



INSPIRED final conference

Presentation of the Operating Model for inclusive and participatory policy dialogue and integrated democracy support

13 November 2014, 9:00 – 13:00

European Commission, Rue Philippe Le Bon 3, room 3/45

Objective

The event serves to present and discuss the Operating Model for inclusive and participatory policy dialogue and integrated democracy support, developed by the European Partnership for Democracy (EPD) in the framework of the EU-funded project INSPIRED. Participants include officials from the European Commission, EEAS and EU Member States, practitioners and academics with an interest in democracy support, in particular policy dialogue and institution building.

Programme

8:30 – 9:00	Arrival of guests
9:00 – 9:10	Opening words <i>Hans Bruning, Chairman of EPD and Executive Director at NIMD</i> <i>Carlos Westendorp, Executive Director at the Club de Madrid</i>
9:10 – 9:30	The European Union's approach to democracy support <i>Sylvia Domisiewicz, Policy Officer Democracy and Electoral Observation Division, EEAS</i> <i>Olivier Louis, Head of Section Democracy, DG DEVCO, European Commission</i>
9:30 – 10:30	Presentation of INSPIRED results: Operating Model and Integrated Support Framework <i>Sebastian Bloching, Programme Manager at EPD</i> <i>Sergio Rodriguez Prieto, Methodology Expert INSPIRED</i>
10:30 – 10:45	First round of feedback
10:45 – 11 :00	Coffee break
11:00 – 11:15	From theory to practice <i>Boris Tadic, Former President of Serbia and Member of the Club de Madrid</i>
11:15 – 12:15	Presentation of INSPIRED pilot projects in Tunisia, Moldova and Kyrgyzstan <i>Ahmed Driss, President, Centre of Mediterranean and International Studies, Tunisia</i> <i>Sorin Menapace, Executive Director, East-Europe Foundation Moldova</i> <i>Cholpon Nogoibaeva, Consultant, Institute of Constitutional Policy, Kyrgyzstan</i>
12:15 – 13:00	Q&A and closing remarks

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Registration

Participation is by registration only. To register, please send an email indicating your name, organisation and position to Communications@epd.eu.

About INSPIRED

INSPIRED is a multi-partner multi-country programme funded by the European Union under the European Instrument for Democracy and Human Rights (EIDHR). It has been implemented by a consortium of seven organisations: European Partnership for Democracy (lead organisation), Club de Madrid, Netherlands Institute for Multiparty Democracy, The Institute of Economic Affairs (Ghana), East Europe Foundation (Moldova), Centre of Mediterranean and International Studies (Tunisia) and Institute of Constitutional Policy (Kyrgyzstan). The main goal of INSPIRED was to develop an Operating Model for facilitating inclusive and participatory dialogue on policy reform in contexts of democratic transition.

In the first phase of the programme (September 2012 to June 2014), INSPIRED has been promoting a culture of dialogue and trust through policy dialogue projects in four pilot countries: Tunisia, Moldova, Ghana and Kyrgyzstan. The first phase culminated in a lessons learned seminar, which provided EPD with valuable feedback for the refinement of the methodology that had been applied in each of the four countries.

The second phase of INSPIRED consisted of an exchange of experiences and best practices with practitioners working in fields that are closely related to inclusive and participatory dialogue and donor alignment, such as policy dialogue, peace-building/conflict resolution and technical assistance. This exchange was organised through a specially developed website (www.inspired-democracy.eu) and a physical two-day workshop that took place in Madrid in July 2014.

Based on the lessons learned from the four pilot projects and the feedback and input received from the community of practitioners, EPD has developed an Operating Model for facilitating inclusive and participatory policy dialogue and integrated democracy support, which will be published in a handbook later this year.



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