

Multi-annual programme priorities

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PROVIDUS experience

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Things to keep in mind: content, audience,
channels

PROVIDUS experience: projects

"Learning to welcome: immigrant integration in Latvia and Poland",
2007-2008

Goal: Analysing Latvian and Polish legislation and policy documents influencing immigrant integration, comparing the situation to the experience of other EU countries.

What we did? Research and conferences in Latvia and Poland

Tangible result: publication – best-seller in Latvian-English and Polish-English

PROVIDUS experience: projects

"Shaping EU integration by being active at home: opportunities for civil society to influence EU decision making via national positions", 2012-2014

Goals:

1. Comparing the opportunities for NGOs to engage in shaping national positions on EU legislative and policy proposals in Latvia, Poland, the Czech Republic and other EU member states,
2. Enhancing the understanding among NGOs on opportunities to influence EU integration by being active at home,
3. Demonstrate the evidence-based added value of NGO engagement in EU integration.

What we did? Research, conferences in Latvia, Poland and the Czech Republic, visualisation

Tangible result:
Publication in Latvian, English, Polish and Czech Republic, visualisation in Latvian and English.



PROVIDUS experience: projects

"Future EU leaders academy", 2012

Leading partner: EUROPEUM

Goal: Using interactive and innovative methods to facilitate an in-depth understanding and debates on EU challenges: migration, budget, foreign relations, enlargement, energy security and climate change.

What we did? 6 leading public policy think tanks in European countries organized a summer academy for future EU leaders – NGO, public administration, private sector, academia and media from the Czech Republic, Poland, Spain, France, FYROM Macedonia and Latvia. Training, discussion and working groups.

Tangible results: Presentations, photos and videos from the event



**FUTURE EU
LEADERS' ACADEMY**
WHAT EUROPE IN 2020?

July 28 - August 4, 2012 - Prague, Czech Republic

PROVIDUS experience: projects

"Enlargement and citizenship: looking in the future", 2013-2014

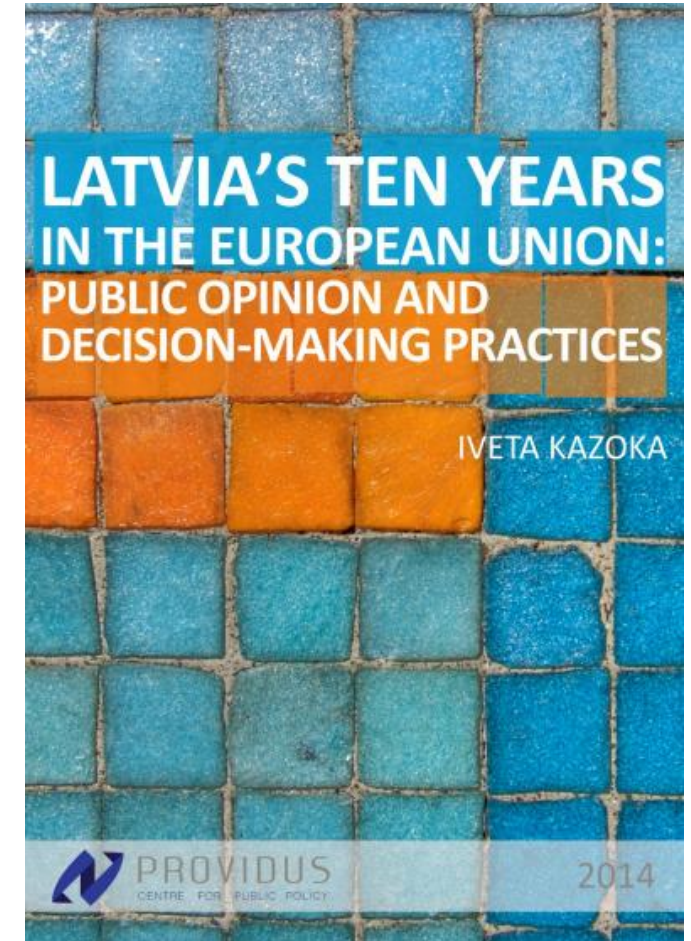
Leading partner: Policy Association for an Open Society

Goals:

1. Educate European citizens and NGO representatives on processes that enable the implementation of EU policy making and communication strategies on evidence-based decision making in the interests of EU citizens;
2. Enhance understanding in EU member states and candidate countries about citizen participation to ensure that the elected representatives and government officials fully engage in the EU decision making in the interests of EU citizens;
3. Strengthen citizen engagement in policy making processes before European Parliament elections in 2014.

What we did? Research on 11 EU member states' integration and engagement in EU decision making levels, including public opinion data on the 4 country's populations' knowledge about EU decision making and the representation of their national interests in the EU. Conferences and debates in Latvia, the Czech Republic, Bulgaria, Poland, Serbia and Montenegro.

Tangible results: Publications in Latvia, English, Czech, Polish and Serbian.



PROVIDUS experience: projects

"Enhancing participation of mobile citizens", 2015-2016

Goal: Enlarge knowledge about mobile EU citizens, focusing on Latvian, Lithuanian and Polish diaspora in Ireland – second most popular mobility destination for the people of these countries.

What we did?

1. Analysis of the existing political participation in Ireland of EU-13 citizens, identifying barriers and opportunities,

2. Enhancing understanding – directly working with Latvians, Lithuanians and the Polish in Ireland – on political participation (training of community leaders, shadowing pilot, leaflet, interactive test),

3. Preparing and presenting to EU policy makers a policy brief including proposals for the improvements in the engagement of EU-13 citizens in the policy making of EU-15 policies.

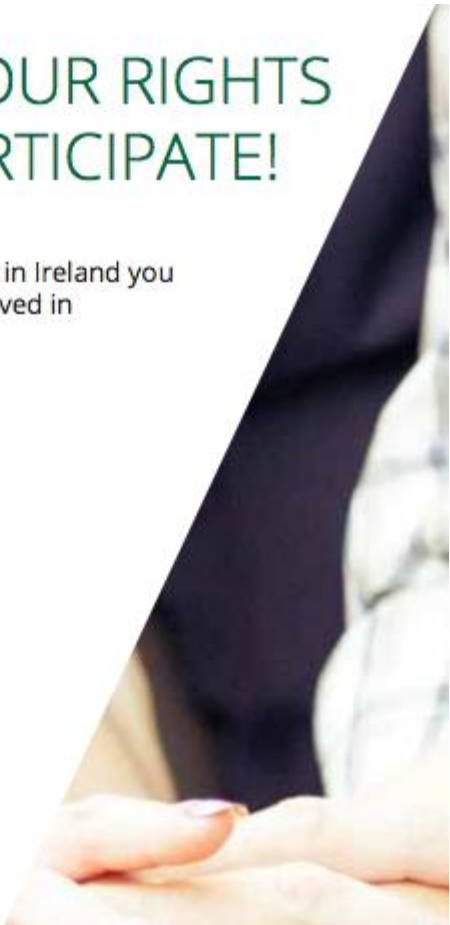
Research, leaflet, policy brief, training program, conferences, discussions in Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Ireland and Brussels.

Tangible results: Publications in English, Latvian, Polish and Lithuanian



USE YOUR RIGHTS TO PARTICIPATE!

As an EU citizen in Ireland you too can be involved in political life



GUESTS OR PARTICIPANTS?

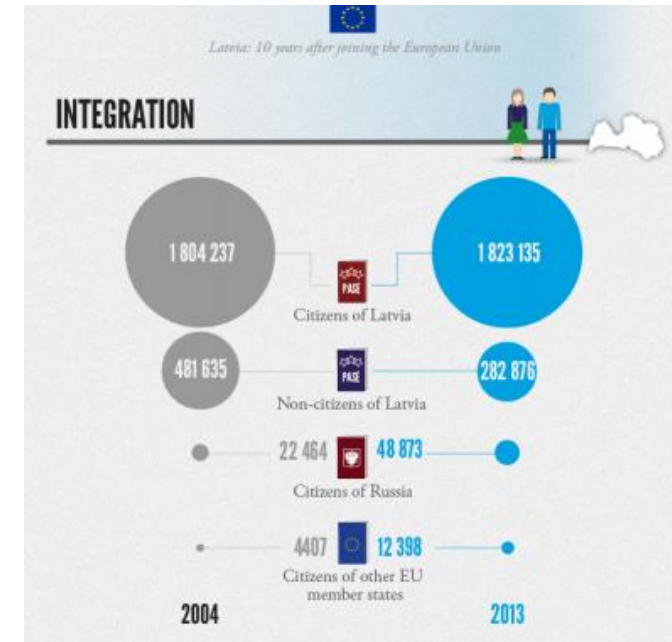
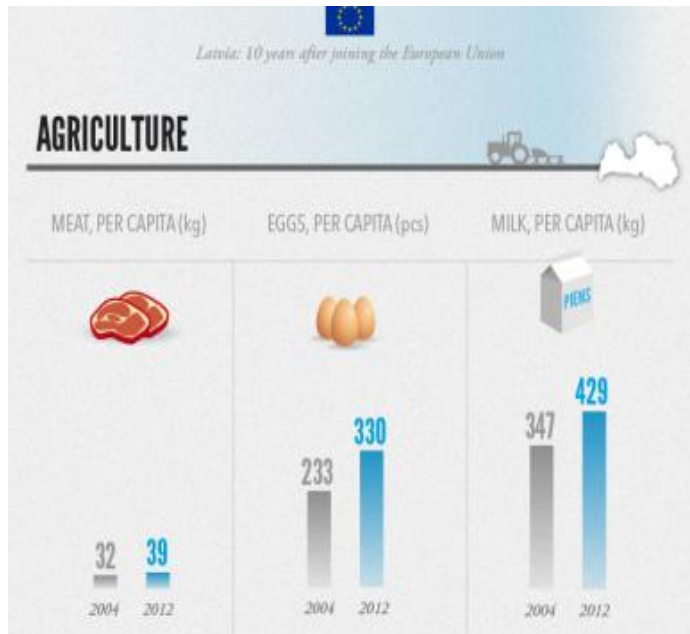
Political Participation of Mobile EU citizens in host countries as a need and a challenge.



PROVIDUS experience: operational grant

2010: one-year grant for 2011 (115 000 EUR)

2013: 4-year partnership agreement (grant for 2014-2017, 115 000 EUR annually)



Programme goals and priorities

THINGS TO KEEP IN MIND: CONTENT

1. Big facts of EU history (creation, enlargement, tectonic changes like Schengen, Euro, etc)
2. Local facts (100 years of Latvia, Estonian presidency, etc)
3. Elections in EU countries
4. Elections of European Parliament in 2019 leading to possible changes in European Commission and leadership of other EU institutions
5. Debates on the future of the EU
6. Global context – rise of fake populism, dissatisfaction of voters with politicians and policy outcomes (Brexit, Trump).

THINGS TO KEEP IN MIND: AUDIENCE

EU citizens from all walks of life – in Latvia including non-citizens, also legally residing third country nationals

1. Different ages
2. Gender equality – not artificial!
3. Different vocations
4. Different places of residence
5. Different education levels
6. Different levels of information about the EU
7. Different experiences of engaging in the EU (on all levels)
8. Different opinions about the EU

THINGS TO KEEP IN MIND: CHANNELS

1. Offline meetings
2. Online participation in the offline meetings
3. Existing channels – where people meet already! - instead of creation of new ones
4. Use and strengthen your value added in engaging concrete audiences in your activities
5. Use and strengthen your value added in working on these specific topics
6. Open up to cooperation with partners from other EU countries
7. Strengthen your self-confidence: we have a voice in these topics!

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