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Public infrastructure in southeast Europe - in whose interest?

Tuesday, 17 April 2018, from 9.00 - 14.30
Skopje, EU Info Centre, Sv Kiril i Metodij 52-b

In the framework of project '[CSOs as equal partners in monitoring public finance](#)', a regional study of public infrastructure projects showed that those projects are often marred by lack of transparency and risk of corruption. There is a lack of public debate when public infrastructure projects are selected on a strategic level. Priorities are pre-decided by the authorities and almost never changed as a result of consultations. Public consultations, where they take place at all, are done at a very late stage when the decision to go ahead with the project has already been made. "Strategic" projects are usually anything but strategic and governments rarely provide compelling evidence in favour of prioritising these projects.

To open a platform for discussing the described challenges of the public infrastructure sector, as well as to deepen the dialogue between civil society and national, regional and EU decision-makers, we cordially invite you to take part in the event **Public infrastructure in southeast Europe - in whose interest?**

During the event, the regional study of public infrastructure will be presented. Representatives of various institutions, from European Commission to Energy Community, and civil society from the EU and Western Balkans will discuss public infrastructure challenges, such as lack of transparency, risk of corruption, poor public consultation processes, unequal division of benefits and prioritising environmentally harmful options.

Participation in the event is free of charge, but for organisational reasons we welcome registration [here](#). Reimbursement of travel and accommodation costs is possible to a limited extent. Please contact us latest by 10 March 2018 at emina.hasanagic@wings-of-hope.ba if you need reimbursement.

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