Session 8 - Interactive session IV: Scoring RIA

In this interactive case study, participants will work in smaller working groups with the aim to score the costs-benefit analysis section of a real RIA: Partial Regulatory Impact Assessment – Smokefree Aspects of the Health Bill.

Tasks:

- 1. Read the RIA to familiarise yourself with the issue. (30 mins)
- 2. Give scores on the statements within the score sheet for the cost-benefit section of the RIA in your groups. (30 mins)
- Present your scores to the other groups and give justification for your agreed group score. (7 mins)

Score sheet

Marking Instructions: For each statement below give a score for the content of the RIA in accordance with the following scores:

Score

- 0 = The RIA fails to cover or even mention the specified criteria or issue.
- 1 = The RIA refers to the specified criteria/issue, but makes minimal effort to respond to it effectively.
- 2 = The RIA refers directly to the specified criteria/issue and includes a limited response.
- 3 = The RIA refers directly to the specified criteria/issue and includes a comprehensive response.
- 4 = The RIA competently and adequately responds to the specified criteria or issue.

Assessment of impacts		Score
1.	The costs and benefits of the proposal are identified in detail, including economic, environmental and social factors	
2.	Credible evidence/data was used	
3.	The impacts are quantified were possible	
4.	Where they are not quantified, they are qualitatively assessed	
5.	The impact on businesses and especially SMEs is calculated	
6.	The proposal identifies any social or ethnics group or region that will be affected more than others	
7.	The proposal takes account of impact on competition and SMEs	