Welcome to PBbase – the international network for participatory budgeting

As more and more municipalities, NGOs and other organizations in democracy are getting to know participatory budgeting all over the world, some basic questions arise over the subject. What is participatory budgeting (PB)? How is it implemented? Who is it for? What are the best practices and challenges for its implementation and sustainability? An excellent place to start tackling these fundamental questions is the international **PBbase-network.**

The PBbase-network is set up by the EmPaci – Empowering Participatory Budgeting in the Baltic Sea Region -project. The network is open to all interested parties, and its aim is to share information and experiences regarding the implementation of PB in different local settings.

PBbase works mainly as a networking tool in bringing PB experts, municipalities and other interested parties together. The aim is to communicate easily and work as a database that offers easy and accessible information regarding planning, implementing and evaluating PB. Learning from others is a valuable experience and PBbase will happily provide people interested in PB an opportunity to share information and experiences.

Why should you join PBbase?

The international network offers unique access to data collected from already implemented participatory budgets. By joining the network, you also gain immeasurably valuable tips and lessons from other actors involved and interested in PB. The international aspect of PBbase also ensures that a variety of voices and cultures are represented, and multiple ways of implementing PB in different settings can be brought to light. You can join PBbase if you are implementing PB, planning on implementing it or just generally interested in the subject – everyone is warmly welcomed.

You can find information on PBbase events here: https://empaci.eu/index.php?id=124

A PBbase LinkedIn group for exchange with other members can be entered here: https://www.linkedin.com/groups/12564409/