



# Regulatory Impact Analysis (RIA) in the Czech Republic

*Practical experience from implementation*

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## RIA implementation in the Czech Republic

- Started in 2005 with a pilot phase
- Fully implemented since November 2007
- Assessment of economic, social and environmental impacts obligatory for all legislative proposals prepared by the Government
- “Small” and “Big” RIA
- Quality oversight – interministerial Board for Regulatory Reform consisting of Deputy Ministers and Deputy heads + regions, municipalities, Chamber of Commerce
- Ministry of Interior develops RIA Guidelines, provides for methodological assistance, quality check



## What you have to prepare yourselves for


- Civil servants' reluctance ("all against you" coalition)
  - Political support from the highest level
  - High-quality control mechanisms
  - Get stakeholders involved through institutionalised dialogue
  - Actively offer assistance from the beginning
- Political pressure
  - Be as independent as possible
- Efforts to avoid RIA
  - Set clear criteria



## What you have to prepare yourselves for

- Not having enough or accurate data
  - Try to build the data bases, get academics involved
- Disappointment stemming from not having immediately visible results
  - Do not create exaggerated expectations
  - Demonstrate best practice examples and share them
- Demand for training
  - Create sufficient capacities
  - Differentiate content according to target groups (politicians, top management of the public administration authorities, civil servants)





Thank you  
for your  
attention

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