

SUMMARY OF THE PROJECT:

FOSTERING POLICY ANALYSIS AND PUBLIC DEBATE 3.0



PROJECT OBJECTIVE:

The project aims to strengthen the culture of informed public debate in the Republic of North Macedonia through deliberation on the emerging and intertwined issues – security, defense, economic stability and EU integration. The project is a follow up of our previous successful organization of deliberative polling events in the country and our ongoing project, both supported by NED and in cooperation with the Centre for Deliberative Democracy from Stanford University.



DONOR:

National Endowment for Democracy



PROJECT DURATION:

1.10.2022 – 30.09.2024



BUDGET: \$ 110,000



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SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT:

- ✓ Increasing the involvement of all stakeholders and citizens' participation in contributing to the national reforms concerning the emerging issues around security, defense, and economic stability;
- ✓ Providing structured input on the advancement of the national reform processes through participative approach involving the general public, representatives of national institutions, CSOs, media, political parties and other relevant stakeholders to the defined areas with the deliberative polling;
- ✓ Raising awareness of all stakeholders in the process (citizens, experts, politicians) for the importance of public, inclusive and objective discussion on security, defense, economic stability and OSCE chairmanship priorities and the strategic orientation of the country regarding these issues.



ACTIVITIES:

- ✓ Organization of three local deliberative events for identification of key citizens' priorities;
- ✓ Preparing of Discussion Summary on the identified citizen priorities in the local deliberative events;
- ✓ Preparation of a policy brief with specific policy recommendations to the key democratic priorities in the country;
- ✓ Organising the deliberative polling;
- ✓ Public policy advocacy of the findings.