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**Citizens Participation in urban and territorial planning in Tuscany
From NON to RE regulation
(provisional title)**

Public participation in urban planning choices is certainly non frequent in Italy because of the legal framework and political tradition. On the contrary it's strong the tradition of "insurgency" and formation of local solidarity network.

In 2006 Tuscan region decided to write a law retarding the topic of participation (re)regulating the decision-making processes.

The LAPEI¹ and part of the INURA Florence group worked to a report regarding experiences of participation in various field of public life in Tuscany and this report was one of the base of the debate about the law.

At the moment regional government have to analyse a list of proposals for local participatory processes (from public debate, to design workshop with inhabitants) to be financed as part of an experimentation. In the next months I will observe what kinds of projects will be financed and the results brought about by this projects.

In the presentation I will introduce (very) briefly the law, I will make some comments on the proposals submitted to the regional administration in order to be financed, I will propose to the general discussion some possible research guide lines to work around the projects as case studies.

The main topic of the presentation and, possibly, my contribution to the conference will be a question: are this kind of re-regulative acts promoting participation or controlling spontaneous initiatives?

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