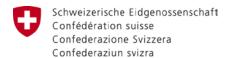
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FOSTERING CIVIC ENGAGEMENT IN ALBANIA



A civil gathering in Tirana, Albania. ©FDFA

Civic engagement in Albania is low. The relationship between citizens and local authorities is still not based on accountability, transparency and participation. Corruption is pervasive while checks and balances are weak and under utilised.

To this end, the LëvizAlbania Project aims to enhance local democracy by activating drivers of change such as media, civil society and citizen groups. Civic engagement and demand for accountability develop through a bottom-up and genuine process. LëvizAlbania enables civil society actors - including marginalised citizens - to have a voice, to exercise control over and engage in dialogue with local authorities thereby increasing the latter's responsiveness and accountability.

PROJECT OUTCOMES

- Increase the influence of civil actors in local priority setting, decision making, and oversight of local authorities
- 2) Establish mechanisms and factors that foster local democracy

THE PROJECT IN BRIEF

NAME

LëvizAlbania Project

THEME

Local governance / democratisation

COUNTRY

Albania

PARTNERS

Civil Society Organizations

Media

Associations

Citizens

Local Government Units

PROJECT OBJECTIVE

To enhance democracy at local level by supporting different drivers of change.

TARGET GROUPS

Local communities Citizens

PHASE DURATION

October 2013 - September 2018

PHASE BUDGET

CHF 6'600'000

FUNDING

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