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Monitoring and implementation: first ideas for second stage reviews

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Potentials for improvement

- Overlaps between different chapters (e.g. innovation systems, policies, science-business inter-linkages, financing)
- Less chapters?
- Same applies to policy recommendations
- Too descriptive?
- Too many recommendations
- Education and qualification adequately addressed?
- NIS heuristic still adequate, but needs to be flexibly adapted (e.g. market-related economic reforms, basic economic policy issues)
- Standardized format for all second-stage reviews??

Ideas regarding new format/topics

- Two main chapters (with 2-3 sub-chapters each): quantitative analysis of innovation related structures and performance over the last couple of years
- Using primarily indicators which have been used for the current reports
- Chapter would integrate all quantitative indicators currently spread all over the report
- Integration of comparisons/benchmarks
- Link to innovation system heuristic
- Chapter would present up-to-date data on current innovation performance as well as technological development

Ideas regarding new format/topics

- Second main chapter presents qualitative aspects of respective innovation system
- Possibly describe and analyze main modifications/reforms since the last reviews
- Address recommendations from first reviews: no evaluation rather than monitoring activities and analyze barriers, challenges and successes in implementing the recommendations
- Propose solutions in the case of problems in the course of implementation
- Addressing completely new policies

Methodological issues

- Main challenge to get the most current (and comparable) data both on the level of single measures/programmes and the country level
- Small team of experts dealing primarily with data issues and quantitative analysis
- Still necessary: fact-finding missions on-site regarding current information on innovation policies and updates
- Add alternative formats like small working groups, more creative formats??

Thank you!

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