



GOING FOR A RESOURCE EFFICIENT ECONOMY - SOME POLICY GUIDANCE

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Implementation of resource efficiency policies in the OECD

- Evolution in RE strategies:
 - Resource efficiency as part of green growth / circular economy / sustainable development strategies
 - Emphasis on downstream policies rather than upstream policies
- Evolution in use of economic instruments for a richer policy mix:
 - Landfill and incineration taxes
 - Extended producer responsibility policies
 - Pay-as-you-throw charging of households



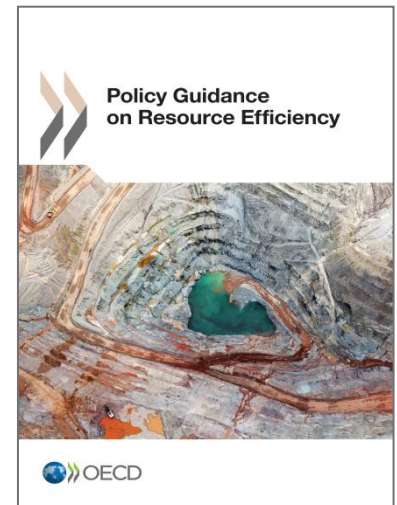
Persistent challenges

- ***Fragmented*** policy landscape to address specific materials / products / lifecycle stages / market players
 - Risk of ***shifting*** environmental burden from one location, or one medium, or one phase of the lifecycle to another
 - Need for a ***carefully-designed policy mix*** to pursue a variety of objectives and target different materials and actors
- Challenge of ***integration and coherence*** between policies



Key messages

1. Apply mixes of policy instruments
2. Across the product lifecycle
3. Integrate RE into sectoral and cross-cutting policies
4. Strengthen monitoring, evaluation and data





Areas for international cooperation

- Support greening of **supply chains**
- Remove obstacles to **trade and investment**
- Support for **environmental labels** and information schemes
- **Official development assistance** for RE
- Improve RE **data and economic analysis**



Thank you for your attention