

Participatory Budgeting Center of the Financial Research Institute









About us

The Participatory Budgeting Center is engaged in research and educational work in the field of participatory budgeting in Russia and in the field of citizen engagement in budget processes abroad. The project participates in the project "Development of participatory budgeting in the regions of the Russian Federation in 2018-2020", under the agreement between the Ministry of Finance of Russia and the World Bank. We work with expert organizations, government and media.

Activities:

1. Research on the topic of citizens' participation in budgetary decisions
2. Monitoring the implementation of participatory budgeting programs and practices in Russia
3. Preparation of concepts, strategies, programs and other strategic documents on development of participatory budgeting at federal, regional and municipal levels.
4. Organization of information and educational events with the purposes of popularization of citizens' participation
5. Training of counselors, organization of educational courses

Executed works of the Center

The client	Logo	The topic	The description	Year
1. The Ministry of Finance of Russia		Research of Russian and foreign practices of citizens engagement in budget processes, analysis of methodological tools of participatory and extra-budgeting	The best practices were analyzed, proposals to support the participation of citizens in the budget processes were prepared	2015
2. The Ministry of Finance of Russia		Identification of factors, opportunities and limitations for the launch and regulation of participatory budgeting in the regions of the Russian Federation	Challenges, political-administrative, economic, social and institutional factors of development of participatory budgeting were identified	2016
3. ISR of the Republic of Bashkortostan		Development of participatory financing mechanisms of public infrastructure in the Republic of Bashkortostan, taking into account foreign and Russian experience	The analysis of the Russian and foreign experience was carried out, the mechanisms of involvement of citizens in the development of public infrastructure in the Republic of Bashkortostan were developed	2016
4. The Ministry of Finance of Russia		Methodology of evaluation of programs and practices of participatory budgeting in the regions of the Russian Federation	The methodology for the integrated assessment of practices and programs for the development of participatory budgeting was developed	2017
5. St. Petersburg Committee of Finance		Implementation of measures to involve citizen of St. Petersburg in the budget process through the use of participatory budgeting practices	The accompanying documentation, the schedule of implementation and evaluation of the effectiveness of the practice were prepared, recruitment of members of the budget commissions, trainings for citizens, selection of projects were organized	2017
6. The Ministry of Finance of Russia		Development of programs and practices of participatory budgeting in the regions of the Russian Federation	Monitoring and comprehensive evaluation of programs and practices of the development of participatory budgeting in regions were carried out	2018
7. The Ministry of Finance of Russia		Integration of budget literacy and initiative budgeting within the processes of citizen involvement in budget decisions	The existing experience was analyzed, a set of measures for the integration of budget literacy and participatory budgeting were developed	2018
8. The Ministry of the Economy and Finance of Moscow region		Provision of consulting services for the development of documentation for the involvement of citizens of the Moscow region in projects based on the practices of participatory budgeting	The program of development of participatory budgeting in the Moscow region was developed	2018

Work for the Ministry of Finance of Russia

- Analysis and systematization of Russian and foreign experience of citizen engagement in budget processes
- Analysis of Russian and international experience in evaluation of programs and practices of citizens' participation in budget decisions
- Preparation of the library of the best practices of participatory budgeting
- Monitoring of implementation of participatory budgeting in the regions of the Russian Federation
- Analysis of the experience of the regions of Russian Federation regarding the implementation of measures to improve budget literacy of certain groups of citizens participating in the participatory budgeting practices
- Preparation of the concept of development and regulation of participatory budgeting in the Russian Federation
- Preparation of the strategy of education of representatives of regional and municipal levels of government in tools for involving citizens in budget process
- Development of a methodology for rating the participatory budgeting practices in the regions of the Russian Federation

Main partners and customers

Government bodies

- The Ministry of Finance of Russia
- Federation Council of Russia
- State Duma

Other companies and organisations

- The Civic Initiatives Committee
- The Russian Union of Industrialists and Entrepreneurs
- Project Team 8

Academia and expert organizations

- Higher School of Economics
- European University at St.Petersburg
- Expert Institute of Social Studies

International cooperation

- The World Bank
- UN-Habitat
- IOPD

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