

Regulatory Impact Assessment Workshop

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Overview

This workshop is a three-day course, designed to provide participants with a good understanding of Regulatory Impact Assessment (RIA), as well as its use and value in the ICT strategic regulatory space. This course is the first in a series of courses where CTO will be partnering with AFRALTI.



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Objectives & Outcomes

On completion of the workshop, participants will:

- Have a good understanding of the purpose of Regulatory Impact Assessment (RIA)
- Have a good understanding of how RIA operates in the ICT sector
- Examine good-practices for RIA
- Identify RIA methodologies
- Have a good understanding of how to prepare for an RIA exercise in their own country / operating environment

Target audience

Open to all participants with an interest in communications policy and regulatory matters – including policy-makers, regulators and operators.

Participants should have a good understanding of their national ICT sector policy and regulatory environment.

Course Outline

Day One

Workshop opening and objectives

Introductions including participants' objectives and RIA experience

The challenges of the regulatory environment:

- Markets
 - o Costs and tariffs
 - o Consumer interests
 - o Challenges for existing technologies ; fixed vs. wireless
- Comparative regulatory models (e.g. South Africa, Singapore, Australia)

RIA: What it is and what it seeks to achieve

- RIA models e.g. Single vs. multiple regulators
- Quantitative vs. qualitative RIA models

The benefits and challenges of RIA

- Benefits for industry
- Benefits for the regulators
- Benefits for consumers

Stakeholders in the RIA process

- Including lecture and participants' exercise

Day Two

Developing policies and regulations

- Developing a framework for policy development
- Where RIA fits into the process

Course Outline

The RIA process

- Ex-ante and ex-post
- RIA in other jurisdictions
- Case studies in the ICT sector

Developing an RIA plan

Day Three

Preparing an RIA exercise

- Identifying information data requirements and sources
- Creating the RIA team
- Identifying stakeholders
- Developing the plan
- Implementing the impact assessment exercise
 - o Participants' exercise
 - o Feedback

Stakeholder engagement and communication

- Identifying objectives
- Developing and delivering the message
- Assessing feedback

Workshop review

Expert profile

Dr Simon White

Dr Simon White is a specialist in business environment reform, private sector development as well as local and regional economic development. Since 1990, he has worked in over 25 countries across Africa and Asia, as well as in Australia, Europe and the Pacific.



His clients include international development agencies, donor agencies, national governments, local government authorities, business membership organisations, consulting and research firms, as well as non-governmental organisations.

In addition to his extensive consulting activities, Simon is a visiting adjunct Professor at the Graduate School of Public Development Management, at the University of Witwatersrand, where he teaches on a number of courses and supervises student research on the MM in ICT.

Simon has a PhD in Political Science and International Relations (University of Western Australia), focusing on institutions for economic development, the role of the nation state, the political economy of development and local economic development.

He has an MA in Science and Technology Policy, from Murdoch University Institute of Science and Technology (Western Australia), focusing on local economic development models, informal economies, industrialisation of developing countries, and sustainable development. He also holds a Bachelors degree in Social Work from Curtin University.

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AFRALTI is an inter-governmental organisation headquartered in Nairobi, Kenya and serves the ICT sector in Africa. Our key mandate is to provide human resources capacity building through high-level quality training, consultancy and advisory services to both management and the technical personnel in the Information and Communication and Technology sector in Africa.

AFRALTI collaborates with a number of regional and international organisations. Our partnership with the International Telecommunications Union (ITU) has resulted in AFRALTI becoming a Centre of Excellence node within the ITU Centre of Excellence project

About the CTO

The Commonwealth Telecommunications Organisation (CTO) is an international development partnership between Commonwealth and non-Commonwealth governments, business and civil society organisations.

It provides the international community with effective means to help bridge the digital divide and achieve social and economic development through the use of Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) in the specific areas of Telecommunications, IT, Broadcasting and the Internet.

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Lesotho Communications Authority

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National Telecommunications Commission

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Department of Transport, Works and Communications

South Africa
Department of Communications

Sri Lanka
Telecommunications Regulatory Commission

Swaziland
Swaziland Posts and Telecommunications Corporation

Tanzania
Tanzania Communications Regulatory Authority

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Sierra Leone
National Telecommunications Commission, Sierra Leone Telecommunications Company

Solomon Islands
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South Africa
Independent Communications Authority of South Africa, Pygma Consulting, Sentech, Telkom South Africa, Universal Service and Access Agency of South Africa

Southern Sudan
Government of Southern Sudan

St. Vincent & the Grenadines
National Telecommunications Regulatory Commission

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Swaziland Posts and Telecommunications Corporation

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