Implementation of HIA

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Workshop objectives and outline

- Discuss issues related to implementation of HIA
  - Short review of the issue
  - Questions to discuss
  - Group work
  - General discussion
  - Conclusions
Implementation

Mazmanian & Sabatier:
- Implementation is the carrying out of a basic policy decision, usually incorporated in a statute but which can also take the form of important executive orders or court decision.

Webster & Roger:
- To carry out, accomplish, fulfill, produce, complete

Fixsen, Naom, Blase, Friedman, Wallace:
- Specified set of activities designed to put into practice an activity or program of known dimensions
Should HIA be implemented by law?

- Bulgaria – 2003, but lack of capacities resources...
- Lithuania – environmental orientation
- Slovakia – first by 01/01/2010 than postponed to 01/01/2011, doing moved to evaluating HIA reports...
- Spain in a systematic process on national level
- Switzerland – done at some extent on “kanton” (regional) level...
- USA, China and India mandated HIA recently!
- Denmark
- UK
- Italy
- Others...
HIA implementation

statute?

B3 – commitment and support needed?

B7 – conflict of interest of politicians and citizens?

A2 - 3? Who is a target group? PH practitioners? planners? politicians?...

C5 - frequent changes?

C1 - not a must

C2 – participation

C3 – data, literature access

C4 – public demand

Foundation of sound political decisions

B2 – determinants of health

B4?, B5?, B6? Differs, at some extent exist

A4? transparency

A1 data?

B1 – uncertainties, lack of clear definitions?
Questions to discuss

- If by law, should it be screening or full HIA?
- Individually or as a part of an integrated impact assessment procedure?
- Regulatory, research, routine practice oriented?
- Exclusive (one national agency? Public health authority?) or inclusive (academia, private business, etc...)?
- Quality assurance?
- Tools and their validity?
- EIA experience?