

Assessment of Options for Revision of the Regulation Establishing the European Pollutant Release and Transfer Register (E-PRTR) Overview

First Stakeholder Workshop

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Presentation outline

- Policy context, aims and objectives
- Related work streams
- Problem definition, baseline definition, EU level actions and policy options
- Assessment of impacts and comparison of options
- Consultation activities
- Work Plan

Policy context, aims and objectives

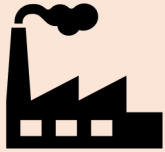
- The E-PRTR Regulation transposes the Kyiv Protocol
- Establishes a database with data on the annual mass emissions (and transfers) of pollutants
- Aim is to inform and involve the public in environmental decision-making
- Policymakers can also use the database to evaluate other policy instruments, e.g. the IED

Related work streams

- Assessment of options for the revision of the **Industrial Emissions Directive**
- Preliminary ideas for policy options in “Support study for the impact assessment on the revision of the **Urban Waste Water Treatment Directive**”
- Study to support the impact assessment of a possible revision of the lists of pollutants affecting surface and groundwaters and the corresponding regulatory standards in the **Environmental Quality Standards, Groundwater and Water Framework Directives**

Define the key issues and identify possible EU actions

Inclusion of additional activities



Inclusion of additional pollutants



Reporting thresholds and reporting modality



Support to the Green Deal and the circular economy



Contribution to the decarbonization of industry



Waste transfers and diffuse emissions



Define and clarify the problem to be addressed

Tracking releases from products



Faster reporting of data



Access to information
(ease and utility)



Define the baseline scenario

- **Number of reporting installations** broken down by sector, media and pollutant and **number of installations for each of the potential new sectors** to be included under the E-PRTR broken down by different capacity thresholds.
- **Administrative burden** (time / cost) **for operators** broken down by data collection (calculation and/or monitoring) and reporting; **for Member States** for data gathering and verification, enforcement and reporting to the Commission/EEA; **for the Commission/EEA** for data management, review, follow ups with the Member States and updating website.
- **Data quality** based on EEA verification activities and user statistics for the E-PRTR website.
- **Levels of emissions for sectors not currently included** under the E-PRTR but to be assessed as part of the impact assessment; **levels of emissions of pollutants not currently included** under the E-PRTR but to be assessed as part of the impact assessment
- Current **reporting requirements** for sectors not currently included under the E-PRTR but to be assessed as part of the impact assessment; current national level PRTR requirements – primarily where these already go beyond the current E-PRTR requirements e.g. the Spanish PRTR contains a broader list of activities than the E-PRTR.

Develop policy options and assess impacts

- Long list and screening of options
 - Legal feasibility
 - Technical feasibility
 - Coherence with other EU policy objectives
 - Effectiveness and efficiency
 - Proportionality
 - Political feasibility
 - Relevance
- Identification and assessment of impacts

Impact	Significance	Impact on key stakeholder groups	Justification for inclusion / exclusion
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Comparison of the options and concluding results

Comparison of the options via MCA:

- Assessing the effectiveness, efficiency and coherence of options
- Assessing the balance of economic, environmental and social impacts
- Identifying the trade-offs and synergies (e.g. among various stakeholder groups)
- Assessing the proportionality of different options

Set framework for monitoring and evaluation

Stakeholder consultation

Open Public Consultation

Targeted stakeholder consultation

- Internet-based surveys of stakeholders
- Two Focus groups (one on additional sectors/pollutants; one on other issues)
- One-to-one interviews with key stakeholders (around 50 interviews)
- Two stakeholder workshops

Work Plan

	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul
Task 1: Define key issues								
Task 2: Identification of possible EU actions								
Task 3: Define the baseline								
Task 4: Develop policy options								
Task 5: Assessment of impacts								
Task 6: Options comparison								
Task 7: Stakeholder consultation								
- OPC								
- Internet based surveys								
- Focus groups								
- Interviews								
- Second Stakeholder Workshop								

Thank you

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