# Participatory Governance

#### From Representative Democracy to Participatory Democracy

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# Cluj-Napoca City Model

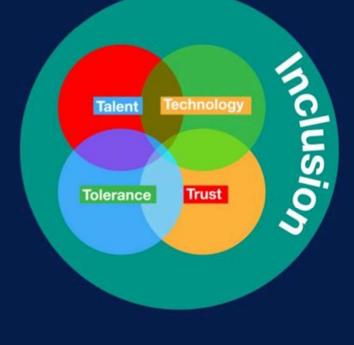
## Cluj-Napoca:

**ECO** system

not

**EGO** system





#### Case study I: Participatory Budgeting processes

> Classic PB 2013 - pilot project in the city's largest neighbourhood (Mănăştur)

**Online PB** - 2017, 2018, 2019 - the first online participatory budgeting process in Romania

**Youth PB** - Com'On Cluj-Napoca (part of the 2015 European Youth Capital program) > Com'On Europe

Case study II: Civic Innovation and Creativity Center (CIIC)



> 2013 - The first classic participatory budgeting process in Romania

> pilot project in the largest district of Cluj-Napoca: Mănăștur
> 600+ participants
> dialogue & collaboration: City Hall & NGO sector & academic sector & citizens

The International Observatory on Participatory Democracy (IODP) awarded the Municipality of Cluj-Napoca with a Special Mention of the International Jury for the "Participatory Budgeting in Mănăştur District" (Madrid, 24 to 26 March, 2015).



### Participatory budgeting for young people > Com'ON Cluj-Napoca 2015

> within the Cluj-Napoca 2015 European Youth Capital program
> Financing over 100 small projects initiated by young people

#### **Results - 2019 edition:**

- ★ 10.000 votes
- ★ 137 ideas submitted
- ★ 37 final projects

2016 - Com'on Cluj-Napoca: international best practice => Com'ON Europe >

>> <u>1.611 million people reached altogether.</u>

#### 2017 - The first online participatory budgeting process in Romania

>> 3 editions of online PB - in 2017, 2018, 2019

45 projects implemented/in implementation by the municipality of Cluj-Napoca

> 663 projects
submitted
> 212 eligible projects
> 76.837 total of votes

PB Cluj-Napoca - good practice model for many cities in Romania (Sibiu, Bucharest, Oradea etc.)

Image sources: Laviniu Lazar - Stories in Motion

## Implemented projects - online PB: Closed circuit School Buses: 12 routes, 700 children/day





## **Contactless payment in public transport**





## Projects in implementation:

 Youth Center
 overlighting pedestrian
 crossings a.s.o.

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Participative decision-making | Public participation: citizen involvement right from the pre-design stage of projects

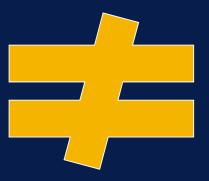


> We aim to foster in the best way the community's creative resources

 > Citizens involvement in large-scale city projects >
 e.g.: the grassroots development of the new
 Sopor neighbourhood in Cluj-Napoca



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