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The Democratization of Urban Planning

The lack of democratic development in Serbia is very visible in the approach to shaping and developing city spaces. Urban policies are formulated and implemented in discrepancy with the needs and visions of citizens, but rather in accordance with the interests of the political and economic elite. In this context, citizens organize and form their initiatives mostly in reactive situations, but in recent years there has been a significant increase of those initiatives, as well as proactive actions, both in Belgrade and in other cities throughout Serbia. This presentation will give an overview of the participation processes in Belgrade, with an emphasis on the endeavours and experiences of the collective Ministry of Space which intensively works towards raising awareness on the citizens' participation in urban planning and in close collaboration with the local initiatives.