

# VOICE&VOTE

## Diving into practice First wave: citizens' assembly

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# Citizen's assembly principles

✕	commissioning authority publicly commits to responding to or acting on recommendations in a timely manner
✕	access to a wide range of accurate, relevant, and accessible evidence and expertise
✕	group deliberation that entails finding common ground
✕	random sampling or other methods to gain better representativeness
✕	task clearly defined as a question that is linked to a public problem
✕	participants have time to come to the decision (they meet for at least four full days in person)
✕	voting/deciding at the end
✕	involve a component of broader stakeholder participation

# Citizens' assembly in Érd, Hungary

Duration of the process	January-July 2022
Location of the process	Érd, Hungary
Coordinators of the process	DemNet
Who commissioned the process?	DemNet initiated the process
Who was in charge of setting the remit (topic) of the process?	DemNet and the Municipality of Érd
Number of participants	50 (+4 substitutes)
Principles for deliberative processes	two-stage, random selection; representativeness; stakeholder participation; expert involvement; group deliberation; joint proposals

# Civic Council on energy costs, Poland

Duration of the process	April-December 2022
Location of the process	local councils - 45 various locations in Poland Citizens' Assembly - Warsaw, Poland
Coordinators of the process	Shipyards Foundation
Who commissioned the process?	a bottom-up approach without authorities' involvement
Who was in charge of setting the remit (topic) of the process?	Shipyards Foundation
Number of participants	700 - 45 local councils 96 - Citizens' Assembly
Principles for deliberative processes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• access to a wide range of accurate, relevant, and accessible evidence and expertise,</li><li>• group deliberation</li><li>• random sampling</li><li>• task clearly defined as a question that is linked to a public problem,</li><li>• participants have time to come to the decision</li><li>• voting/deciding at the end,</li><li>• a component of broader stakeholder participation</li></ul>



# Citizens' assembly in Trnava, Slovakia

Duration of the process	June 2022
Location of the process	Trnava, Slovakia
Coordinators of the process	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• city Trnava,</li><li>• civic association Človek za klímu,</li><li>• civic association PDCS, o. z.</li></ul>
Who commissioned the process?	organised in partnership with the authorities, initiated by Človek za klímu
Who was in charge of setting the remit (topic) of the process?	the theme of the civic assembly was defined in the preparatory phase by the representatives of the city of Trnava
Number of participants	30
Principles for deliberative processes	access to a wide range of accurate, relevant, and accessible evidence and expertise, group deliberation that entails finding common ground, random sampling, task clearly defined as a question that is linked to a public problem, voting/deciding at the end, component of broader stakeholder participation

# Citizens' assembly in Belgrade, Serbia

Duration of the process	November 2020
Location of the process	Belgrade, Serbia
Coordinators of the process	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• European Jean Monnet Network ACT WB - Active Citizenship in the Western Balkans</li><li>• Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory at the University of Belgrade</li><li>• Belgrade Fund for Political Excellence</li><li>• U.S. Embassy in Belgrade</li></ul>
Who commissioned the process?	a bottom-up approach; no authorities' involvement
Who was in charge of setting the remit (topic) of the process?	European Jean Monnet Network ACT WB - Active Citizenship in the Western Balkans Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory at the University of Belgrade
Number of participants	32
Principles for deliberative processes	access to a wide range of accurate, relevant, and accessible evidence and expertise, group deliberation that entails finding common ground, random sampling, task clearly defined as a question that is linked to a public problem, voting/deciding at the end