



Single Framework Service Contract for the Provision of and Support to Training (2023CE160AT004)

Citizens engagement and EU Cohesion 2021-2027

Venue

Face-to-face
Avenue Tervueren 41- DG REGIO, Brussels
(Metro Merode)

Organised

For DG REGIO by EIPA-CPVA

Dates

13-14 May 2024

F2F Programme

MONDAY 13 May 2024

- 08.45 **Registration of participants**
- 09.00 **Opening of the Seminar: Introduction to the programme, method and objectives**
Stefan Appel, Head of Unit DG REGIO, EC and *Marco Lopriore*, Expert, EIPA
- 09.15 **The framework for citizens engagement in the EU Cohesion cycle**
Mauricio Mejia Galvan, Policy Analyst, OECD Open Government and Civic Space Unit
- OECD Guidelines for Citizen Participation Processes
 - OECD and DG REGIO first pilot Final Report (focus on the main recommendations issued to the Commission and the Managing Authorities; examples from Emilia-Romagna and Poland)
 - Experiences from the second pilot phase
 - Q&A session
- 10.30 **Groups discussion on the next steps for citizens engagement in EU cohesion policy**
Mauricio Mejia Galvan, *Marco Lopriore* and *Francesco Amodeo* DG REGIO EC
- Participants main learnings from citizens participation so far, opportunities, main challenges
 - Identifying ways forward in EU cohesion including in ITI, SUD, TJTP
- 11.00 Coffee Break
- 11.20 **Lessons from the OECD-DG REGIO pilots projects: Integrated Territorial Strategy (ITS) in Banska Bystrica**
Sona Karikova, Head of the Department for participation and innovation in open governance, Municipality of Banská Bystrica
- Ideation and prioritization of projects
 - Digital infrastructure
- 13.00 Lunch
- 14.15 **Citizens engagement methodologies**
Christophe Gouache, Designer & researcher at Strategic Design Scenarios, Lead Expert of URBACT European Network of Cities (Breaking Isolation & Active Citizens), Trainer at the French National Institute for Public Policies
- Participatory policy-making practices and inspiring cases
- 15.45 Coffee break
- 16.00 **Interactive sessions: Let's play! 'Citizen participation? Hell no!'**
Christophe Gouache, Designer & researcher at Strategic Design Scenarios
- 17.30 End first day

TUESDAY 14 May 2024

- 09.00 **Recap previous day**
Marco Lopriore
- 09.05 **Lessons from the OECD DG REGIO pilots: citizens engagement for low-carbon economy in Cantabria**
Arantxa Mendiharat, Co-founder Deliberativa
- 10.30 Coffee Break
- 10.50 **The EMPACI Interreg BSR project on participatory budgeting**
Ellen Hausteijn, Project Manager University Rostock
- Tools (technical tools for PB design, training manuals)
 - Key learnings from the EMPACI project and the Pilots
 - Workshop on PB
 - Activities of pilot municipalities (hackathon in Finland, pre-phase in Vidzeme, train-the-trainers)
 - Internet voting, websites and Information technology services
- 12.30 **Conclusions: What are the lessons learned from the training and next steps in your 2021-2027 programmes**
Marco Lopriore, Expert, EIPA and Francesco Amodeo DG REGIO EC
- 12.45 **End of the course**