

In depth description of the 5 good practices selected dealing with regulatory reliefs, incentives or other simplification measures

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CATALONIA

Good practice selected: Reduction of administrative fees	
N. assigned in the mapping phase	6, 18
Promoting institution(s)	Catalonia Region
Type of measure	Reduction in the tax rates for services of environmental authorization of activities established by Law 20/2009 for EMAS registered companies.
Background	<i>Activities included at the annex of the Law with EMAS registration.</i>
Detailed description of the measure	<p>a) Bonuses for activities with EMAS → Laws and ordinances regulating the fees established by Article 89 of the Law, shall provide the granting of a specific bonus to companies with EMAS registration.</p> <p>b) Fee for services of environmental authorization of activities → For activities with EMAS registration, bonus of 50% on the fees (environmental authorization, evaluation and declaration of environmental impact of the activity, periodic review of the environmental authorization).</p>

Legislative reference	<p>a) Law 20/2009 of 4th December, on Prevention and environmental control of activities (LPCAA): (Additional sixth provision). (Annex I.1 modified by Royal Legislative Decree 1/2016 of 16 December, approving the revised text of the Law on Prevention and Control Integrated Pollution).</p> <p>b) Legislative Decree 3/2008 of 25th June, approving the revised text of the Law on taxes and public prices of the Generalitat of Catalonia (article 12.13-3), amended by Law 2/2014 of January 27.</p>
Level of Application (regional, national, etc.)	Regional
Score obtained in the first level assessment	6
Score obtained in the second level assessment	6,93
Final Score	12,93
Legal feasibility	
Description	The regulatory relief requires a medium legislative effort to be adopted since it involves the revision of a variable number of legal provisions.
Economic feasibility	

Description	It's necessary to take into account the decrease of income by the competent authorities. The measure does not require a high cost for its implementation and does not mean a significant saving of time for the competent authorities in the execution of the associated activities.
Technical feasibility	
Description	Since the measure doesn't suppose any technical novelty in the resolution of its application, the technical feasibility to be adopted by another Region is a priori medium.
Achieved results	
Description	The measure has been well received by organizations with EMAS registration and can contribute to increasing the number of EMAS registrations in the future, especially in certain sectors of activity. Given the scope of the measure, organizations from relevant sectors in the region will be favoured.
Environmental benefit	
Description	The regulatory relief involves sectors listed in the high complexity and special complexity category of the IAF reference document.