

Better Regulation for Green Growth: A View

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Questions Posed:

Regulatory Policy
for Green Growth
at Three Stages

Regulatory Policy

- Making
- Implementation
- Evaluation/Review

A Perspective: Regulatory Governance

- an integrated approach to the deployment of
 1. regulatory institutions
 2. regulatory tools
 3. regulatory processes

Regulatory-Policy Making, Implementation, and Evaluation in Japan

National Government

- **Coordination and Stronger Leadership** by the Cabinet (Office)
(e.g. amendments of the Cabinet Law)
- **Evaluation of Current Regulations** by the Council for the Promotion of Regulatory Reform (since 2001)
- **Experiments of Deregulation** by Special Zones for the Structural Reform
(since 2003)

Other Processes/Actors Involved

- Decentralization (local governments)
local-based coherence & efficiency
- Developing rulemaking procedure
(civil society)
- Extended judicial review of administrative
decisions (judicial branch & civil society)

Regulatory Innovation for Green Growth (1)

- Promotion of Renewable Energy
Production
(deregulation, subsidies)

Regulatory Innovation for Green Growth (2)

➤ Development of

Material Circulation (3R)

e.g. (+) substantial deregulation by clear
statutory interpretation

(--) limited number of plastic bottles
recycled due to export

Regulatory Innovation for Green Growth (3)

- Environmental Tax
(proposed Climate bill +)

Regulatory Innovation for Green Growth (5)

- EIA (Environmental Impact Assessment)
&
SEA (Strategic Environmental Assessment)
comprehensive assessment
more public participation at an earlier stage

Regulatory Innovation for Green Growth (5)

➤ Environmental Cleanup Law (Soil Contamination Countermeasure)

2002 & 2009 amendment

New regulation would create/expand a new market.

Conclusion (1)

- Regulatory & environmental policy mix by full coordination within the government including competition policy
- Regulatory policy accomplished through all governmental processes (three branches and multi-layered)

Conclusion (2)

- Promotion of PPP/ public participation
(public-private-partnership)
- Examination of regulation both in text and
in practice in a society
- Potential contribution of (more) regulation
to green growth