



**Participatory Budgeting Center** 

**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                        |  |  | 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                         |  | _  | Challenges, political-administrative, economic, social and institutional factors of development of participatory budgeting were identified   | 2016 |
| 3. ISR of the Republic of Bashkortostan                     | MHCTUTYT<br>OTPATETHHERIXX<br>MCCHEQOBANIÑ<br>PECTIVETHIN<br>BANINOPTOCTAN | of public infrastructure in the Republic of  | 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<br>Committee of Finance                   | Kap  | Implementation of measures to involve citizen of St.   | 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

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

#### **International cooperation**

- The World Bank
- UN-Habitat
- IOPD



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