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TITLE & ABSTRACT

A look on the 30 years journey and some insights on the use of ICT

The participatory budget (PB) was created in Porto Alegre, Brazil in 1989 and, since the 1990s, has spread around the world thanks to the visibility given by the World Social Forum, based in the city, and the adoption of this practice by international organizations, such as the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), the United Nations (UN), the European Union (EU) and the World Bank (WB). Today, there are over 7000 current practices worldwide. From the vision of democratic radicalization to a simple mechanism for improving the productivity and transparency of government budget; from entirely face-to-face and manual processes to ICT-based participatory budgets, over these 30 years and in every corner of the world where it is in use, the PB has great differences and similarities and raises heated discussions among practitioners and scholars around its effectiveness, expansion or decay. This seminar will present a look on the 30 years journey in Porto Alegre and Brazil, the proliferation of experiences and visions around the world and some insights on the use of ICT.

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