HOW TO ASSESS AND SUPPORT **CIVIC SPACE FOR PARTICIPATION** IN CLIMATE POLICIES?

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In the project "Strengthening civil society in the development and implementation of national climate policies", the Independent Institute for Environmental Issues (UfU e.V.) and Friends of the Earth Germany (BUND) analyse in different studies how civil society is involved in setting climate policies at the national level.

About the studies:

Five key dimensions form the methodological framework of analysing civic space in climate policies. Altogether they make up five fingers (see below). Different case studies inquire the specific framework for participation in each country as well as identify barriers and examples of good practice. Based on the results, the project team formulate concrete recommendations on how to secure and expand civic spaces in climate policy.

Continous governance

- Governance structures and financial resources that support civic participation
- Institutional cooperation and coordination

Enabling capacity building

- Education and awareness raising on public participation
- Capacity building on participation inside administration, governmental institutions and CSOs

Supporting

governance

& structures

Inclusive and transparent participation processes

- Timely and broad invitation
- Adequate facilitation formats
- Early participation with impact on process and result
- Transparent access to information and documentation
- Due account of recommendations by civil society

For good practices from Brazil, Chile, France, Ireland, the Netherlands and Peru see:

Coherent frameworks

- Commitment to international conventions like the Aarhus Convention and the Escazú-Agreement
- Provisions in national laws for timely, proactive and effective participation



Enabling

legislation

Safe spaces

- Stability and peace
- Anti-corruption and transparency
- Security of environmental defenders

Qualitative participation process

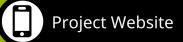
Capacity

building



You can find all further information on the project and the complete studies under: https://www.ufu.de /en/projekt/zivikli/







COMING UP SOON:

Report on civic space in climate policies in Argentina, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Moldova and Ukraine







