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Governments increasingly focus on efforts to make administrative regulations simpler and less burdensome for businesses in European countries. Better regulation practices are crucial in order to ensure growth and improve the competitive position of businesses above all the small and medium size enterprises.

A pivotal role of better regulation is minimising the administrative burdens for businesses. Through structured programs (The Netherlands, Denmark, United Kingdom) or pilot projects, every European countries and European Union have adopted the Standard cost model (SCM) to measure and simplify the regulation.

By acquiring a deeper understanding of how the Standard Cost Model has worked in practice and whether it has produced significant results, the research aims at finding the successful mechanisms associated with successful implementation of the SCM at European and national level in order to understand whether the SCM could be fruitfully implemented at regional level.