

Regulation Enforcement Approaches, A Comparative Analysis in the Light of the Elements of Public Policy Analysis

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The success or failure of a regulation depends on adopting an appropriate approach for enforcing laws and regulations, which in turn makes it essential to examine these approaches. For this goal, utilizing the Bereday analytical framework as a method for comparative study, a wide spectrum of approaches to the exercise of governmental regulation instruments (rules, regulations, standards, and procedures) has been identified and described. Subsequently, drawing on the key elements of policy analysis, including the nature of the problem, main actors, and the role of social institutions, these approaches have been compared. The findings indicate that new approaches to enforcement are moving away from traditional deterrence-based models, emphasizing instead the importance of fostering intrinsic motivation for regulatory compliance within society. In addition, these approaches highlight the role of social and institutional factors in shaping regulatory compliance behavior, as well as the need to account for the complexity of issues regulated by such instruments. The results of this study can provide a foundation for informed decision-making in the effective design and implementation of regulatory policies at the national level.

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