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Health Impact Assessment (HIA) in Italy: what's new?

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Agenda

- Introduction

- HIA as part of EIA (national and regional level)

- HIA in SEA

- Not only IA: HIA in IED permits

- Further challenges/conclusion

HIA AS PART OF EIA (NATIONAL LEVEL)

- *The Environmental Code (Legislative Decree 3 April 2006, no. 152) requires the developer to draw up a HIA Report prior to filing the EIA application*

- *Guidelines drawn up by the Italian Health Authority ("Istituto Superiore di Sanità") in 2019 and adopted by Decree of the Ministry of Health*

- *Limited to certain categories of projects (e.g., thermal power stations and other combustion installations with a heat output exceeding 300 megawatts)*

HIA AS PART OF EIA (REGIONAL LEVEL)

- *Lombardy Region: HIA as a mandatory tool for drawing up the health chapter as part of the EIA Study envisaged by EIA; all projects subject to EIA / EIA screening of regional level*

- *Fragmented situation*

HIA AS PART OF SEA

- *Research projects to include HIA in SEA*

- *In certain cases, regional authorities require a HIA to be carried out*

- *No organic legislative framework is in place*

- *Still a lot to do*

NOT ONLY IA: HIA IN IED PERMITS

- *Council of State in 2019: when a HIA has to be carried out*

- *Draft law of parliamentary initiative S. n. 1337 (Assigned to the XIII Permanent Commission "Territory, environment, environmental assets" in the drafting session on 23 July 2019) entitled "Application of health impact assessment to Integrated Environmental Authorization procedures"*

FURTHER CHALLENGES/CONCLUSION

- *Evaluate the extension of the scope of HIA/screening HIA*

- *Introduction of further legislative requirements on HIA is probably needed in order to better guarantee public health in connection with environmental proceedings and also to avoid unacceptable differences between Regions*

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