



## Workshops to explore the impact of Citizens' Assemblies on policy

**These workshops will be of interest to anyone that is trying to understand or work through the challenge of ensuring that citizens' assemblies have impact on policy. They are aimed at people with knowledge and experience of policy making.**

**Please see workshop descriptions and registration details on the next page**

TPXimpact is working with the Knowledge Network on Climate Assemblies (KNOCA) to bring together a small group of people from across Europe to explore the impact of Citizens' Assemblies on policy.

Through a series of three facilitated online workshops, we'll come together to explore opportunities and challenges, collaboratively developing our understanding of different approaches to connecting assemblies with policy and new ways of working.

Following the workshops, we will develop practical guidance for policy officials that will aid understanding of how climate assemblies (and other forms of deliberative process) can have an impact. We will also highlight areas for further exploration, which will help to build our collective knowledge on how to deliver climate assemblies that have impact.

**We want to be flexible, so there are two date options for each workshop and all are optional. You only need to select one date for each. If you are unable to attend a workshop but would like to give input and learn what was discussed, then please contact us and we can try to arrange a one to one meeting in the week that follows.**

This is part of a Knowledge Development Project exploring the impact of climate assemblies. Find out more: <https://knoqa.eu/knowledge-development-projects/>

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## **REGISTER TO ATTEND**

- Please register for each workshop using the links below
  - Workshops are aimed at people with knowledge and experience of policy making located anywhere in Europe. Your knowledge and experience can be at any level of governance (e.g. local, regional, national)
  - Workshops will be conducted in English
  - We will use [Zoom](#) to connect and [Miro](#) for mapping exercises during the workshop
  - You do not need specific experience in citizens' assemblies, but should have an interest in how participatory and deliberative processes can connect with and impact policy making. We are open to a range of experiences.
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### **Workshop One / Duration 1.5 hours**

#### **How policy and systems affect delivery of citizens' assemblies**

Wednesday 30 March, 4 to 5.30pm GMT / 17h to 18.30h CET / 18h to 19.30h EET. Register: <https://wearefuturegov.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEkc-qvqD4uGdc5AeEavoAiDBWq84zKxOxe>

Thursday 7 April, 9.30am to 11am GMT / 10.30h to 12.30h CET / 11.30h to 13h EET. Register: [https://wearefuturegov.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwkce2gqzOqE9yX4RcHc2W2IE\\_KFiUP6R7C](https://wearefuturegov.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwkce2gqzOqE9yX4RcHc2W2IE_KFiUP6R7C)

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In this workshop, we will briefly explore three stages of a citizens' assembly from the perspective of people that make policy.

We want to understand how assemblies can feed into the policy process and what support policy officials need to ensure they are useful. Through a case example of a climate focused assembly, we will explore the role of policy officials in:

- establishing a citizens' assembly
- how they are involved throughout the Assembly process, and
- considering and responding to Assembly recommendations.

We will use a mapping tool to capture the flow of a recommendation through the policy process and highlight key challenges for policy makers along the way. These will feed into workshop two for deeper exploration.

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## **Workshop Two / Duration 1.5 hours**

### **Deep dive into citizens' assemblies challenges and opportunities for policy**

Friday 8 April, 9.30am to 11am GMT / 10.30h to 12.30h CET / 11.30h to 13h EET. Register: <https://wearefuturegov.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYlc-Cprz4pHtBVtygHHZdw7Z5xLAnkvmTL>

Tuesday 12 April, 1pm to 2.30pm GMT / 14h to 15.30h CET / 15h to 16.30h EET. Register: <https://wearefuturegov.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUqf-GuqzkjEtOpavENYAUaJhbS9twkBGDH>

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In this workshop, we will explore some challenges that we have identified when trying to ensure that assemblies have an impact on policy. Participants will be able to bring challenges from their context too.

We will take a deeper dive into the causes and work together to ideate possible solutions and opportunities. This exercise will illuminate where further work is required.

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## **Workshop Three / Duration 1 hour 15 minutes**

### **Citizens' Assemblies longer term impact for policy and governance**

Thursday 14 April, 9.30am to 10.45am GMT / 10.30h to 11.45h CET / 11.30h to 12.45h EET  
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Tuesday 19 April, 1pm to 2.15pm GMT / 14h to 15.15h CET / 15h to 16.15h EET. Register: [https://wearefuturegov.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYlf-6vqjsiE9L99\\_Oz-abwwyC79DB7Ci8](https://wearefuturegov.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYlf-6vqjsiE9L99_Oz-abwwyC79DB7Ci8)

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In this workshop, we will briefly review some of the challenges and opportunities that we have identified in exploring how assemblies can impact policy.

We'll learn about places that have taken steps to 'institutionalise' deliberative approaches and discuss what lessons can be drawn for policy and governance.

Focusing on climate assemblies as a case example, we will spend some time on a rapid backcasting exercise to explore a vision for how climate assemblies (as a case example) can become a part of governance and how we might get there.