IMPACTS OF DIGITAL ACTIVITIES

Right to privacy

Freedom of expression

Equality and non-discrimination

...but also many, many other impacts
POLICY DEVELOPMENTS

International frameworks and guidance

Regional initiatives and policy developments (EU, US, AU other)

National level – data protection authorities, AI authorities, consumer protection
DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES, IA AND JUST TRANSITION

Digital Technologies in Just transition
- solar and wind forecasting
- power system frequency analysis and control
- more...

Digital technologies and IA
- Data processing
- Surveys
- more ...
Lack of geographical boundaries

Stakeholder engagement

Assessment triggers/timing
HRIA of ‘digital activities’

- Guidance published in 2020
- Need for guidance – expectations and demands on impact assessments regarding tech
- Developed based on previous experience
- Engagement with actors in the digital space – business, consultants, academics, civil society
- Considering the realities of the digital ecosystem – need for adaptation(!)
- Emphasis on stakeholder engagement and local context
Key criteria of HRIA

Process criteria
• Participation
• Non-discrimination
• Empowerment
• Transparency
• Accountability

Content criteria
• Benchmark = human rights
• Scope of impacts
• Assessing impact severity
• Impact mitigation measures
• Access to remedy