th>Monitoring, assessment and reporting mechanisms</th>
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From PCD to PCSD
2009-2016 IMPACT ASSESSMENTS AND THEIR ANALYSIS OF IMPACTS ON DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

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<th>Year</th>
<th>Total number of IAs</th>
<th>Number of IAs relevant to developing countries (%)</th>
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Source: Global Fokus reports, 2016 data added by CONCORD. The 2015 information comes from CONCORD’s report “The Stakes Could Not Be Higher.”

RSB OPINIONS AND HOW MUCH THEY CORRECT AN INADEQUATE ANALYSIS OF IMPACT ON DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

- Irrelevant to developing countries: 41
- Impact on developing countries adequately assessed: 11
- Inadequate assessment of impacts on developing countries, not raised in RSB opinion: 10
- Inadequate assessment of impacts on developing countries, raised in RSB opinion: 1

Graph showing the number of IAs and their relevance and analysis from 2009 to 2016.
4 case studies of impact assessments

Case 1: Example of a PCD-compliant impact: attracting third-country nationals to offset labour and skills shortages in the EU labour market.

Case 2: Example of an impact assessment that did not sufficiently incorporated PCD: obliging multinationals to disclose key financial information.

Case 3: Example of an impact assessment that ignored social and human rights impacts in developing countries: renewable energy.

Case 4: No impact assessment: the Partnership Framework on Migration.
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THE EU IMPACT ASSESSMENT PATH

HOW TO PLAY
- You need 1 dice and an unlimited number of players
- Each player puts their counter on the “Start” space
- Take it in turns to roll the dice
- Move your counter forward the number of spaces shown on the dice
- If your counter lands at the bottom of a ladder, you can move up to the top of the ladder
- If your counter lands on the head of a snake, you must slide down to the bottom of the snake
- The first player to get to reach “Finish” is the winner

START

ROADMAP

1. WHY EU ACTION IS NEEDED
2. POLICY OPTIONS
3. CONSULTATION STRATEGY
4. ESTABLISH IF IMPACT ASSESSMENT REQUIRED
5. INCEPTION IMPACT ASSESSMENT
6. PROBLEM ANALYSIS
7. POLICY OBJECTIVES
8. POTENTIAL SOLUTIONS
9. LIKELY IMPACTS
10. PUBLICATION
11. INTERSERVICE GROUP
12. IDENTIFY RELEVANT DGs
13. INCLUDE SECRETARY GENERAL
14. DON’T CONSULT DG DEVCO
15. FINALISE INCEPTION IMPACT ASSESSMENT
16. SUBSIDIARITY & PROPORTIONALITY CHECK
17. DON’T INFORM STAKEHOLDERS
18. COLLECT FEEDBACK
19. SYSTEMATIC USE TOOL #34
20. CONSULTATION
21. 12 WEEK PROCEDURE
22. SUPERFICIAL CONSULTATION OF CSO
23. EVIDENCE GATHERING
24. DATA COLLECTION
25. DRAFT IMPACT ASSESSMENT
26. PROBLEM DEFINITION
27. POLICY OBJECTIVE
28. DIFFERENT STRATEGIC OPTIONS
29. QUALITATIVE
30. QUANTITATIVE
31. SUBSIDIARITY & PROPORTIONALITY CHECK
32. SOCIAL ENVIRONMENTAL ECONOMIC GOVERNANCE
33. REGULATORY SCRUTINY BOARD
34. CHECK USE OF TOOL #34
35. ANTICIPATE MONITORING AND INDICATORS
36. INTERSERVICE CONSULTATION
37. PUBLICATION OF POLICY PACKAGE
38. ASSESS STRENGTH & WEAKNESS
39. MORE IN DEPTH ANALYSIS
40. REQUEST TO UPDATE IMPACT ASSESSMENT
41. EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT INITIAL APPRAISAL
42. SUMMARY

FINISH
EU delegation engagement with local civil society

In the last three years, have you engaged with EUDs on a policy issue not directly related to development aid?

- No
- Yes, because I was invited
- Yes, because I approached the EUD

[Chart showing engagement percentages]
Measuring progress towards target 17.14

• Check not just whether PCSD systems are in place
• But also monitor how they work
• Be more transparent in handling of conflict of interests and incoherencies
• Assess the impact in developing countries
• And decouple our own sustainable development from the negative impacts in developing countries or globally in overall SDG progress reporting
How to improve PCD monitoring?

1. Involve (local) stakeholders
2. Improve reporting back
3. Increase transparency
4. Be self-critical
5. Build capacity
6. Integrate findings
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