

## Hungary

### Overview and recent developments

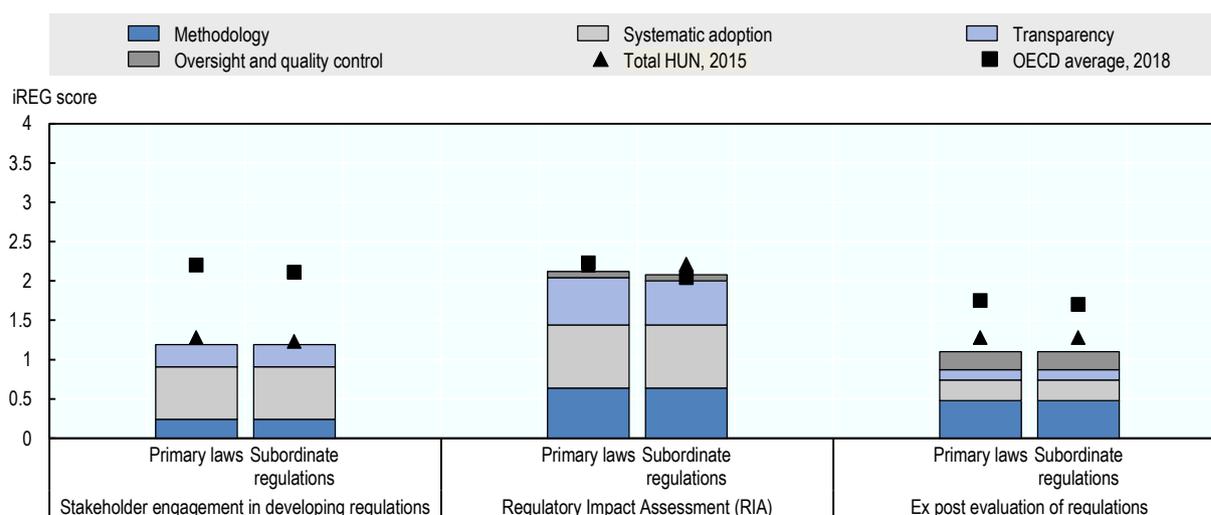
There have been little changes to the institutional and policy framework for regulatory quality in the last years. Stakeholder consultation is required for all primary and subordinate legislation. Draft legislation is posted on the governmental website and comments can be sent by email. No consultation is required in the early phases of the design of legislation. RIA is mandatory for all primary and subordinate legislation. Principle-based reviews on administrative burden were conducted in 2016 and 2017, focusing on reducing the average processing time of administrative procedures for business and citizens.

Within the Prime Minister's Office, the State Secretary in charge of the territorial administration makes proposals for simplifying regulatory burdens on citizens and businesses, but does not exercise quality checks on RIAs or *ex post* reviews. Hungary would benefit from introducing oversight mechanisms to ensure sufficient quality of RIAs, *ex post* evaluations and consultations. Quality checks could be accompanied by greater engagement with the stakeholders in the early phases of developing draft legislation.

#### Institutional setup for regulatory oversight

The **Government Office** within the Prime Minister's Office is responsible for coordinating the different phases of preparation of a regulatory proposal, from the consultation with other administrations once a Ministry has prepared a regulatory proposal and RIA to the meeting of the State Secretaries to the final Government meeting before a proposal is submitted to Parliament. The Government Office can also propose reforms or modifications related to the RIA and *ex post* evaluation framework. The Government Office prepares an annual report on RIA based on feedback from each Ministry, which is not publicly available. The **Office of the State Secretary** in charge of the territorial administration is responsible for reducing administrative burdens, promote a business-friendly environment and promote regulatory quality. The State Secretary reports to Cabinet on progress in implementing the simplification agenda.

## Indicators of Regulatory Policy and Governance (iREG): Hungary, 2018



*Notes:* The more regulatory practices as advocated in the [OECD Recommendation on Regulatory Policy and Governance](#) a country has implemented, the higher its iREG score. The indicators on stakeholder engagement and RIA for primary laws only cover those initiated by the executive (76% of all primary laws in Hungary).

*Source:* Indicators of Regulatory Policy and Governance Surveys 2014 and 2017, <http://oe.cd/ireg>.

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## Location of regulatory oversight functions: Hungary

Regulatory oversight functions	Centre of government	Ministry of Finance, Economy or Treasury	Ministry of Justice	Other ministries	Non-departmental body	Parliament	Office of the Attorney General	Supreme audit institution	Part of the judiciary
Quality control of...									
RIA									
Stakeholder engagement									
Ex post evaluation									
Identifying policy areas where regulation can be made more effective									
Systematic improvement of regulatory policy	●								
Co-ordination of regulatory policy	●								
Guidance, advice and support	●								
Scrutiny of legal quality	●								

*Notes:* ● indicates that a given regulatory oversight function is covered by at least one body in a particular location. Data present the situation as of 31 December 2017 and do not reflect changes that may have taken place in 2018.

*Source:* Survey questions on regulatory oversight bodies, Indicators of Regulatory Policy and Governance Survey 2017, <http://oe.cd/ireg>.