

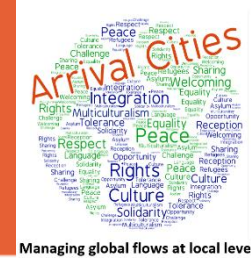
# INTEGRATION THROUGH CIVIC PARTICIPATION AN OVERVIEW

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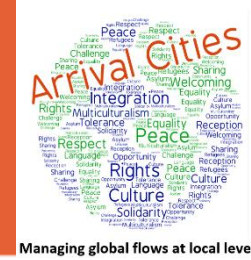
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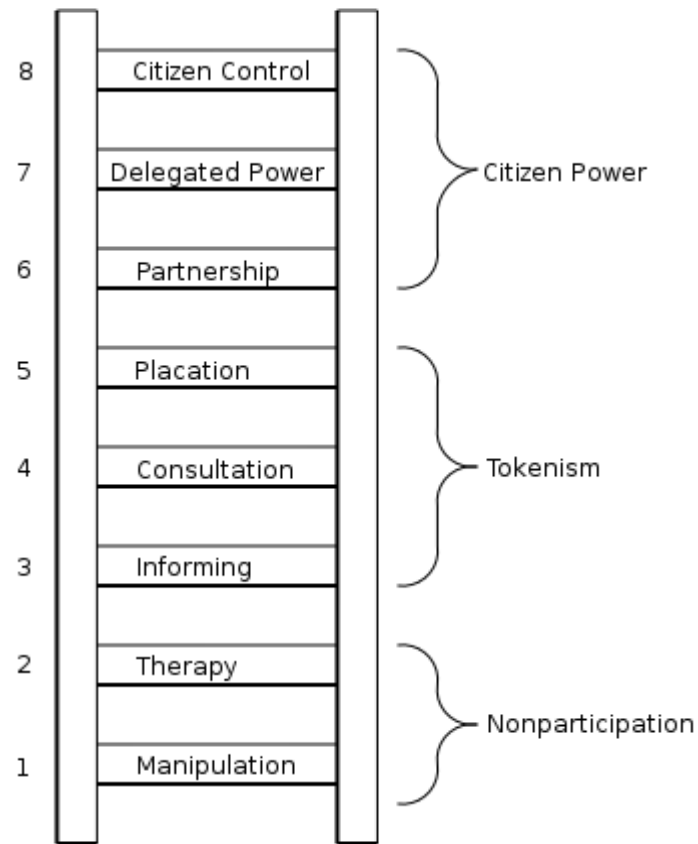
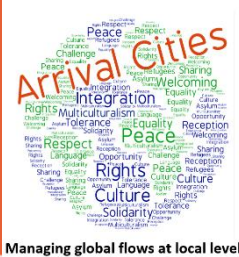


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## WHAT IS « CIVIC PARTICIPATION ? »-2

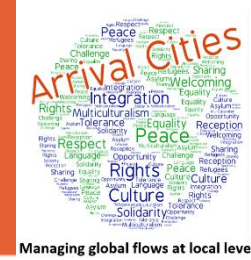
- Engagement in activities linked to local/national/EU political participation activities
- « Click activism »





Connecting cities  
Building successes



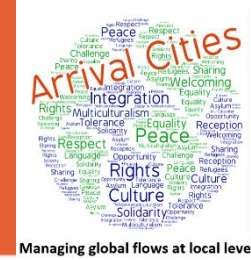


# INTEGRATION THROUGH CIVIC PARTICIPATION

## WHY IS IT HIGH ON THE AGENDA?

- Voting Trends
- Decline in social capital
- Roll back of public services
- Disengagement from mainstream political parties



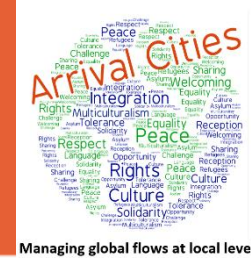


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## WHAT FACTORS ARE CAUSING A DECLINE?

- **Apathy**
- **Low Trust**
- **Time Poverty**
- **Poverty**
- **Identification**





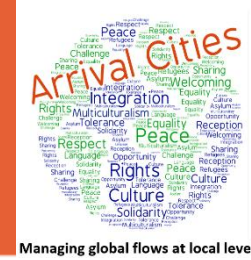
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## WHAT KEY LESSONS/ISSUES HAVE EMERGED FROM PRACTICE?

- Participation and empowerment are not politically neutral concepts.
- the need to create quality partnership space and time for the relevant stakeholders





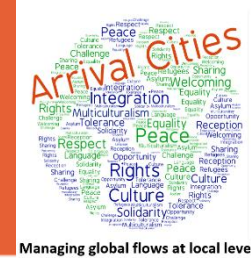


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## WHAT KEY LESSONS/ISSUES HAVE EMERGED FROM PRACTICE?-2

- It is important to create micro-social investment funds and access to basic resources for participants
- there is a need to find new ways of involving the ‘hard to reach’



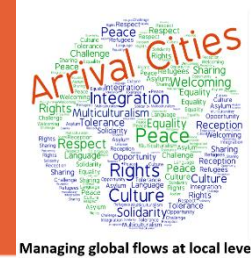


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## WHAT KEY LESSONS/ISSUES HAVE EMERGED FROM PRACTICE?-3

- The need to measure impact of social investment
- No tool is the best one



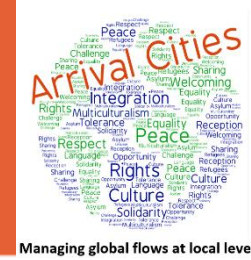


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## WHAT KEY LESSONS/ISSUES HAVE EMERGED FROM PRACTICE?-4

- **Asset-based community development (ABCD)**



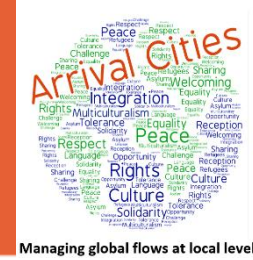


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**“We must not become engaged at the margins, but at the heart of power”**

Stephané Hessel  
French diplomat and resistance hero





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