

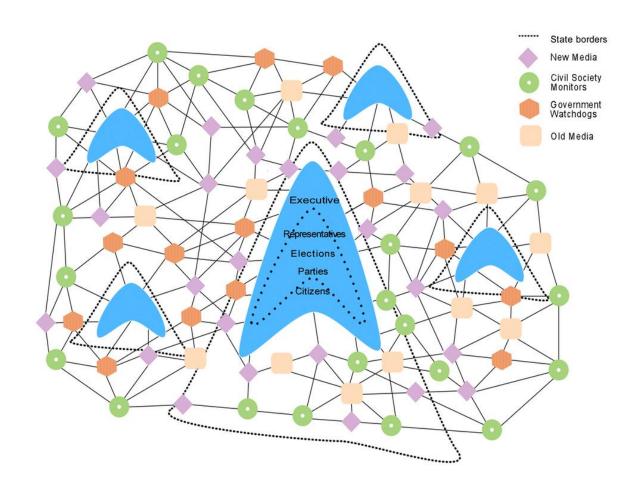


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In post-representative politics



They live together:

Criative activism
Network logics
Monitorial democracy

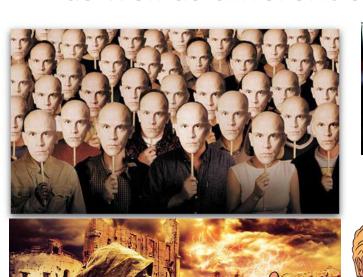
- Practices of lobbying
- Tools of Democratic Innovation (deliberative polls, citizen juries, PBs, etc.)

Source: Keane (2013)

Any DEMOCRATIC INNOVATION tends to work inside an ECOSYSTEM where forms of PARTICIPATION BY IRRUPTION and BY INVITATION



PB was a son of its times, and must face a growing complexity as well as different challenges and forms of mistrust.







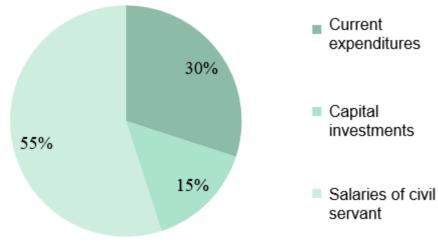






Putting MONEY in the first STEP can create enabling environment to

produce new resources



It can help to find solutions for the principle that sees the growth of investments as a multiplier of current expenditures that suffocate new investments...

A TYPICAL TREND

maintenance

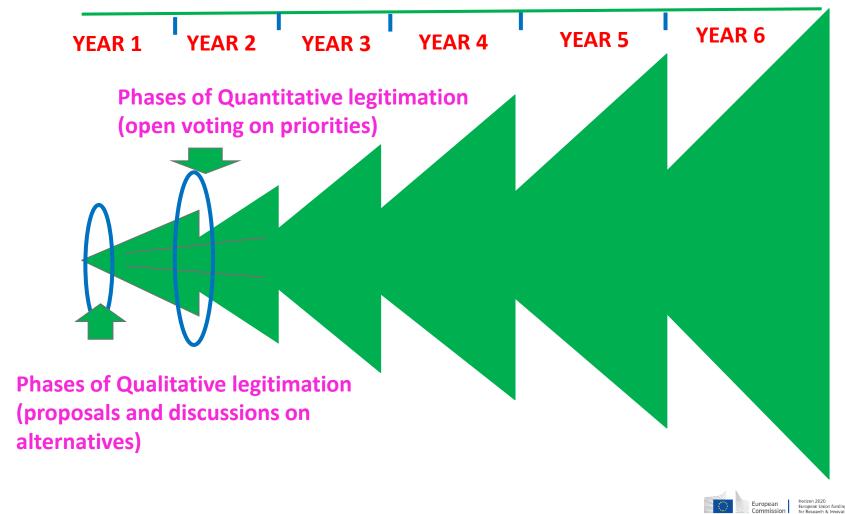
New investments

YEAR 1 YEAR 2 YEAR 3 YEAR 4 YEAR 5 YEAR 6

If we work on "general territorial wealth" and not just to classic budgets, we can find fresh resources...
(discussing about taxes, PPP partnerships, planning compensations, crowdfunding and social currencies) – THE CASE OF GROTTAMMARE



PBs is a CYCLYC POLICY, because it operates in annual (and repeated) CYCLES, with different phases that privilege the quality and/or the quantity of participants, and generate sociocultural and relational capital...





Possibly, the most important dimension of PB is the pedagogic one (that can range out the mainstream neoliberal dimension of politics and explore alternatives). In this sense PB could be a revolution, even if through a reformistic and incremental approach...





Some main needs of PB (lesson learnt from the past)

1) Better define its goals locally, and provide coherent tools and methodologies





SOME EFFECTS CANNOT BE OBTAINED IF THEY ARE NOT

PURSUED....



Example s from Senegal and Ecuador

For example, social inclusion of minorities and vulnerable groups need to challenge structural inequalities and self-censorship with specific tools.

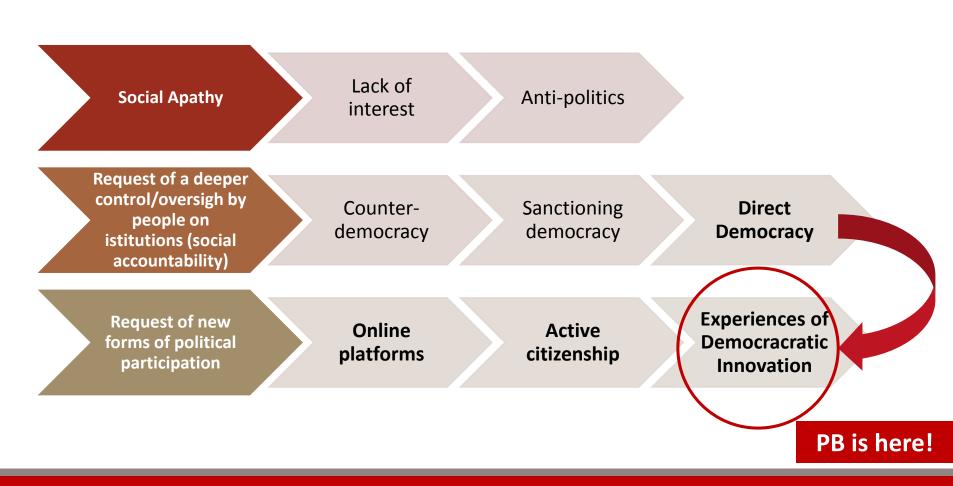




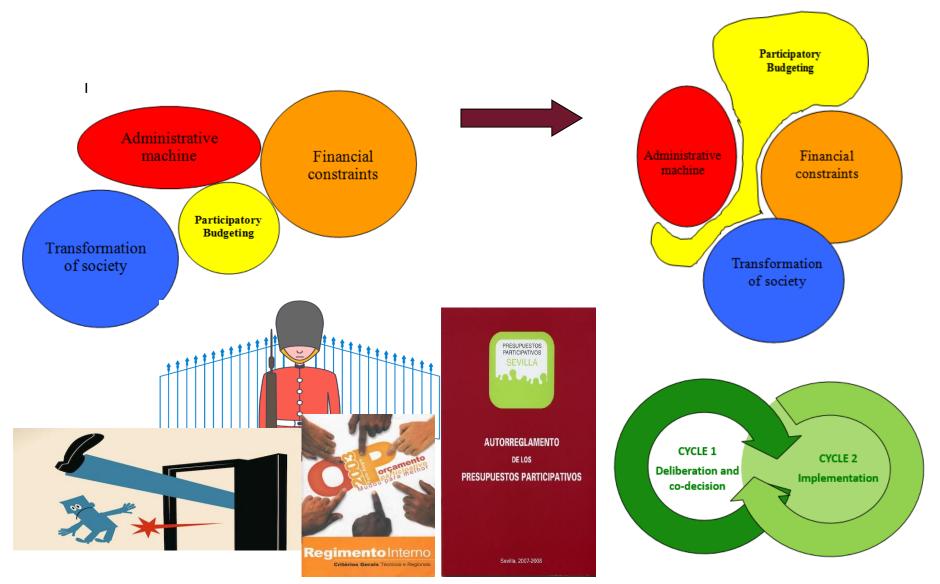
Inclusive methodologies tend today to substitute "huge assemblies" with complex organized spaces where each individual can feel at ease to speak and propose...



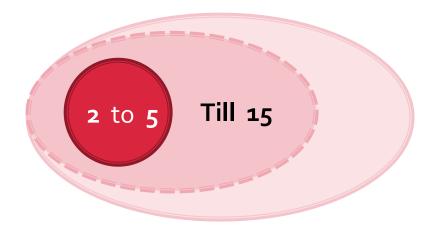
2) PB needs to find a dialogue (based on mutual recognition) with other answers that citizens and institutions create to the legitimacy crisis of representative democracy



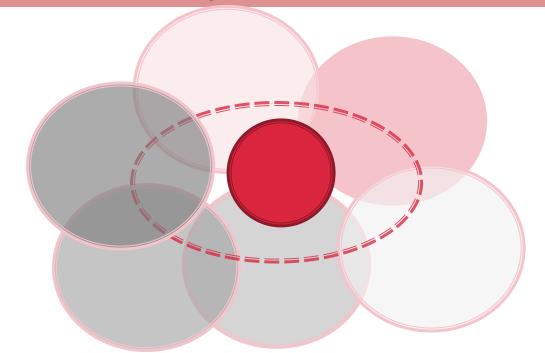
3) PB NEEDS TO BET ON INCREMENTAL APPROACHES, in order to guarantee resilience, and strengthen the chain of reconstruction of trust in institutions through reducing gatekeepers...







For this to happen, PBs needs to stimulate a reorganization of the institutional machine and of back-office personnel – requiring training and careful monitoring...



That's why the city that host us today is a good example to take as a reference...



PB 2011 - 2015



THE CASE OF CASCAIS (Portugal) - STRONG COMMITMENT ON IMPLEMENTATION and INCREASING RESOURCES (from 1,5 million euro to 5), MONITORING COMMITTEES

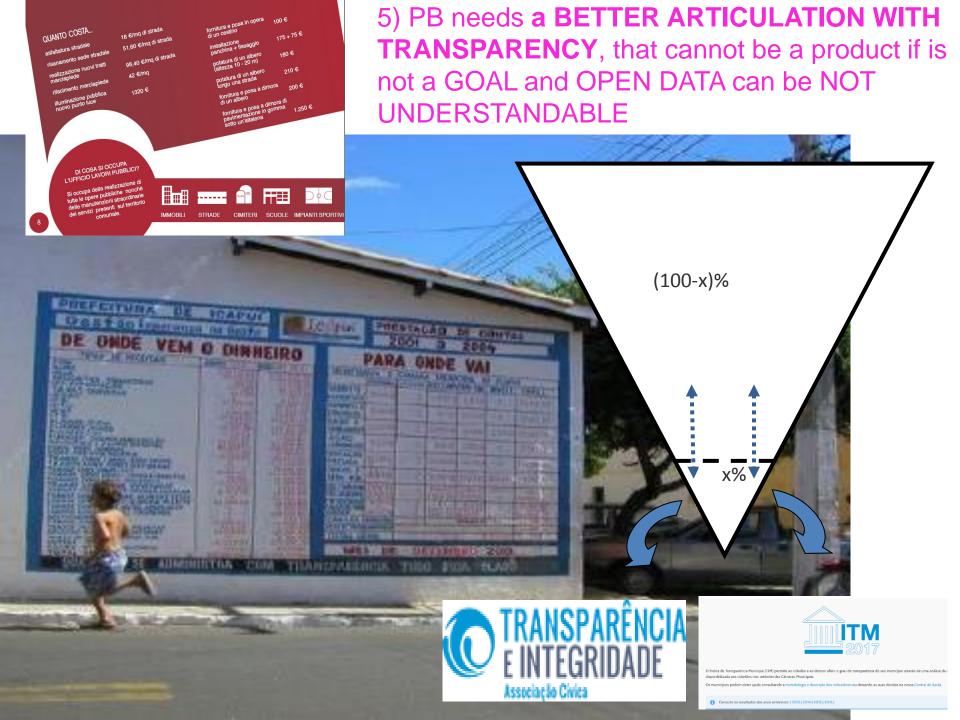
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CITY POINTS CASCAIS



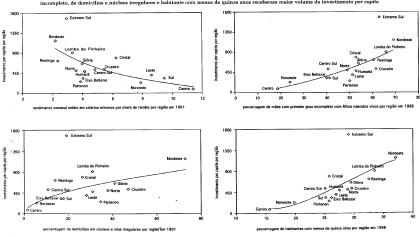


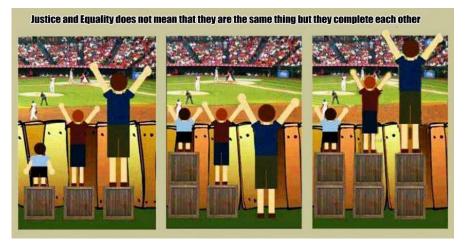


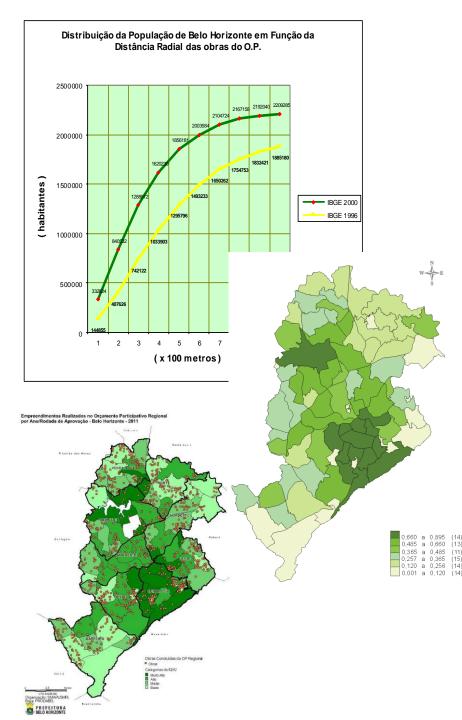


6) Finally, PB needs to better incorporate goals of REDISTRIBUTIVE JUSTICE to tackle inequalities and unfairness

Figure 2. O OP two un efeito redistributivo nos investimentos ratiizados ao longo período 1992-2000. As regiões com maior rendimento nominal médio por chefo de familia receberam menor montante de investimento per cogión. As regiões com maior percutagem de máse com primeiro grau incompleto, de donicidos e aúcleos tregulares e habitante com menor de quince enos receberam maior volume de investimento per capita







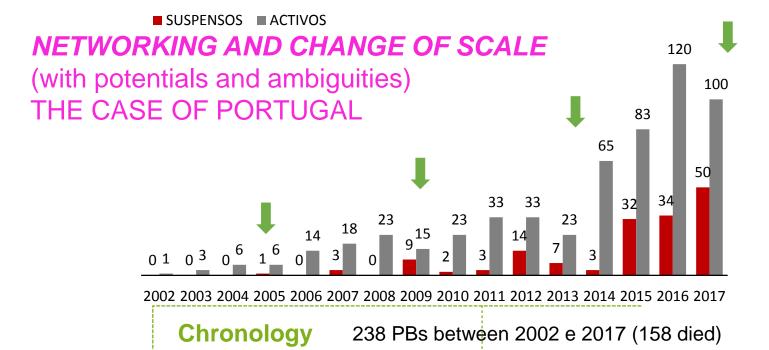
To be meaningful PBs must create new rights and being part of a larger "Right to the City"



These images relate to the reconstruction of a slum – and a battle about the right of poors to the Centre in the slums of Vila Planetario and Vila das Placas (Porto Alegre, 1991-1999)







PORTUGAL PARTICIPATORY
BUDGET

PARTICIPATORY BUDGET FOR SCHOOLS

YOUTH PARTICIPATORY
BUDGET







New unique experiments of outreach





Alfandega da Fé



Tomiño e Vila Nova da Cerveira



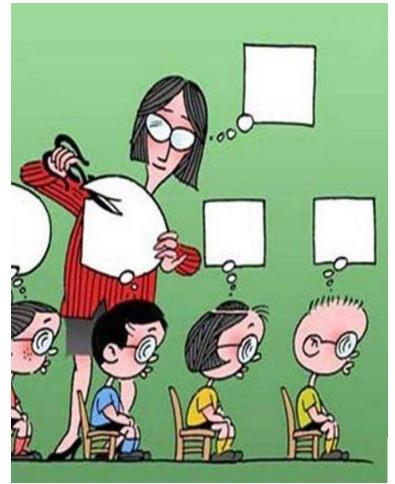
New experiments of CROSS SELLING



(To be central, PBs must be known, and recognized within the entire administration, as well as by the population)















Lot of training and the use of ART, and role-games are improving the quality of proposals by people (prefiguring outputs), and making the language of politics and the LAW more understandable...















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A cautious role of ICTS for involving who is not there

The natural and fast "irruption" of ICTs must be problematized:

BROUGHT MANY BENEFITS:

In terms of numbers of participants

Of timely responsiveness
Increase of control
Attractiveness for those who have no time for face-to-face meetings...

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Se propuesta 2009/3357 sobre arreglo de parque zona verde en C/Centaure está en curso Muchas gracias por su participación.

Ayuntamiento de Málaga

EMPHASIZED SOME PROBLEMs:

New exclusions (digital divide, different alphabetization)
Superficiality in the use and laziness in participation (click-activism)
Redundancy of proposals (and self-referenciality in voting)

HENCE, ICTs BROUGHT AMBIGUITIES:

In terms of conflict between channels (competition to attract participants and different – often clashing - philosophies)

... AND A POTENTIAL NOT TOTALLY EXPLOITED:

In terms of inclusion In terms of transparency In terms of responsiveness







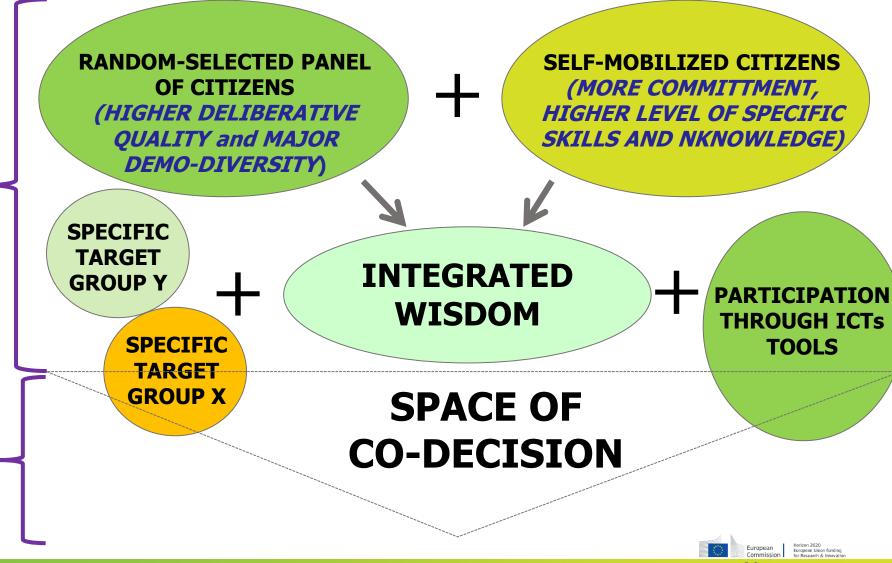


RETHINKING the dialogue between PB and COLLABORATIVE POLICIES (new partnerships and crowdfunding, especially for management and maintenance phases) and linking PB to PROJECT OF LOCAL DEVELOPMENT (cooperatives, small enterprises)



CISION SPACE

Increasing quality and *demodiversity* through "variable geometries" and "hybrid multichannel structures" that attract different people, and enrich quality of proposals



No..it needs to take the LEADERSHIP in systems connecting different multichannel processes

Ferramentas Colaborativas

Ferramentas de Concertação

Demandas Individuais

Ferramentas de Elaboração

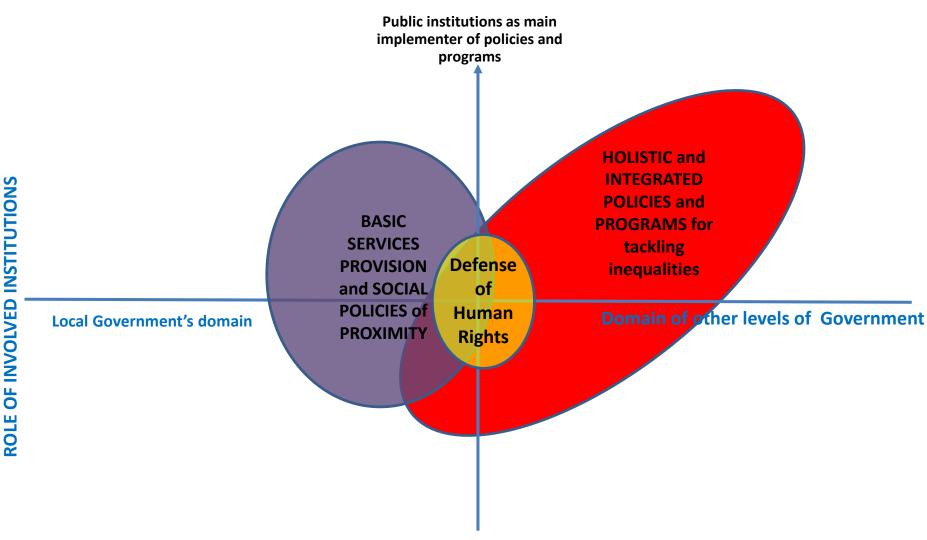
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With this changes, participation is changing role and location inside POLITIES

TERRITORIAL SCALE OF INVOLVED INSTITUTIONS



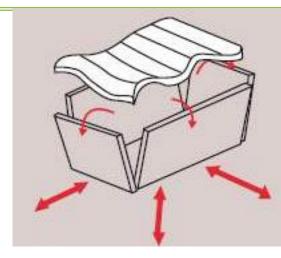
Public institutions as just a facilitator/promoter/coordinato r of policies and programs

The ultimate GOAL

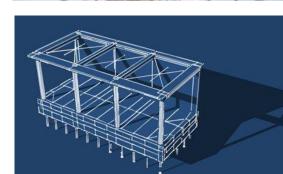
In reshaping PB within an ecosystem of other tools, and in a transcalar perspective, is that of contributing to shape part of an antiseismic cage...

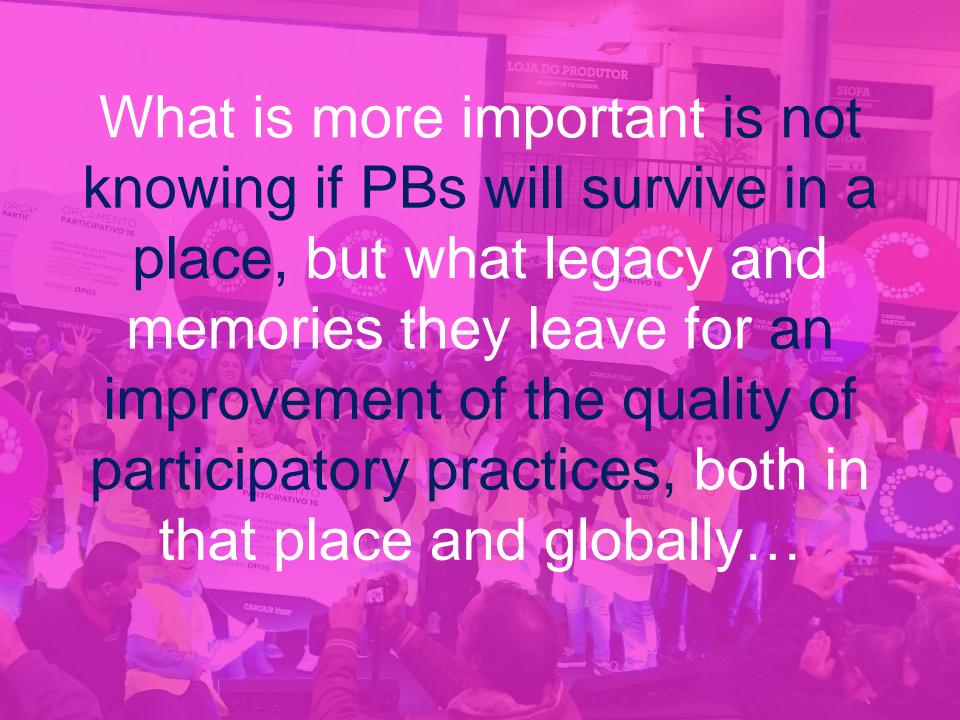
Reconstructing MUTUAL TRUST between citizens and institutions through ECOSYSTEMS OF PARTICIPATION with different channels of dialogue,

that together can foster an ECOLOGY OF KNOWLEDGES (de Sousa Santos, 2007)









While analysing PB, we must shift attention from DELIBERATIVE DEMOCRACIONAL DE LA CONTRACTION DELLA CONTRACTIO DELIBERATIVE approach to DEMOCRACY as a whole, also reimagining party structures and constitutionmaking through participation



Thanks a lot for your attention!

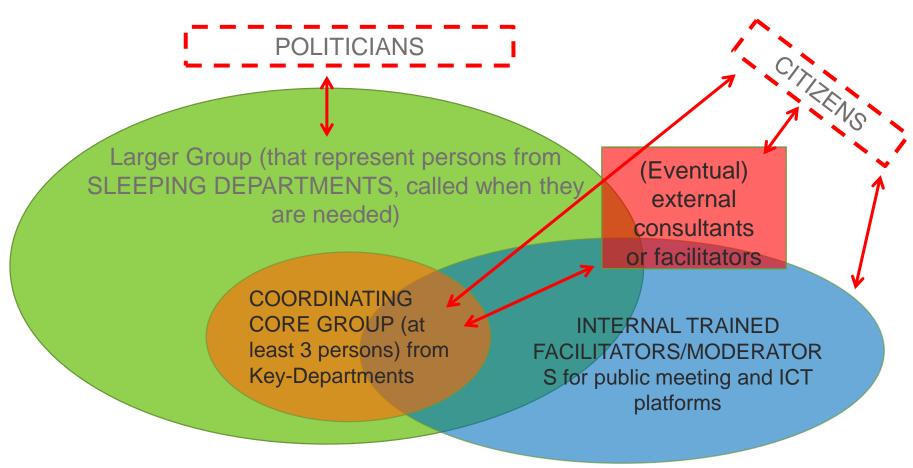
Questions are welcome!



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A better organization of back-offices is also needed, to make PB function



The PB Staff looks like a variable geometry of Departments, with FIX appointed persons in each one (possibly chosen on the base of voluntary candidatures) and a FIX CORE GROUP in charge of coordinating



