

eDemocracy conference 2008
New Opportunities for Citizen Participation in an Information Society
5 June, 2008,
Press Room of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Estonia

AGENDA

- 9:30 Registration
- 10:00 **Opening of the Conference**
- 10:10 – 11:30 **I session: Present situation and current developments**
Moderator: Silver Meikar, Member of the Parliament
e-participation solutions: international experiences - Prof. Alexander H. Trechsel, European University Institute
Civil rights in an information society – Ülle Madise, Chief Auditor, State Audit Office,
- 11:30 – 12:00 Coffee break
- 11:45 – 14.00 **II session: e-tools for active citizen participation**
Moderator: Liia Hänni, Program Director, e-Governance Academy,
Analysis of the TOM Portal and ideas for its development – Peeter Marvet, TID+ project expert; Eero Elenurm, TID+ software developer
Citizens expressing opinions - governmental participation portal www.osale.ee – Hille Hinsberg, advisor to the State Chancellery,
Introduction to the e-participation platform TID+; possibilities for implementation – Steven Segaert, TID+ project manager;
- 14.00 – 14.45 Lunch
- 14.45 – 15:45 **III session: Perspectives on e-voting**
Moderator: Heiki Sibul, National Electoral Committee, Chairman
The e-voting experience: what have we learned and how to proceed? – Dr Guido Schwerdt, *Ifo Institute for Economic Research*
Developing the Estonian e-voting project: m-voting – Tarvi Martens, e-voting project manager
- 15:45 – 16.45 **Panel discussion: „Online Participation, The New Media and Politics: Who Needs to Take the Initiative?“**
Moderator: Raul Rebane, media consultant
Panelists: Jaanus Lillenberg (Postimees), Liisa Past (Eesti Päevaleht), Peeter Marvet (TID+ project expert), Hannes Rumm (Member of the Estonian Parliament)
- 16.45 - 17.00 Summary of the conference:
Urmo Kübar, Network of Estonian Nonprofit Organisations, Executive Director and Andrew Glencross, European Union Democracy Observatory