

International Environmental Impact Assessment

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SUMMARY

The paper reviews the standards and procedures applicable to EIA internationally including: - Background and common themes in the development of EIA regimes internationally - Common basis for EIA within EU member states in accordance with EU Directives, and progress towards their implementation - Similarities and differences between national EIA requirements in other countries - EIA requirements imposed internationally through policies and guidelines of multinational organisations, including - World Bank, constituent organisations and regional development banks - United Nations - national / international development aid agencies - multinational companies, eg oil, gas and other energy companies - International sources of EIA guidance including; - United Nations Environmental Programme - World Bank Environmental Programme - Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency - Environmental Impact Assessment Centre

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