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Edward Donelan was the head of Sigma project (a joint initiative of the OECD and the European Commission) between 2004 and 2006. Project focused on an assessment of the regulatory management capacities of the Member States of the European Union who joined the Union on the 1st May 2004. A synthesis of those assessments was published as Sigma paper No. 42 and is available at [www.sigmaweb.org](http://www.sigmaweb.org). He is currently undertaking a similar task in Bulgaria and Romania. His most recent activities have also included work with Sigma in Albania in the process of European integration and in Romania on strategic planning and budgeting. He has held presentations in 2007 at conferences and workshops in Bulgaria, Hungary, Moldova and Macedonia. Prior to his work in Sigma, he practiced as a barrister and later worked with the Office of the Attorney General, Dublin, as a parliamentary counsel. This work included drafting and advising on legislation across a wide range of subjects. In 1999, he became Director of Statute Law Revision in Ireland. He drew up and implemented a program to modernize Irish Statute law and worked with the Government in Ireland to develop a policy on Better Regulation. He is author of Energy and Mineral Resources Law in Ireland and co-author of a number of publications on consumer law as well as numerous articles and presentations on Better Regulation policy.