eParticipation helps people engage in politics and policy-making and makes the decision-making processes easier to understand, thanks to Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs).

Public administrations need to adapt to keep up with the rapid transformation of our society. The increased connectivity of citizens and businesses leads to new expectations as regards the quality, transparency and efficiency of public services as well as access to public figures and institutions. The European eGovernment Action Plan (2011-15) [1] and the Malmö Ministerial Declaration [2]on eGovernment support the use of ICTs in civic life. Also the Europe for Citizens Programme (2007-2013) [3] promotes initiatives that facilitate the active participation in the civic and democratic life of the EU.

Projects (past and current)

- The eParticipation Preparatory Action – supported by the European Parliament - co-funded 21 pilots promoting the use of ICT in legislative and decision-making processes within parliamentary and government environments.
- The CIP ICT Policy Support Programme [4] for 2009 supported projects empowering and involving citizens in transparent decision-making in the EU.
- The EU's 5th & 6th Research Framework Programmes (FP5 / 6) co-funded several projects to develop concepts, tools and solutions for the use of ICT in participatory democracy. New tools for governance and policy modelling, currently being developed under FP7 [5], will support governments in delivering smarter, targeted and adaptive policies, whilst better understanding cost-effectiveness and impacts.
- Still running projects: OurSpace [6], Puzzled by Policy [7], MyUniversity [7], Immigration Policy 2.0 [8].
- The project PARTERRE (2010-2012) has achieved concrete results, see here [9].

See also:

- eParticipation Flyer - new June 2013 [10]
- eParticipation Summary Report [11]
- eParticipation brochure 'Citizens speak out' [12]

- eParticipation community on ePractice.eu [13]

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- EU Citizenship: Commission proposes 12 new actions to boost citizens' rights [17] (16/05/2013)

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- CeDEM14 Conference for E-Democracy and Open Government [19] (Danube University Krems, Austria, 21/05/2014 to 23/05/2014)

Project results **[20]**

- European Cities two steps ahead with FUPOL [21] (12/12/2013)

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- Discover eParticipation with OurSpace Videos! [23] (07/10/2013)
- Video Puzzled by Policy [24] (01/10/2013)

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- EU initiative Puzzled by Policy provides a free, interactive platform for understanding public attitudes to key policy issues [26] (28/11/2013)
- ICT2013 - eGovernment in the spotlight [27] (27/11/2013)
- OurSpace e-participation platform [28] (22/11/2013)

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- Report/Study: European eParticipation Summary Report [30] (01/11/2009)
- Brochure: Brochure: Citizens speak out A louder call for European eParticipation [31] (01/07/2009)

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- ICT-enabled public sector innovation in H2020 [33] (10/12/2013)
- eParticipation - new flyer [34] (24/10/2013)
- eParticipation: Active participation in political life and decision-making [35] (31/05/2013)

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