

# Time between agenda setting, statute and implementation

## Dimension - Institutional Arrangements

Associated Key Factor:

### Policy formulation and implementation

Data Source:

EUR-Lex

Progress in notification of national measures implementing European directives (as of 28/02/03)

[www.europa.eu.int/prelex](http://www.europa.eu.int/prelex)

<http://www.europa.eu.int/eur-lex/en/index.html>

General Availability:

Reporting unit: European directive

Reporting level: EU Member States

Reporting period: regularly

Data available from 2003 to 2003

Availability by country:

2003 - 2003: EU-15

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The indicator:

Time between agenda setting, statute or design of a specific policy or legislative act and the latter's implementation.

### Description

Different legislations require different decision-making procedures. At the European level this involves the European Commission, the Council of Ministers and the European Parliament. At national level there are similar procedures involving the executive level of government, the parliament and/or senate. The time taken between agenda-setting, statute and implementation will depend on the policy area and type of procedure required.

### How is it measured?

Monitoring of decisions related to specific policy measures and their implementation. A content analysis of directives often supplies information regarding expected time of implementation following transposition. More detailed information should be derived on the basis of expert judgement / policy case studies.

### What are the advantages of the indicator?

Transposition is not equivalent to implementation. This indicator provides in-depth information regarding the policy process.

### What are the disadvantages of the Indicator?

Time and resource intensive in terms of data collection and analysis.

### What is the policy relevance of the indicator?

Provides benchmarking information on the time of implementation of specific policies. This, in turn, is important for the ex-ante evaluation of policy impacts, especially the timing of long-term outcomes.

**The Indicator is relevant for the following pathways of the FORESIGHT FOR TRANSPORT exercise:**