COURSE DESCRIPTION

Title of the course:	PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS - REDEFINING DEMOCRACY
Lecture hours:	15
Study period: (summer/winter semester)	summer or winter semester
Number of credits:	4
Assessment methods:	discussion, essay, case study, workshops essay: • How public consultation may (can) improve democracy in your country? • 5 000 – 10 000 characters (up to 5 pages)
Language of instruction:	ENGLISH
Prerequisites:	English B1 Interest in the subject
Course content:	 A brief introduction to the history of democracy. Democracy in post-modern societies - basic concepts and definitions. Public consultations - basic concepts and definitions. Public consultation tools and techniques. Planning the public consultation process (scope, purpose, actors, context, outputs and outcomes). Information campaign tools and techniques. Good practices.
Learning outcomes:	By the end of this course, student should be able to: 1) describe the basic concepts of public consultations, 2) describe the sociological methods, techniques and tools used in public consultations, 3) describe the prcoess of public consultation, 4) apply this process within interdisciplinary teams to social life, 5) know the ethical challenges and social responsibility pf public consultation.
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