





UNLOCKING THE POTENTIAL OF CITIZEN PARTICIPATION AT DIFFERENT LEVELS OF GOVERNANCE

TAIEX-REGIO MULTI-COUNTRY WORKSHOP ON ENGAGING CITIZENS FOR EU COHESION POLICY

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REGIONAL LAW ON PARTICIPATION FOR THE ELABORATION OF PUBLIC POLICIES (L.R.15/2018)

MAIN OBJECTIVES

Increase quality in democratic processes to define public policies

Promote citizen engagement in public decision making process

Increase social cohesion

Enhance the role of the regional administration as a «competence hub»

Promote collaboration form and involvement of civic society among which «Common goods»

Support collaboration between local authorities and civil society

Enhance digital innovation in participation and promotes Open Gov tools







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WHO

right to promote:

Regional and local authorities, civil society

right to participate: ER citizens and their associations, foreigners resident in ER, enterprises, any other civil society form of rappresentation

WHAT

partecipatory
processes about a
public decision:
regional law,
policies,
programmes,
services, and
projects, all stages of
public decision

HOW

participation process aligned with the decision-making process, any kind of methods (participatory and deliberative), any type of recruitment, maximun time 1 year, quality certification process.

TASK

Accountability:
public authorities
should decide and
communicate how
they plan to use
inputs received







REGIONAL COMPETENCE CENTER: 4 PILLARS

FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO LOCAL PROCESSES

>FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO COMPETENCE CENTER PILLARS

RESOURCES

CAPACITY BUILDING

- >TRAINING
- >OBSERVATORY ON PARTICIPATION
- >METHODOLOGY SUPPORT

>NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL NETWORKS

>COMMUNITY OF PARTICIPATORY PRACTICES

NETWORKING

DIGITAL INNOVATION

>E-DEMOCRACY PLATFORM

≻OPEN GOV







RESOURCES

Local participatory processes

Financial support to participation processes promoted by LA or civil society (annual budget allocation through competitive tendering procedure)

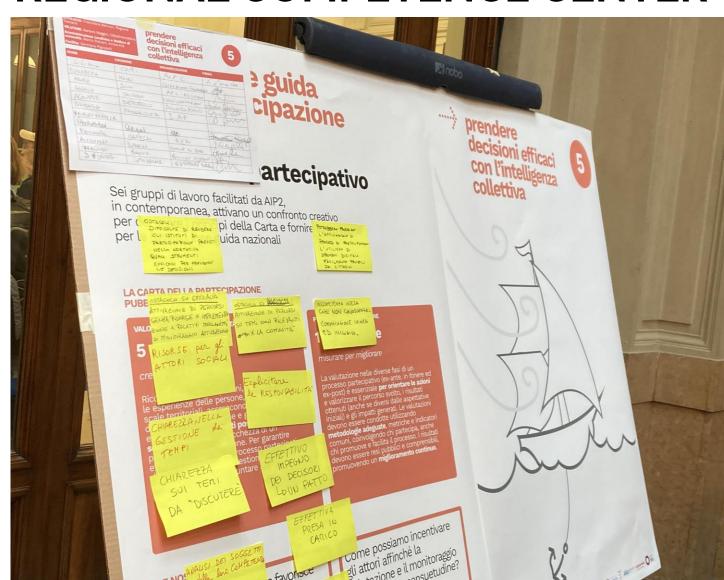
5.124.147,00 € from 2012

Community of practices

People involved in the co-creation and coimplementation of **STEP Territorial**

Participation Strategies: an annual program of meetings to promote cross-pollination, networking by sharing experiences and good practices, weaving connections with networks and with scientific contributions.

600 people involved









TRAINING

The multiannual training programme for participation

2022-24

defined through a **participatory budgeting 1.500** people involved **14** training courses

2025-27

will be defined through a participatory approach, open to ER employees, local authorities, in order to match internal and local territorial needs. It will be launched on the 28 of November 4 meetings to gather ideas, define needs and develop a common training programme on participation









NETWORKING

Participation National Hub

Within the 5th National Plan for Open Government, Central administration, ERR, stakeholders have set up an Hub to support the development participatory policies

Multistakeholders Forum

it is a governance tool to foster Open Government, including public administration and private stakeholders. ERR is represented by **Micaela Deriu**.

Open Gov Practices: towards

National Guidelines for public participation. ERR toghether with AIP2 and others are contributing to the guidelines









DIGITAL INNOVATION

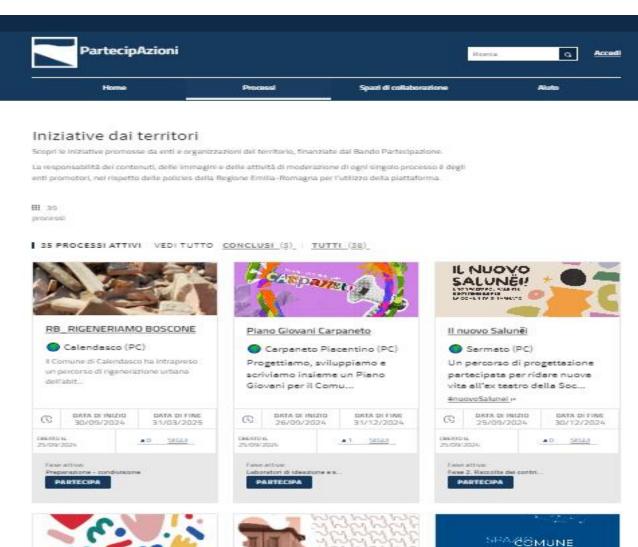
PartecipAzioni

The e-democracy platform of the Emilia-Romagna Region, based on Decidim, to support the participation processes carried out within the framework of its policies and in implementation of Regional Law 15/2018.

Started in collaboration with the Department of Public Administration, as part of the 4th Line of Action of the National OGP Plan.

45 hybrid participatory processes 1250 people

Now used for regional and also for local processes.









THE ROLE OF REGIONAL ADMINISTRATION IN A MULTILEVEL GOVERNEMENT ECOSYSTEM

NATIONAL

(NATIONAL DEPARTMENT FOR PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION) AIP2 NET NATIONAL HUB FOR OPEN GOVERNEMENT

LOCAL

1695 PARTICIPATION PROCESSES

DIRECTORATE GENERAL EUROPE, RESOURCES. INSITITUTIONS, INNOVATION (HORIZONTAL) **REGIONAL UNIT** FOR EUROPEAN POLICIES COORDINATION. TERRITORIAL COHESION, PROGRAMMING. PARTICIPATION, **EVALUATION REGIONAL COMPETENCE CENTER** FOR CTZ AND STK ENGAGEMENT. **PARTICIPATION**

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REGIONAL AGENCY

CIVIL PROTECTION,
RECONSTRUCTIONS and
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

PROMOTION OF THEMATIC CONSULTATIONS PARTICIPATION PROJECTS







PARTICIPATION: FIGURES AND A TERRITORIAL VIEW









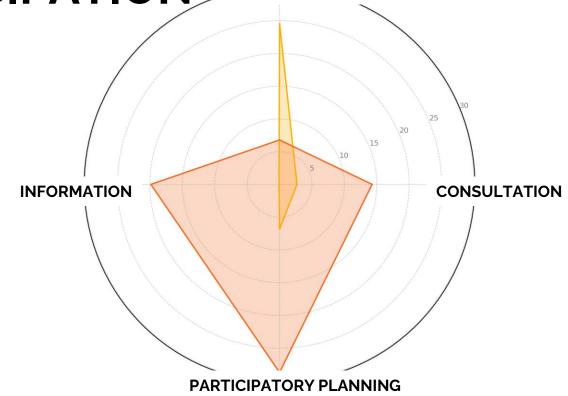
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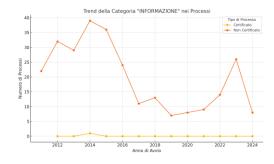
FOUR DIMENSIONS OF PARTICIPATION MANAGEMENT

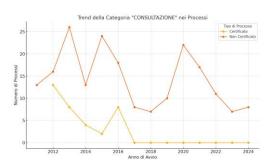
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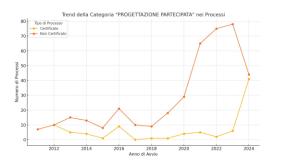
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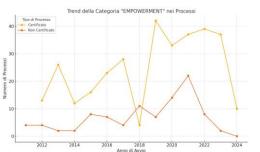














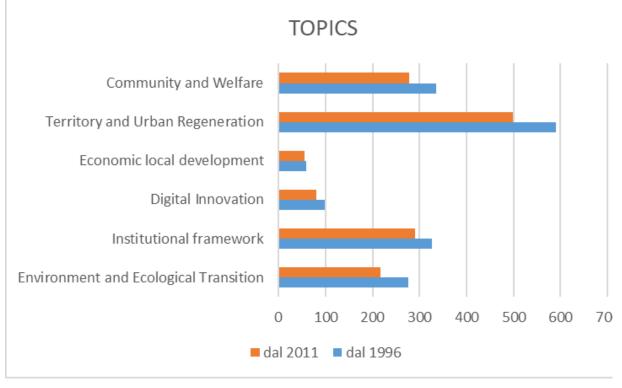


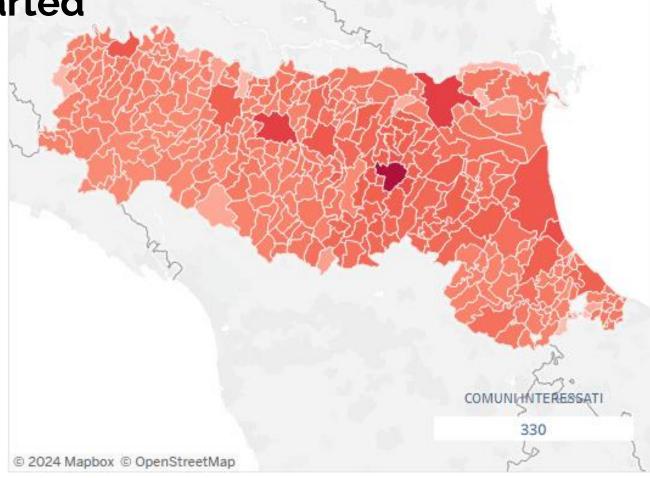


TERRITORIAL ANALYSIS OF REGIONAL EXPERIENCES

1.695 participatory processes started

1529 finished - 166 ongoing







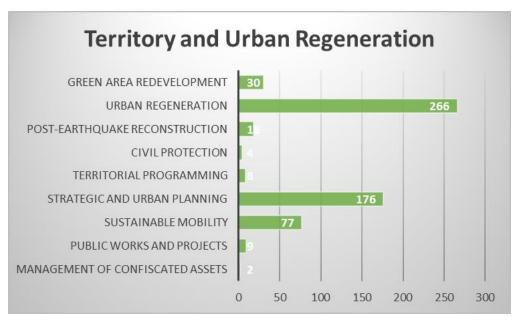


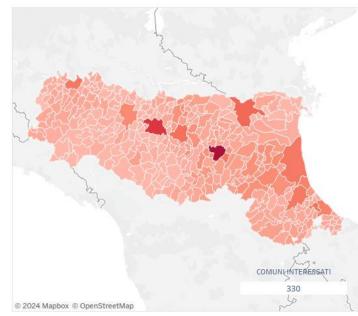


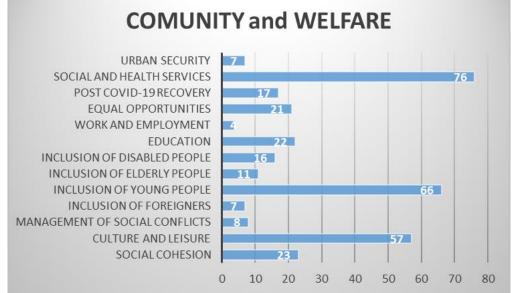
REGIONAL MAIN TOPICS

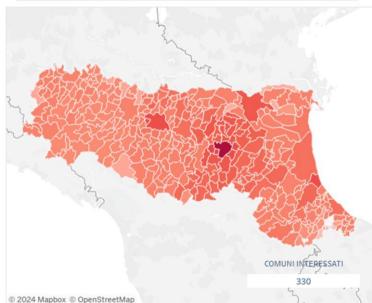
participatory process

597
TERRITORY and
URBAN
REGENERATION









338
COMMUNITY and
WELFARE



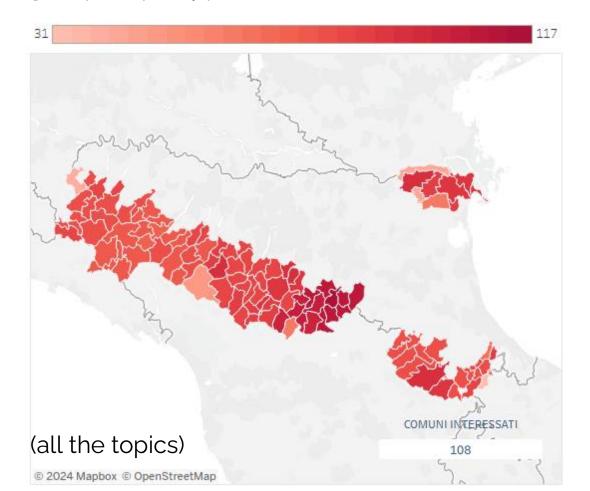




TERRITORIAL INTEGRATED STRATEGIES

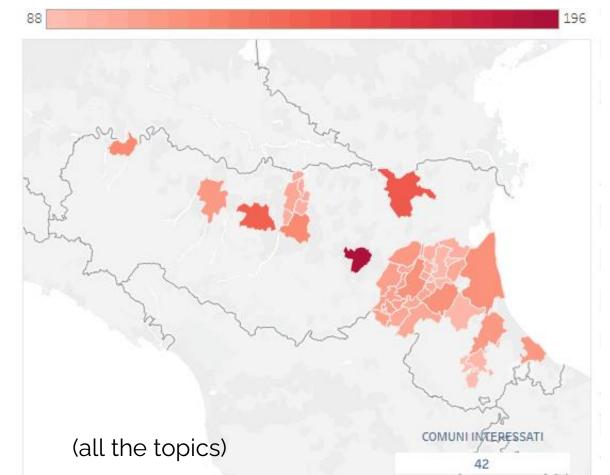
STAMI - MOUNTAIN AND INNER AREAS

360 participatory processes



ATUSS -TRANSFORMATIVE URBAN STRATEGIES FOR SUSTAINABILITY

757 participatory processes

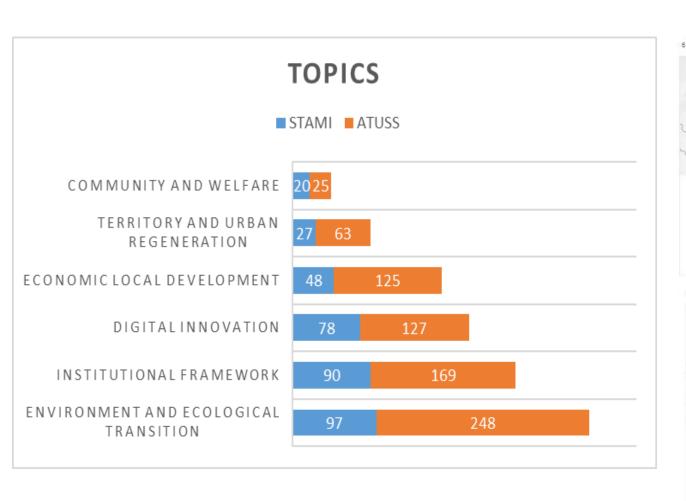


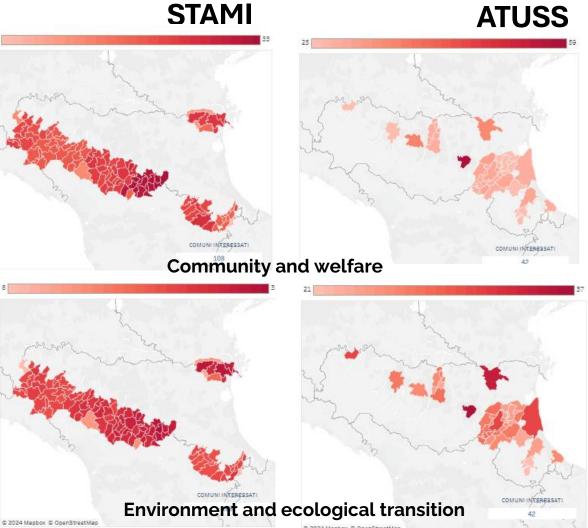






TERRITORIAL STRATEGIES: MAIN TOPICS











FUTURE STEPS

- 1. LESSONS LEARNT
- Capitalisation of participation processes (local and regional)

2. INCREASE THE PARTICIPATORY APPROACH FOR LOCAL DEVELOPMENT POLICIES/CITIZENS ENGAGEMENT

- ❖ ERR territorial policies for Urban and Inner Areas (ATUSS and STAMI). Test and experiment a variety of methodologies for participatory approach (i.e. Youth project)
- Contribute to National guide lines for participation process, having a specific focus on local participation
- ❖ Post 27: developing possible scenarios concerning the role of participation in the programming and implementation phases of European and National funds

3. STRENGHTENING OF NETWORKS, NATIONAL AND EUROPEAN (MUTUAL LERNING)

❖ Further testing Multilevel dialogue among ER local authorities, ERR and national level (periodic meetings to exchange experiences and point of view (Cfr STEP within the National plan for open government in view of Local OGP)

4. DIGITAL INNOVATION

 Further improvement of the edemocracy platform



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