OpenGovernment and ICT's for new models of governance in the Mediterranean

Priority 4  Promotion of cultural dialogue and local governance

Measure 4.3  Improvement of the governance processes at local level
Project in brief

The processes for the improvement of governance are very varied due to the different territorial situations existing in the Mediterranean area. Nevertheless there is a common need across the region, namely that of encouraging citizens’ participation in public affairs and making them part of local development. The application of new technologies to these processes is fundamental, as it allows the quality of life of citizens to be improved through information which is open and available to all. This in turn allows for equality of opportunity and non-discriminatory relationships between governments and citizens.

With this in mind, OPENWIND aims to promote new models of government on both sides of the Mediterranean in order to guarantee citizens’ participation and integration in public decision-making through the use of new technologies.

Beneficiary

Provincial Government of Málaga - European projects department (Spain, Andalucía)

Partnership

1. Nicosia Development Agency - ANEL (Cyprus)
2. Gouvernorate of Monastir (Tunisia, Monastir)
3. University of Sfax (Tunisia, Sfax)
4. Union of Municipalities of Iqleem El Tufah (Lebanon)
5. Al Quds University (Palestine)

Specific objectives

• To exchange experiences on the implementation process of telematic services for citizens in the Mediterranean area
• To provide a better quality of public services through ICTs
• To encourage the use of e-Government for citizens as a means of communication between citizens and government
**Expected results**
- Common model, methods and techniques for e-Governance and Open Government developed
- Training and capacity building in e-Governance and Open Government dedicated to over 350 staff of concerned institutions
- At least 6 electronic services created including telematic tax services, university e-learning and e-administration services, e-government platform, etc.
- Closer relationship between governments and the population with 20% increase in citizens’ participation in telematic procedures and 10% increase in procedures or requests made by citizens

**Main activities**
- Identification and analysis of existing good practices concerning e-Governance and Open Government at Mediterranean level
- Production of a digital guide under the title “New methods and techniques of Governance and Open Government”
- Training and capacity building initiatives on e-government dedicated to 380 staff/elected officials of local authorities and universities
- Information and awareness events addressing 740 citizens in order to highlight the benefits of e-government
- Development of an OPENWIND Open Government experiences pack

**Target groups**
- Local authorities and their technical staff
- Elected officials
- University staff (professors, engineers, experts)
- Local associations and NGOs

**Final beneficiaries**
- Citizens
- Public authorities
- Students
Duration
24 months (December 2013 - December 2015)

Budget
• Total budget: € 1.759.670
• Programme contribution: € 1.583.703 (90%)
• Project co-financing: € 175.967 (10%)

Website
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