

## Partnership for Democratic Local Governance in South-East Asia

Dialogue on Research Results – BP Selection & Presentation of Pilot Places

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"The European Union is made up of 27 Member States who have decided to gradually link together their know-how, resources and destinies. Together, during a period of enlargement of 50 years, they have built a zone of stability, democracy and sustainable development whilst maintaining cultural diversity, tolerance and individual freedoms. The European Union is committed to sharing its achievements and its values with countries and peoples beyond its borders".

The European Commission is the EU's executive body.



Thematic theme: Theme 1: People participation in planning and decision

making

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No	Criteria for selection	Met criteria			
1	Minimum of <b>four years of performance/good track record</b> in exercising local government functions (good governance principles)	Good track record began from January 2003, when applying the new Law on Land			
2	Not less than 20,000 registered inhabitants and a solid potential of human resources and adequate qualification and availability of staff in comparison to other municipalities in the respective country	295,000 inhabitants			
3	<b>High reputation</b> and country wide popularity	One of the most successful and well-known city in Vietnam about people participation in planning and especially in the field of implementing the approved plan.			
4	<b>Strong leadership quality</b> of the mayor and of senior local government officials and willingness to improve existing participative mechanisms and procedures.	Leaders of city are active and supportive in the field of encouraging people participating in planning and community are highly agreed and supportive the planning process.			



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5	<b>Good accessibility</b> of the location (no remote areas). The municipalities preferably should be in a strategic location to have a multiplier effect on neighbouring municipalities.	The city is the strategic center city of Central area of Vietnam, easy to access by the national road No 1A by car, railway or by air plane.			
6	Should have sufficient experience and competence in the respective thematic fields in comparison to other municipalities in the respective country.	It has the experience and competence in the field of people participation in planning and implementing.			
7	Clear Commitment by local officials to become a pilot municipality – including commitment for financial contributions (e.g. can be given in the form of work, time and other efforts, or financially), if necessary. They should be ready to engage in network activities during and beyond the life cycle of the project.	City leaders have committed to become the pilot municipality.			

## Vietnam – Overview of recommended Pilot municipalities for BP implementation

Thematic theme: Theme 2: Institutional Governance

Name of Local Government: Lang Son city

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1	Minimum of <b>four years of performance/good track record</b> in exercising local government functions (good governance principles)	Good track record began from January 2004
2	Not less than 20,000 registered inhabitants and a solid potential of human resources and adequate qualification and availability of staff in comparison to other municipalities in the respective country	100,000 inhabitants
3	<b>High reputation</b> and country wide popularity	One of the most successful and well-known city in Vietnam about the one-stop shop system.
4	<b>Strong leadership quality</b> of the mayor and of senior local government officials and willingness to improve existing participative mechanisms and procedures.	Leaders of city are active and supportive in the field of applying the innovation of IT in the administrative system and procedures



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5	<b>Good accessibility</b> of the location (no remote areas). The municipalities preferably should be in a strategic location to have a multiplier effect on neighbouring municipalities.	The city is about 154km from Hanoi Capital, easy to access by the national road No 1B. It is the strategic city in the North East area of Vietnam
6	Should have sufficient <b>experience and competence in the respective thematic fields</b> in comparison to other municipalities in the respective country.	It has the experience and competence in the field of institutional governance
7	Clear Commitment by local officials to become a pilot municipality – including commitment for financial contributions (e.g. can be given in the form of work, time and other efforts, or financially), if necessary. They should be ready to engage in network activities during and beyond the life cycle of the project.	City leaders have committed to become the pilot municipality.