



3RD MEETING OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS

INTERNATIONAL REGULATORY CO-OPERATION:

Fostering the Contribution of International Organisations to Better Rules of Globalisation

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Building on the success of the meetings held in 2014 and 2015, the OECD is convening a third meeting on the contribution of international organisations to better rules of globalisation. For the third consecutive year, the meeting will bring together officials from various international organisations (IOs), member countries, academics and other stakeholders to share their experience in supporting regulatory co-operation and standard setting across jurisdictions in a range of policy sectors. The meeting will be the opportunity to present the final results of the 2015 OECD survey on the rule making practices of IOs; to discuss preliminary lessons learnt from on-going case studies by ISO, FAO, OIML, UNECE and WHO; and to exchange on recent initiatives by IOs to improve their rule-making activity.

Chair of the morning session: Luiz de Mello, Deputy Director, OECD
Public Governance and Territorial Development

09:00-09:30

Welcome and Introduction

Gabriela Ramos, OECD Chief of Staff and G20 Sherpa

Gary Banks, Dean of the Australia and New Zealand School of
Government and Chair, OECD Regulatory Policy Committee

09:30-11:00

SESSION 1. HOW DO IOs SUPPORT BETTER RULES OF GLOBALISATION:

IOs contribute to the international rules and norms that frame economic activity, trans-boundary flows of goods, services and people and global social and environmental welfare. They do so through the instruments that they develop and the platforms that they provide to various stakeholders from different countries in support of mutual action and common language. However, the world is not flat and the rules of globalisation remain patchy and fragmented. How can the concerted action of IOs be strengthened and support better rules for all? This session discusses the contribution of IOs to better rules of globalisation based on the results of a recent OECD survey and the workings of specific IOs.

Keynote speech: Alain Pellet, Emeritus Professor, University Paris Ouest,
Nanterre-La Défense

Discussants

Céline Kauffmann, Deputy Head, Regulatory Policy Division, OECD: key
results on the role of IOs in international regulatory cooperation

IO core group representative, reporting for the IO core group on
preliminary findings from the case studies

Open discussion

11:00-11:30

COFFEE BREAK

11:30-13:00

PARALLEL BREAKOUT SESSIONS: UNBUNDLING THE IO PRACTICES IN THE AREAS OF STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT AND EVALUATION

The two sessions aim to promote a brainstorming and an exchange of experience on the merits and challenges of various IO practices in the area of stakeholder engagement and evaluation. They build on evidence from the 2015 OECD survey and preliminary results from case studies.

THE PRACTICES OF IOs TO ENGAGE STAKEHOLDERS

Stakeholder engagement is an important tool to provide the information and expertise necessary to the activities of the IOs. It is also expected to improve the quality, relevance and implementation of IO processes and instruments, and to increase transparency, accountability and trust with members and the general public. However, stakeholder engagement is not an easy undertaking for IOs. Identifying relevant stakeholders other than members and recognising their needs are challenging tasks. The session discusses the experience of IOs in involving various stakeholders in the development of IO instruments, at different stages of the development of the rules and with diverse tools and platforms.

Moderator: Anthony Gooch, Director, OECD Public Affairs and Communication

Introductory remarks: Ayelet Berman, Research Fellow, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies in Geneva and **Daniel Trnka**, Senior Analyst, Regulatory Policy Division, OECD

Discussants:

- **Belinda Cleeland**, team leader / technical policy, ISO
- **Peter Mason**, President, OIML

EVALUATING THE IMPACT OF THE RULES DEVELOPED BY IOs

Evaluation is a critical activity of modern rule-making. Before rules are adopted, *ex ante* evaluation can help assess alternative scenarios, anticipate impacts and set benchmarks against which progress can be monitored. It is only after implementation, however, that the true effects and impacts of rules can be assessed. *Ex post* evaluation helps to ensure that rules deliver the intended policy objectives at least costs for society and remain up to date. However, IOs do not necessarily have the information or the responsibility to carry out monitoring and evaluation. The session discusses the experience of IOs in interacting with their members to monitor implementation and evaluate the impacts of their instruments.

Moderator: Jean-Marc Thouvenin, Professor, University of Paris Ouest, Nanterre-La Défense, and Head of Nanterre Centre of International Law (CEDIN)

Introductory remarks: Fabrizio Cafaggi, Director of the Centre for Judicial Cooperation at EUI and Professor of private law at University of Trento and **Nick Malyshev**, Head of Regulatory Policy Division, OECD

Discussants:

- **Adriana Bonobo**, Legal Consultant, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)
- **Emanuele Riva**, Vice Chair, International Accreditation Forum (IAF)

13:00-14:30

BUFFET LUNCH (George Marshall Room, OECD Headquarters)

Chair of the afternoon sessions: Josée Fecteau, Deputy Director, OECD Legal Affairs

14:30-15:30

SESSION 3. REPORTING FROM THE BREAKOUT SESSIONS

The moderators will report back on the outcomes of the breakout sessions on stakeholder engagement and on evaluation.

Anthony Gooch, Director, OECD Public Affairs and Communication, Moderator session on stakeholder engagement

Jean-Marc Thouvenin, Professor, University of Paris Ouest, Nanterre-La Défense, and Head of Nanterre Centre of International Law (CEDIN), Moderator session on evaluation

Open discussion

15:30-16:15

SESSION 4. RELEVANT IRC ACTIVITIES AT OECD

This session will update participants on on-going OECD research on the contribution of Trans-Governmental Networks of regulators (TGNs) to regulatory cooperation. TGNs differ from traditional intergovernmental cooperation in that they involve direct horizontal collaboration among regulators and are not treaty-based. TGNs have emerged rapidly in the second half of the 20th century and are multiplying fast in a range of different sectors, according to a wide variety of modalities and in a bottom up fashion. However, except for a handful of academic papers, a systematic review of the ways TGNs work across sectors, taking into account the dynamic nature of such arrangements, is still lacking.

Presentation: Kenneth W. Abbott, Professor of Global Studies, Arizona State University

Open discussion

16:15-16:45

COFFEE BREAK

16:45-17:45

SESSION 5. CURRENT INITIATIVES BY INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS

This session aims to provide a forum for IOs to highlight relevant current and specific initiatives to improve their rule-making activity. After a short overview by selected IOs of the key aim and scope of their relevant initiatives (5'), speakers and participants will enter an open discussion to share experience and identify the main lessons that could benefit other IOs. The British Ambassador to the OECD will present a Member's perspective to the importance of IOs as a platform for rulemaking.

A member's perspective: Christopher Sharrock, British Ambassador to the OECD

17:45-18:00

SESSION 6. CONCLUSION AND NEXT STEPS

The concluding session will provide an opportunity to discuss future IO work, in particular the launch of the IO report and case studies in November 2016, the continuation of analytical work with IOs and the development of a compendium of practices in 2017/2018.