

## OECD/DAC SEA GUIDANCE

The “*Good Practice Guidance on Applying SEA in Development Co-operation*” provides recommendations and a framework for the application of SEA to development co-operation based on emerging good practice. It was published in 2006, the product of two years work by an SEA Task Team of the OECD DAC ENVIRONET. The Task Team comprised development professionals working on the practical application of SEA in both developed and developing countries and co-opted experts from other relevant areas. It has developed a consensus on the concepts, principles and processes underpinning the successful application of SEA in a situation where great diversity prevails.

This Guidance is aimed primarily at professionals working in development agencies and developing country governments directly involved in policy, plan and programme development, assessment and implementation but it will also be of value to other policy analysts and planners. A discussion of the principles and concepts, benefits and contexts of SEA leads the reader into more practical support in the application of SEA in practice. Chapter 5 in particular identifies 12 key potential entry points for SEA application and provides more detailed support in realising these opportunities. Good practice case studies are used to support the general discussion wherever available.

To supplement the Guidance, specific Advisory Notes have been prepared to provide guidance for practitioners and specialists on:

- ① How SEA can be used to address key emerging issues (*e.g.* adaptation to climate change)
- ② How to apply SEA under special or challenging circumstances (*e.g.* in post-conflict situations)

Currently Advisory Notes have been developed for SEA and climate change adaptation, ecosystem services, disaster risk reduction, and post-conflict development. Additional Advisory Notes are currently being considered by the Task Team.

### OECD DAC SEA and Climate Change Adaptation Advisory Note

The focus of this Advisory Note is to show how SEA approaches can help mainstream adaptation to climate change into strategic planning.

### OECD DAC SEA and Ecosystem Services Presentation

This presentation has been developed as a communication tool for “SEA and Ecosystem Services Advisory Note”, one in a series of Advisory Notes that supplement the OECD DAC Good Practice Guidance SEA.

### OECD DAC SEA and Disaster Risk Reduction Advisory Note

This advisory note is a compliment to the advisory note on SEA and Climate Change. It is aimed at DRR experts wishing to use SEA and or SEA practitioners working with DRR. It is also recommended as a useful instrument for planners and practitioners working on climate change adaptation.

### OECD DAC SEA and Post-Conflict Development Advisory Note

This Advisory Note addresses two dimensions of the application of SEA in post-conflict situations: (1) Undertaking an SEA of a post-conflict reconstruction related policy, plan or programme (2) Special circumstances in which SEA procedures would be applied or not applied in a post-conflict environment.



### OECD DAC SEA and Ecosystem Services Advisory Note

This Advisory Note focuses on how to integrate the consideration of ecosystem services into SEAs. SEA approaches can help to prevent overlooking ecosystems services in the formulation and implementation of a policy, plan, or programme.

### Applying SEA: Good Practice Guidance for Development Co-operation

This document explains the benefits of using SEA in development co-operation and sets out key steps for its application, based on recent experiences. It is published in the DAC Guidelines and Reference Series.

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