



Public consultation as the most innovative approach to a sustainable Public-Private Dialogue -The Macedonian experience-

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- ✓ Public-Private Dialogue as a process
- ✓ Why does Macedonia need a PPD system ?
- ✓ What are the stakeholders ?
- ✓ What is the situation in Macedonia now and what
- challenges do we face in the immediate future?
- ✓ What is the role of the National Entrepreneurship and
- Competitiveness Council and how does it cooperate with
- the Government?



The first precondition for sustainable PPD is trust, and it is not easy to achieve or maintain. It requires all parties to have the necessary knowledge and resources with continuous commitment.

At the National Entrepreneurship and Competitiveness Council we work with the main stakeholders.

- 1. We educate the business associations and chambers on how to create policies for the needs of the business sector, based on RIA and evidence-based research data,
- 2. We educate the business, the civil and the public sector on their role in the public consultation process, through the ENER, with the Ministry of information society and administration
- 3. We cooperate with the civil sector organization monitoring the process and evaluate the progress on annual basis and give improvement proposals to the Government



As result of the engagement of NECC and the introduction of the ENER portal, we feel safe to say that today, six years later, the trust among the main PPD counterparts has been restored.

The use of ENER as a public consultation mechanism increased by 10 times in 2014 compared to 2012, with a continuous rising tendency...

How did we manage this?

We developed a simple and easily accessible web-solution, which provides maximum inclusion and transparency. Gordana from the public sector will explain more about why businesses and civil organizations trust the government more...



One of the key strategic priorities of the Government of the Republic of Macedonia, remains increasing economic growth and competitiveness in the long run, higher employment rate, increase of the living standards and quality of life.

In same time the Government is <u>dedicated to effective consultation</u> with the stakeholders and more precisely, consultation which are clearly and effectively directed towards those affected by the regulation and measures.

Effective consultation contributes to

the <u>identification and gathering of useful information</u> which the Government <u>further uses to draft good quality and effective regulations</u> and to <u>make</u> <u>decisions based upon adequate information</u>. This in turn provides for the improvement of the provision of public services and increasing the accountability of the public institutions.

Public <u>consultation</u> is one of the <u>main regulatory tools</u> used to improve the transparency, efficiency and effectiveness of regulations and it is used along with other tools such as the <u>Regulatory Impact</u> <u>Assessment (RIA)</u>, alternative regulatory solutions and enable improvement of the responsibility and accountability of the public institutions.

Law on Organization and Operation of the State Administration

Rules of procedure of the Government of the Republic of Macedonia

Regulatory Impact Assessment Methodology

Guidelines on Ministerial Procedures in the Process of Application of the Regulatory Impact Assessment

Decision on the format and the content of the regulatory impact assessment report

TOOLS FOR CONSULTATION/PARTICIPATION



Publication of the proposed regulation on the web sites of relevant ministries



Publication of the proposed regulation on SNER



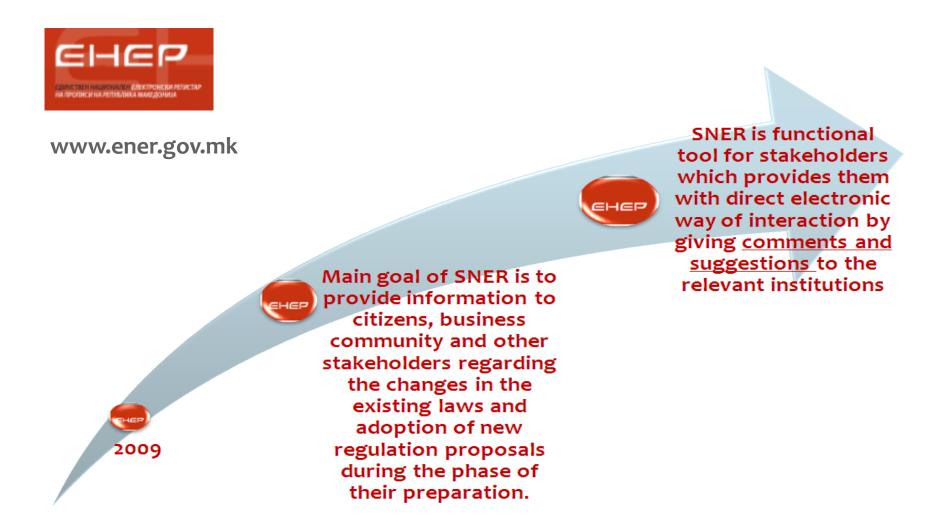
Publication of strategic documents on the web portal e- democracy

The Single National Electronic Registry of regulations (www.ener.gov.mk) is an electronic system that, apart from existing regulations, also contains draft laws of ministries in their preparation stage.

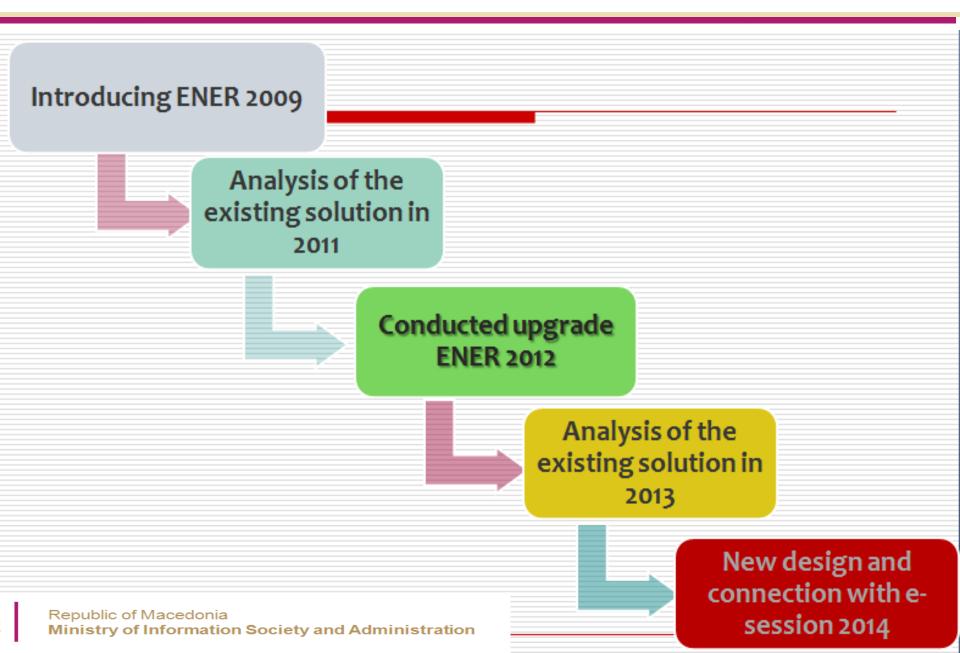
The ENER is a functional tool enabling all stakeholders to submit electronically their comments and proposals directly to the competent institutions.

Ministry of Information Society and Administration on behalf of the Government manages the ENER and all ministries regularly update and publish draft laws, bylaws, consolidated texts of laws and documents arising from the RIA process.

THE PURPOSE OF THE REGISTRY



TIMELINE.....



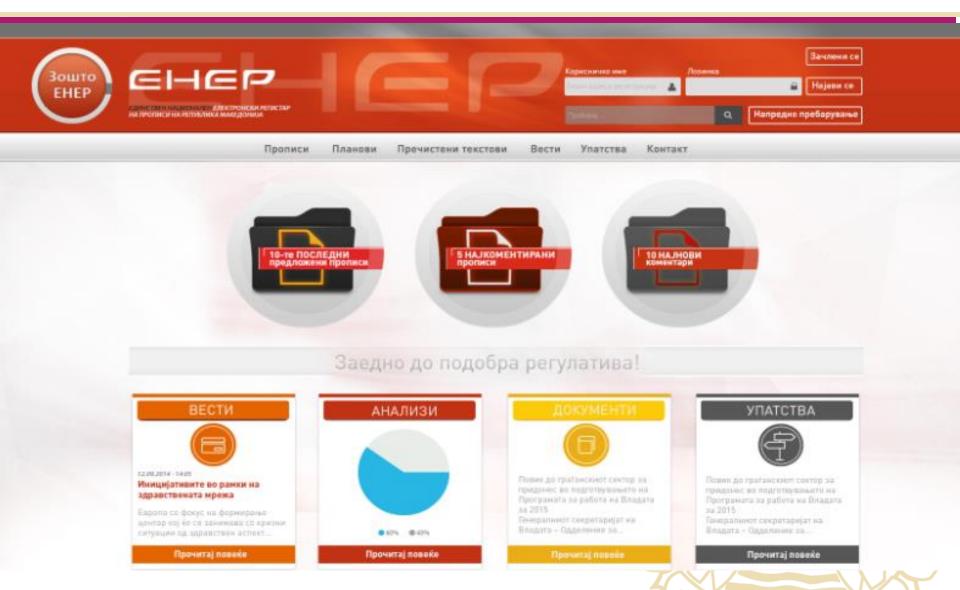
Simplicity- automatic registration without conditions and approval

Clarity - choice of area of interest / institution / legal area

Diligency - users receive automatic notifications of new regulations, documents, comments, questions

Consultation - users have the opportunity to give their comments and views on the proposed regulation





✓ modern design

✓ free-of-charge and direct active involvement for any company, media house or citizen, in the complete legislative process

✓ integration with system for collaboration - e-Government session

 ✓ systematization of regulations according to the categorization used by Official Gazette

✓ configured period of the automatic comment publication

date and time of start and end of the consultation process

✓ automatic publication of the Announcement of the start of the preparation process for the proposed legislation, announcements of public hearings on the draft laws and Annual plans for application of the RIA

✓ rules and conditions for the use of ENER



ENER is a partnership platform of the complete business community, including the chambers of commerce, business institutions, clusters and academic institutions as well as each and every manager and employee of the companies, as well as the civil society and the general public as a legitimate stakeholder in the process.

This approach significantly improves mutual trust and helps build a national consensus on different issues, which is very important for the legislation to achieve its aim and purpose.



Achieving good regulation is a big challenge, a demanding and never ending task.

However, the results require systemic governance framework that can provide continuous improvement of the regulation quality.





Links:

www.ener.gov.mk

www.mioa.gov.mk

http://mioa.gov.mk/files/pdf/Akti_PVR_1en.pdf

http://www.necc.mk/





Thank you for your attention!

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