

# Aarhus Digital: Public Participation Portals in Environmental Matters

## International Webinar with Perspectives from Science & Practice



The **Independent Institute for Environmental Issues (UfU e.V.)** invites you to an international webinar on digital public participation portals with a special focus on EIA portals on **Wednesday, 13 November 2024, 10:00 am – 12:30 pm CET.**

We are excited to present the Aarhus Digital guide and showcase good practices for digital participation portals in environmental matters. We will explore in-depth the key functions and features that enable meaningful public engagement.

Expert presentations will cover further essential topics such as data protection, technical solutions, and the international legal requirements under the Aarhus Convention. The event will conclude with a panel discussion featuring international experts, who will share their insights and discuss with you the future of digital public participation.

We warmly invite all those involved in digital public participation—particularly NGOs, legal professionals, project developers, and representatives from environmental authorities—to join us for an engaging discussion. Members of the interested public are also encouraged to attend. The webinar is the closing event of UfU's Aarhus Strong project.

We look forward to your participation!

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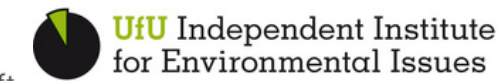
### Agenda

10:00-10:15	<b>Welcome &amp; Introduction</b> <i>Dr. Michael Zschiesche and Luisa Schneider (UfU)</i>
10:15-10:30	<b>Good Practices of Digital Participation Portals - Aarhus Digital</b> <i>Theresa Seidel (UfU)</i>
10:30-10:50	<b>The Archive Function in EIA Portals in Compliance with Data Protection</b> <i>Silvia Schütte (Institute for Applied Ecology / Öko-Institut)</i>
10:50-11:10	<b>Efficient Digital Citizen Participation: How Innovative Tools Accelerate Environmental Planning</b> <i>Daniel Gistschak and Paul-Luis Schad (DEMOS Plan GmbH)</i>
11:10-11:25	<b>Break</b>
11:25-11:45	<b>Interview on Digital Participation Rights under the Aarhus Convention</b> <i>Anastasia Giadrossi (UNECE, Aarhus Convention Secretariat)</i>
11:45-12:25	<b>International Panel with Digital Participation Experts</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Dr. Csaba Kiss (Environmental Management and Law Association, Hungary)</i></li> <li>• <i>Aljosa Petek (Legal Center for the Protection of Human Rights and the Environment, Slovenia)</i></li> <li>• <i>Dr. Kristina Reinsalu (E-Governance Academy, Estonia)</i></li> <li>• <i>Petra Sintorn (University of Gothenburg, Sweden)</i></li> </ul>
12:25-12:30	<b>Wrap Up</b>

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