

# Evaluating Legislation and Other Non-Expenditure Instruments in the Area of Information Society and Media

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[This manual] addresses the pressing need for more guidance in evaluating legislation, which will become an increasingly important part of the [EC] policy officers' work in the coming years, just as impact assessment is now. More focus on evaluation should be seen as an opportunity to enhance the quality of policy making.

It explains what the evaluation of legislation and other non-expenditure instruments is and gives simple and straightforward guidance on how to go about it. After reading the manual a reader will:

- understand more fully what the purpose of evaluating legislation is and how it can help with policy work;
- be able to structure well and efficiently conduct the evaluation process to obtain relevant and high-quality output and to maximize the use of the results of an evaluation in the policy cycle;
- predict risks and difficulties in the evaluation process and be able to minimize them;
- understand what the basic evaluation methods and techniques are, and how to use them effectively in the specific context of evaluating legislation
- be able to find additional guidance and support

The manual is divided in two volumes. Volume 1 will guide a reader step-by-step through the entire evaluation process, from preparation and planning to data collection and analysis, to the dissemination and the use of evaluation results. Volume 2 contains a toolbox on methods and techniques tailored to the specific needs of evaluating legislation.

## Documents:

- Manual [Evaluating Legislation and Other Non-Expenditure Instruments in the Area of Information Society and Media](#)  [2 MB]

## Additional Information/documentation

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