The PACITA project

Parliaments and Civil Society in Technology Assessment

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Overall aims

- Increase European PTA capacity
- Enhance the institutional foundation for knowledge-based policy-making
- Build on diversity of practices in PTA
- Key practices in focus are "interactive"
 - Engaging experts, stakeholders, citizens, politicians directly in the work
- Develop and test modes for trans-national and European interactive TA

Parliaments and Civil Society in technology Assessment

- 15 partners from 14 European countries
- Cooperation of experienced PTA institutions with partners from European countries with no TA infrastructures so far
- 2011 2014
- FP7 funds: 5 Mio. €



The Partners

- Danish Board of Technology (Denmark)
- Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (Germany)
- The Rathenau Institute (Netherlands)
- Norwegian Board of Technology (Norway)
- The Institute of Technology Assessment (Austria)
- Applied Research and Communications Fund (Bulgaria)
- Institute of Technology of Biology and Chemistry (Portugal)
- Institute Society and Technology (Flanders, Belgium)
- Catalan Institution Foundation for Research Support (Catalonia, Spain)
- Swiss Centre for Technology Assessment (Switzerland)
- Knowledge Economy Forum (Lithuania)
- Technology Centre ASCR (Czech Republic)
- University of Liège, SPIRAL Research Centre (Wallonia, Belgium)
- University College Cork (Ireland)
- Hungarian Academy of Sciences (Hungary).



















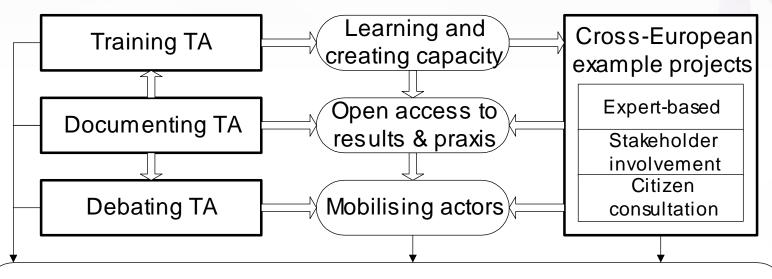








The PACITA action plan



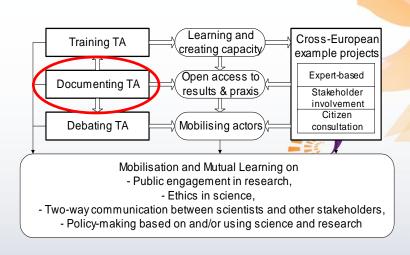
Mobilisation and Mutual Learning on

- Public engagement in research,
 - Ethics in science,
- Two-way communication between scientists and other stakeholders,
 - Policy-making based on and/or using science and research



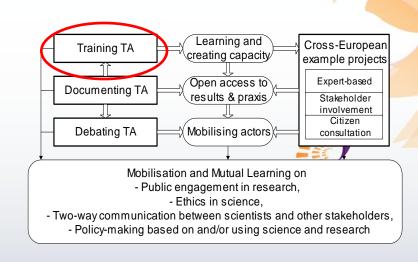
Documenting TA

- Existing praxis in PTA institutions described by partner pairs (PTA+non-PTA partner)
- Potential work modes for cross-European PTA developed/described
- TA Book



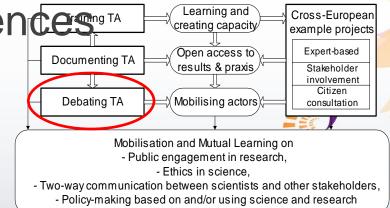
Training TA

- 2 Summer Schools for users and actors
- 4 Practitioners' Meetings thematic
 - Scoping and framing
 - Methodology
 - Networking and impact creation
 - Communication
- TA Portal
 - TA web-mining
 - Training materials
 - Web 2.0 facilities



Debating TA

- Expanding the TA landscape
 - Non-PTA countries analysis
 - Debates in the non-PTA countries (partner pairs)
- 2 Parliamentary Debates
 - EU 27 and beyond Relevant committees
 - 1: Documenting TA
 - 2: Expanding landscape
- 2 European TA Conferences
- 8 issues of TA
 Newsletter/magazine

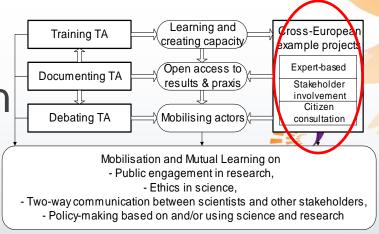


3 cross-European example projects

- European coordinated and synthesized, based upon subactivities at national/regional level
- Expert based: Public Health Genomics
- Stakeholder involvement:

Ageing Society Telecare

Citizen consultation:
 Sustainable Consumption



APG – Associated Partner Group

- PACITA contract defines consortium
- However, need to include existing PTA and new interested countries
- APG gives opportunity to take part in the work, being outside the consortium
- APG is an opening towards cooperation, networking, mutual learning...



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