



COUNTRY Bulgaria
CASE STUDY CODE Bulgaria_Good Practice_O.10_01



MAIN INFORMATION

Title Public Consultations and Civic Participation

Location Bulgaria

Responsible Authority Institute for Public Administration, Council of Ministers of the Republic of Bulgaria

Link

Keywords Qualification course, non-formal education, public consultation, crowdsourcing, civic IT support

IDENTIFICATION

Type	Case (plan, program, project etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stakeholders involved	Public institutions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Method / Tool	<input type="checkbox"/>		Private sector	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Organisation	<input type="checkbox"/>		Civil society organisations	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Legal framework	<input type="checkbox"/>		Knowledge institutions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Other <input type="text" value="Informal training"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Public or grassroots movements	<input type="checkbox"/>
			Other	<input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Policy field	Urban planning	<input type="checkbox"/>	Timeline	Start date	<input type="text"/>
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	Other <input type="text" value="Public administration"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Completed	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Spatial level	National	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Repeated overtime	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	Regional	<input type="checkbox"/>			
	Local	<input type="checkbox"/>			



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CONTENT AND RESULTS

Purpose and context

The course introduces the approaches and standards for conducting public consultations under the current legislation, as well as the principles and forms of citizen participation. The course is delivered as on-site training civil servants for 16 study hours.

Problems and challenges

It is important to emphasise that innovative tools mobilising civic support and collective intelligence such as crowdsourcing and civic IT support (civic hacking) are also studied.

Organizing, Supporting and Funding Entities

Process (including participant recruitment/selection) and Interaction/Participation (including methods/tools) used

The training presents "Standards for Conducting Public Consultations" of the Council for Administrative Reforms of the Republic of Bulgaria, focusing on the principles, legal requirements and organisation of the relevant procedures. It deals with the conduct of consultations when carrying out preliminary and ex-post impact assessments of legal acts, before submitting a draft legal act for adoption by the Council of Ministers, the participation of stakeholders in proceedings for the issuance of a general administrative act and consultations carried out in connection with the environmental assessment of plans and programmes. The training also covers the principles of citizen participation and the forms of interaction between the administration and civil society in decision-making.

Outcomes, Effects and Lessons Learned

Upon completion of the training, participants are expected to: know the principles, legal requirements and organisation of public consultations; know the procedures for conducting four specific types of public consultations; understand the role of citizen participation and its contribution to the decision-making process; and have the skills to apply the tools for conducting public consultations; know innovative forms of engaging citizen participation.

Bibliography



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