

Decisional Transparency – Basic Element to Increase the Efficiency of Public Services Provided to a Community

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Abstract

Transparency is essential for achieving high standards in the governance process and for developing the citizen's confidence in the integrity of public institutions. Transparency validates the role of democratic processes in promoting and protecting the interests and welfare of citizens. Transparency, good governance and fighting against corruption underlie a successful reform of public administration and an equitable and sustainable economical and social development. However, we must realize that transparency is not an objective in itself. It must be confronted with other values / interests. Too much openness and transparency could hamper / doubting some very well thought out decisions, while too much privacy will lead to some poorly informed planning and to a misconduct perception.