Why Evaluate RTI Implementation?



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Right to Information Implementation Assessment

Comprehensive Methodology

To report on SDG 16.10.2

To provide insights into implementation gaps and areas for improvement

To sensitise officials to RTI and its benefits



Who?

How?

- The evaluation is ideally overseen by a steering committee with multistakeholder representation.
- The process is led by a single actor (ideally the information commission, but alternatively other independent actors, such as a civil society organisation).

Assessment Approaches:

- 1. Desk-based literature review
- 2. Other desk-based reviews
- 3. Key informant interviews
- 4. Self-assessments
- 5. Office visits
- RTI request testing

Why this Methodology?

- This Comprehensive
 Methodology provides a
 structured tool for assessing
 the quality of implementation
 of a right to Information law.
- This Methodology allows for a deep evaluation of the complex and difficult issues relating to RTI implementation (more so than the two other main methodologies).
- While it requires some resources, the results will be insightful and reliable, better informing efforts to improve implementation.

Methodology Roadmap

1. Assess Feasibility of Doing Assessment





2. Put in Place the Governing Structure

3. Develop an Implementation Plan





4. Apply the Assessment Tools to Collect Data

5. Analyse Data and Score Results





6. Draft Report and Recommendations

7. Publish Report





8. Conduct Followup Advocacy and Activities

Other Methodologies



FOIAnet UNESCO

Comprehensive Methodology

1. Who

Civil society

Public bodies

Range of actors

2. What Proactive, reactive, institutional Focus on central measures

Central, institutional, proactive and reactive

3. How Desk research, requests

Surveys

Six assessment approaches