

Component 2

Designing Alternative Models for Deliberation and Participation in the Global South:

In the first version of the project, we have identified differential features that respond to the contexts and populations of the Global South, both in the barriers they face and in the type of practices for participation and deliberation designed among traditionally underrepresented populations. Therefore, we consider it necessary to identify specific procedures that can be included to adapt and improve institutionalized models of deliberation such as assemblies, councils, and citizen dialogues that are commonly implemented by government agencies. In addition, we have learned that the current design of these models is relevant; however, applying the principles of inclusion and a differential approach in institutionalized mechanisms for deliberation requires adapting them to include other procedures in addition to random selection or mini-publics. There are "differential" participation and deliberation practices specific to "traditionally underrepresented" communities, identified in each HUB, which need to be analyzed to adapt these mechanisms. Based on these learnings, this component progresses in two directions: The characterization of differential participation and/or deliberation practices prioritized in the different hubs and, on the other hand; the creation of proposals to adapt institutionalized models of dialogue, councils, and/or citizen assemblies and co-design alternative models of participation and deliberation at the institutional level. This is implemented through the following specific activities:

2.2 Characterization of differential practices for deliberation and participation in the Global South: According to the barriers and solutions identified in Demo.Reset 1.0, we will carry out 4 case studies (1 per hub) to describe the differential features and practices of participation and deliberation carried out in traditionally underrepresented communities that have been prioritized by the HUB. The case studies will provide us with elements to model possible differential mechanisms, criteria, and procedures whose scope can be incorporated later into alternative models for deliberation in the Global South that will be presented to state actors, according to the particular conditions of each context.

2.3 Design of alternative models and/or adaptations for institutionalized mechanisms for deliberation: With the findings identified in the case studies, we will co-design preliminary proposals to adapt institutionalized models of: assembly, council, and/or citizen dialogue. In this process, efforts will be coordinated with organizations in the Demoreset 2.0 network that are already carrying out strategic actions in research programs for deliberative democracy (Democracy Next, People Power, Democracy R&D, among others). On the other hand, review and validation spaces will be carried out with the organizations and professionals of deliberation that participated in the 4 case studies. Finally, we will collect the ideas and perspectives of decision-makers involved in the implementation of these types of mechanisms at the state level. To achieve this, we will work on three types of actions with these actors:

- **We will analyze the institutionalized models previously characterized by the OECD (assembly, council, and citizen dialogue)** to understand in which part of their

designs adaptations are required to include alternative mechanisms, procedures, and/or methodologies (affirmative, with a differential and/or intersectional approach) that allow improving the processes of inclusion and representativeness in institutional deliberation and participation.

- ***We will design at least two proposals for alternative models for participation and deliberation, with an affirmative and differential approach.*** According to the project's needs and the findings identified in the process, two of these institutional mechanisms will be prioritized: assembly, council, and/or citizen dialogue. These proposals will have at least a technical description, an operative one, a methodological section, and a section with recommendations and aspects to consider, according to the context of application and the population that is being prioritized to include in the mechanisms for deliberation in state scenarios.
- ***We will implement at least four review and validation spaces in the two (2) prioritized hubs for the subsequent implementation of Demo.Reset/Lab and Residences;*** two (2) with decision-makers and two (2) with the communities that participated in the case study, to incorporate their perspectives, corrections and observations on the design of the adapted models of participation and deliberation designed by the project team. We will validate and incorporate corrections into the models with a methodology of socialization and tripartite review by: academic peers, civil society organizations belonging to the network, and strategic state actors in the different hubs.

