

Stepwise Approach to Assess the Impacts of Policy



Examples of Impact Categories

Dimension	Impact category group	Examples of impact categories	Dimension	Impact category group	Examples of impact categories
Environmental impacts	Air	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Climate change mitigation (SDG 13) Air quality and health impacts of air pollution 	Social impacts	Welfare and equality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Poverty reduction (SDG 1) Protection of poor and negatively affected communities (SDG 12) Gender equality and empowerment of women (SDG 5)
	Water	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Availability of fresh water (SDG 6) Water quality (SDGs 6, 14) 		Labour conditions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quality of jobs (SDG 8) Just transition of the workforce (SDG 8)
	Land	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Biodiversity of terrestrial ecosystems (SDG 15) Land-use change, including deforestation, forest degradation and desertification (SDG 15) 		Communities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Traffic congestion (SDG 11) Road safety (SDGs 3, 11)
	Waste	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Waste generation and disposal (SDG 12) Treatment of solid waste and wastewater (SDG 6) 		Peace and security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Resilience to dangerous climate change and extreme weather events (SDG 13) Security (SDG 16)
	Other/cross-cutting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Resilience of ecosystems to climate change (SDG 13) Energy (SDG 7) 	Economic impacts	Overall economic activity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Economic activity (SDG 8) Economic diversification (SDG 8)
Health and well-being		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Access to clean, reliable and affordable energy (SDG 7) Quality of life and well-being (SDG 3) 		Employment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jobs (SDG 8) Wages (SDG 8)
Education and culture		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Capacity, skills and knowledge development (SDGs 4, 12) Climate change education, public awareness, capacity-building and research 		Business and technology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New business opportunities (SDG 8) Competitiveness of domestic industry in global markets
Institutions and laws		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quality of institutions (SDG 10) Public participation in policy-making processes 		Income, prices and costs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Income (SDG 10) Costs and cost savings
				Trade and balance of payments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Government budget surplus/deficit Energy independence, security or sovereignty