16.3 Readiness Check & RIAplus
Promoting the Rule of Law and Access to Justice is a priority for German Development Cooperation (BMZ).
- Currently ~13 programmes
- Budget: ~ 60 Mio. EUR
- New Governance Strategy in line with the 2030 Agenda currently being developed

What We Did
- Georgia
- Zambia
- Costa Rica
- Egypt

- Assessed contributions to 16.3 (and other SDGs)
- Addressed the Agenda principles (LNOB)
- Analysed different approaches to support 16.3
- Anchored broad AtoJ interpretation
What We Did

Findings
Country Context

- Desk Study: National development plans
- Voluntary national reviews
- Awareness of interviewees
- Data availability (esp. 16.3)
- Interviews with UN Agencies and other donors
- Memberships: Global Alliance etc.
- …

Very difficult / impossible!

Our 16.3 Projects

- AtoJ: people-centred; LNOB
- Justice Reform: structural changes, 16.7
- Human Rights: RoL principles, 16.10, 16.6
- Admin. reform: 16.6, admin. / civil justice

17.6 & 17.7 – Multi-Stakeholder Partnerships
Regional, national, local approaches
**Challenges**

- Contextualization ongoing (unclear priorities)
- Partners: lack of awareness (esp. judges, admin. staff)
- Interministerial cooperation / holistic strategies
- Availability of data / narrow focus of 16.3 indicators
- Shrinking democratic space → 16.7 / MSPs
- Balancing between demand & supply side
- Difficulty to work in/with in dual legal systems (selection of partners)
- Little guidance from HQ and commissioning parties (2016) regarding the mainstreaming of 2030 Agenda (M&E, reporting, planning…)

**Potentials**

Many promising practices:

- Zambia: „Legal Empowerment“ / demand side approach: very „people-centred“ (collaborations with paralegals, legal aid board, prisons, police, etc.; e.g. CCCI in Zambia)
- LAK DIRAJus: Interpretations of „16.3-Terms“: Dialogue Fora on AtoJ= Human Right
- Promote AtoJ and Rule of Law in challenging contexts seems possible (administrative justice)
- RIA in Georgia (integrated approach to legislative drafting processes)
What is RIA?

Origins: "Better Regulation" address the need for better and simpler regulatory environment

Classic focus: Administrative burden, costs of new regulation for economy and business
Evidence-based law-making → Stakeholder involvement → Facilitate better decisions → Improved quality of regulatory proposals

What's behind the Plus? What for?
Discussion

What has changed since September 2015?
Are you working differently thanks to the 2030 Agenda?
Failing Forward:
In your experience, what has NOT worked with respect to legislative processes? (and why?)

What are your biggest Success Stories with regards to regulatory processes? What were the success factors?
Is Big Data the Key to SDG 16 Implementation?

What does LNDB mean in your work/country context?
What **interlinkages** have you discovered between 16.3 and other Goals and targets? *(Which **trade-offs**?)*

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