

Evaluation of the Ecodesign Directive (2009/125/EC) Second stakeholder meeting

Welcome & introduction



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Structure of presentation

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- Key Questions
- Discussion

Processes

- **Evaluation questions** – formulation of a series of questions relating to each criterion
- **Literature and data** – review of information available on context, baseline and developments
- **Elaboration of research methodology** – resolution of methodological questions, development of website, preparation of survey and other investigations
- **Involvement of stakeholder community**– invitation to participate , registration through website : www.cses.co.uk/ecodesign_evaluation
- **On-line survey** – survey questionnaire and open invitation to provide evidence: http://www.cses.co.uk/ecodesign_evaluation/on-line-survey/
- **Stakeholder meetings** - three meetings at critical stages of the investigations
- **Interview programme** – direct discussions with interested parties
- **Case studies** - examination of possible extension through representative cases
- **Analysis & reporting** - open development of analysis and reports

Timetable

- **Project start :** December 2010
- **Inception Report :** 22nd February 2011
- **First Progress Report** 15th April 2011
- **First stakeholder meeting** 10th May 2011
- **First findings and Recommendations Report** 6th August 2011
- **Second stakeholder meeting** 5th October 2011
- **Draft Final Report** Mid December 2011
- **Third stakeholder meeting** Early February 2011
- **Final Report** 20th February 2011

Today's Programme

- **Rationale** – shaped by the central questions of the evaluation.
- **Session 1:** Effectiveness of the Ecodesign Directive (impacts on environment, market and industry).
- **Session 2:** Efficiency of Ecodesign Directive implementation and enforcement procedures.
- **Session 3:** Extension of the Directive.
- **Concluding session** – arrangements for further evidence; identifying unresolved issues; shaping the main conclusions of the evaluation.

Work conducted

- **Rationale** – open development of reports
- **Approach** : Evaluation methodology and questions
- **Core content** : the issues and the evidence on the key questions
- **Evidence**: based on three main instruments: the stakeholder survey, an interview programme and desk research.
- **Survey**: A total of 152 responses were received although not all questionnaires were fully completed.
- **Further actions**: Continuing review of literature, analysis of further evidence, revision of report

Today's Approach

- **What we have** – a report shaped to a large extent by feedback from stakeholders.
- **Where we are** – some highly provisional conclusions that need to be validated.
- **Some questions :**
 - Did we reflect what was said?
 - Is the analysis of a possible extension robust?
 - Can we better articulate certain points?
 - Are the arguments made generally supported ?
 - Can they be better substantiated or what is the evidence against?
- **What next** - Validating (rejecting) arguments on the basis of further evidence over the next couple of weeks

Key Questions - Relevance and coherence of the Directive

- What is the nature of the claim that the Ecodesign Directive has failed to take into account environmental issues wider than energy-related matters?
- Are there examples in existing Implementing Measures where significant wider issues have not been addressed?
- Is there support for the view that Implementing Measures fail to encourage innovation, because of their relatively static provisions?
- Are preparatory studies being used to best advantage?
- In which areas specifically, could there be closer integration between the Ecodesign Directive and legislation such as the Energy Labelling Directive, WEEE and ROHS?
- Are there other examples of a conflict between the Ecodesign Directive and the NEC and Air Quality Directives?

The main purpose of today's meeting is to organise further the stakeholder contribution to addressing these and other remaining questions.