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CEEP RESPONSE TO THE PUBLIC CONSULTATION ON THE REVISION OF THE COMMISSION'S IMPACT ASSESSMENT GUIDELINES

On the 18 June 2014, the EU-Commission launched a public consultation of the Impact Assessment Guidelines.

CEEP points of view

- It is important that the Commission carries out thorough impact assessments taking fully into account the principle of subsidiarity.
- The impact assessments must be realistic and be based on clear evidence. This is particularly the case regarding the regulative burden and costs arising from Commission proposals to employers and public services providers. This is not always the case today.
- The Commission should realise that there can be conflicts of interests in different issues/questions. These conflicts must be better identified than today, for the Commission to be able to see the consequences for different actors/stakeholders/groups and there by carry out its impact assessments in a better, more appropriate/relevant way in order to arrive at the right conclusions. The Commission must also consider the different levels involved; national, regional, local, to determine how best to address particular issues and problems.