

Quality control

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Quality control in EIA

Quality of
national
EIA system

Quality of
EIA
procedures

Quality of
EIA Report

Quality of national EIA system

- ✓ legal framework – Directive 2011/92/EU, national legislation
- ✓ administrative capacity – trained competent authorities, experts
- ✓ additional tools – guidance, accreditation

Quality of EIA procedures

- ✓ timing - the early stage of project development
- ✓ consultation:
 - ☐ environmental authorities
 - ☐ public
- ✓ taking into account results of EIA in process of decision making
- ✓ duration of the validity of the EIA
- ✓ monitoring

Quality of EIA Report

- ! Annex IV of EIA Directive
- ! scoping
- ! alternatives
- ! data

Quality control

- ! quality is crucial element for the effectiveness of the EIA
 - ☐ appropriate decisions
 - ☐ adequate mitigation measures



sustainable development

Problems - Quality control

- ! poor consultations
- ! lack of data
- ! alternatives formally meet
- ! can't see the forest for the trees
- ! not objective decision - political and other influences



Quality of EIA Report

- ! left to the national competent authorities
- ! different approaches - usually formal procedure:
 - ☐ Guidance on the quality control (Lithuania, Ireland)
 - ☐ EIA Standing Committee (Netherlands, Italy)
 - ☐ Individual EIA Committee (Croatia)
 - ☐ Competent authority (Portugal, Bulgaria)

Monitoring

- ! post-decision quality control
- ! not mandatory
- ! excellent tool to ensure quality of the outcome of EIA process
- ! should compare the outcome of the predictions in the ER with existing conditions

QUESTIONS

