



# Better Regulation for Better Results

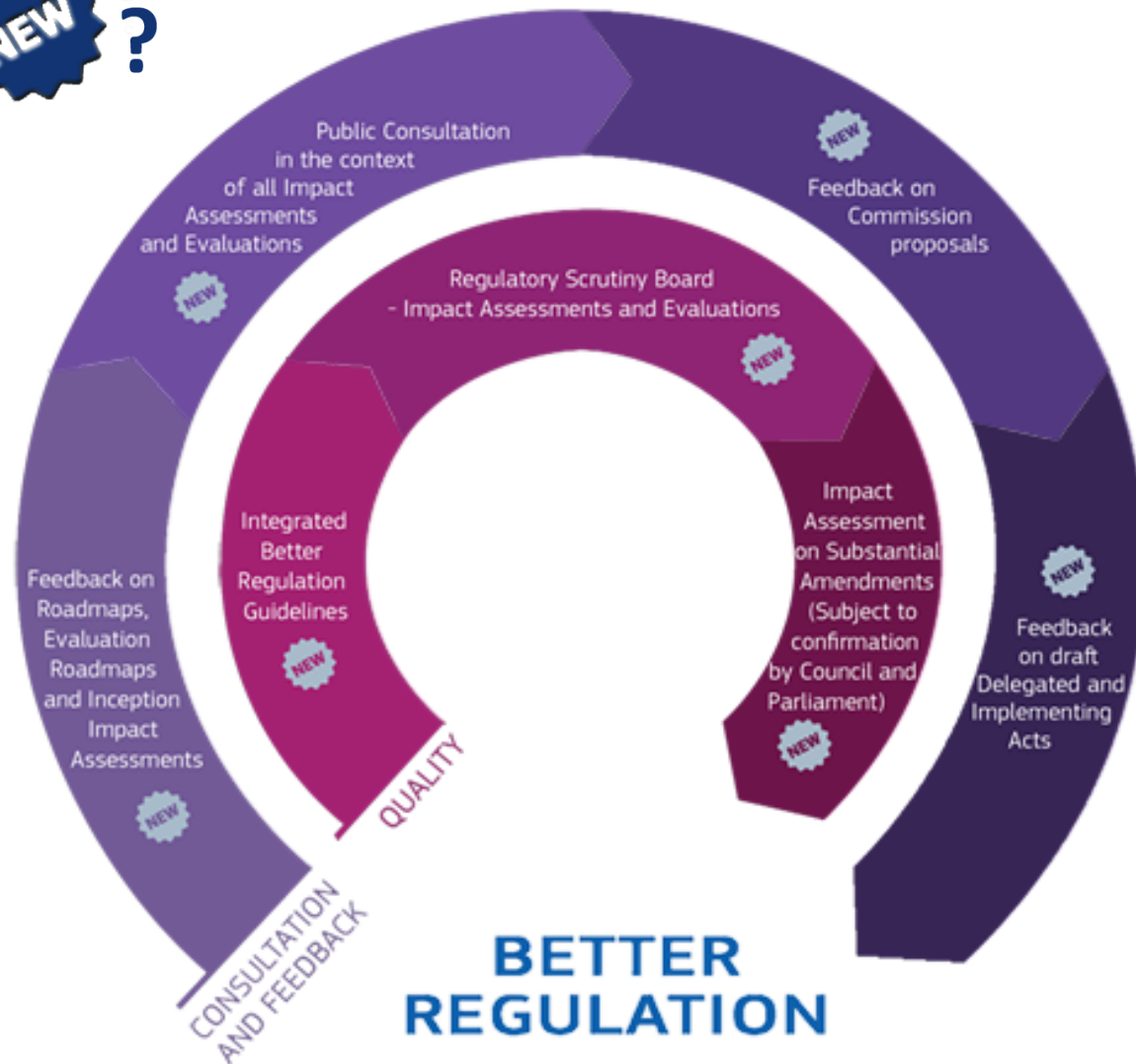
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# Better Regulation Package 19.05.2015

BR for better results – An EU agenda	COM(2015) 215
Proposal for an Inter-Institutional Agreement	COM(2015) 216
The REFIT Platform	C(2015) 3260 & C(2015) 3261
The Regulatory Scrutiny Board	<i>C(2015) 3262 &amp; C(2015) 3263</i>
REFIT Scoreboard	SWD(2015) 110
Better Regulation Guidelines	SWD(2015) 111
Better Regulation Toolbox	

# What's **NEW**?



## STAKEHOLDER INPUT

Lighten the Load: An updated interactive tool for citizens to provide ideas to the Commission

NEW

REFIT Platform - A forum for review of existing legislation by high level experts from social partners, business and civil society

NEW

## EXISTING LEGISLATION

REFIT check of existing stock of legislation more targeted, quantitative, inclusive, embedded in political decision-making

NEW

Strong Monitoring and Evaluation

NEW



# **A Shared Commitment - IIA on Better Law Making**

- Programming
- Impact Assessment
- Monitoring/evaluation
- Priority Setting
- Legal drafting/recast
- Delegated/Implementing Acts

# Better, Balanced Tools

- **Single guideline** that covers the entire policy cycle and links the phases better together
- **Web-based "Tool box"** with operational guidance for practitioners



[http://ec.europa.eu/smart-regulation/guidelines/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/smart-regulation/guidelines/index_en.htm)

# Better Regulation & the EU policy cycle



# Impact Assessment – What's new?

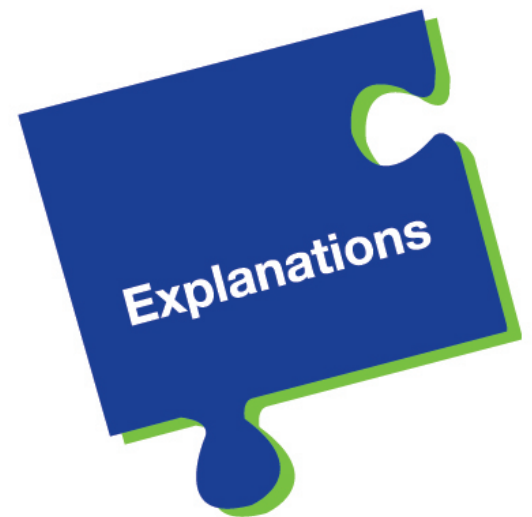
- **Inception Impact Assessment**
- **More guidance on**
  - *different types of impacts*
  - *methodologies (costs/benefits; discount rates,..)*
- **Sharper focus on**
  - *subsidiarity*
  - *proportionality*
  - *SMEs & competitiveness*
  - *who is affected and how*
  - *digital dimension*





# Explaining why we act...

**Explanatory  
Memorandum:**  
better explain why  
we are proposing  
legislation



# Reinforced focus on evaluation

- **"Evaluate First"**
- **Evaluation Roadmaps**
- **5 criteria: effectiveness, efficiency, relevance, coherence and EU added value**
- **12 week public consultation**
- **Scrutiny by the Regulatory Scrutiny Board**



**Evaluation** is an evidence-based judgement of the extent to which an intervention has been

- **effective** and **efficient**,
- **relevant** given the needs and its objectives,
- **coherent** both internally and with other EU policy interventions
- and achieved **EU added value**.

A **Fitness Check** is like an evaluation of an individual intervention except that it covers a group of measures which have some relationship with each other which justifies their being evaluated together (normally a common set of objectives).



# Strengthened scrutiny – Regulatory Scrutiny Board (RSB)

## Members:

- 3 "external" + 3 internal
- Chair, DG level
- 3 assistants + secretariat

## Examines:

- impact assessments
- evaluations and fitness checks



# Regulatory Fitness & Performance Programme ("REFIT") - What's New?

## ***New Initiatives***

– *public procurement form, reporting, funding programme simplification*

## ***Repeals***

– *23 candidates*

## ***Ongoing Initiatives***

– *more than 200*



# Listening – Responding: REFIT Platform

## **2 groups:**

- i) Stakeholders/COR/EESC
- ii) Member States

**Chair:** FVP/Chair of RSB

**Plus web interface:**

"Lighten the Load – Have your say...."



# **DG Environment and REFIT**

- **Positive & open approach to REFIT**
- **Proposals for simplification & withdrawals**
- **Evaluations and Fitness Checks (17)**
- **New initiatives related to improving implementation**
  - Review of reporting requirements
  - Compliance with EU law





## More information

***MyIntracomm:***

[https://myintracomm.ec.europa.eu/sq/better\\_regulation/Pages/index.aspx](https://myintracomm.ec.europa.eu/sq/better_regulation/Pages/index.aspx)

***Europa:*** [http://ec.europa.eu/smart-regulation/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/smart-regulation/index_en.htm)

***Juncker Commission priorities site:***

[http://ec.europa.eu/priorities/democratic-change/better-regulation/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/priorities/democratic-change/better-regulation/index_en.htm)