

**Participation Now!
Citizenship Education and Democracy in Times of Change**

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Fact Sheet

**Forum 4
Web 2.0: Digital participation and online tools
for citizenship education**

	Section	Indications of content
1	Title of project	Marsad, Al Bawsala
2	Location	Tunis, Tunisia
3	Main topics/ key words	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Transparency - Monitoring - Participative democracy - OpenData -
4	Brief description of topic or project	<p>The “Marsad.tn” project is the Observatory of the National Constituent Assembly. Intended as a register of elected representatives, it includes their biographies: Political affiliation, proposals, votes in the Constituent Assembly, interventions and tracking of their presence.</p> <p>The objective of “Marsad.tn” is to provide citizens, through an online platform, with easier and free access to information related to their elected representatives and the writing of the new constitution thanks to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • List of elected representatives including their biography, mail address, political affiliation, constituency, political stances etc. • Updated information on their political activities, propositions, votes in the Constituent Assembly (vote tracking system). • Free access to all documents, briefs, minutes issued by constituent, legislative, special and joint committees. More than 170 documents have already been published on the website Marsad.tn. • The rough draft of the new constitution translated from Arabic to French. • Daily press review of articles related to the work of the National Constituent Assembly.
5	Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Through an online platform, provide citizens with easier and free access to information related to their elected representatives and the writing of the new Tunisian constitution. - Make the deputies known to the public by publishing their biographies and interviews. Their work and their proposals are monitored. - Bring the debates out of the closed circle of commissions to open them to citizens and allow them to take ownership of their constitution. - Enhance transparency as a governance principle and promote citizens’ rights to open information.

6	Effect on relevant developments in citizenship education and human rights education concerning changing processes in democracy and citizen participation.	The concern of Marsad.tn as an observatory for the National Constituent Assembly is to establish a culture of transparency and openness. In consequence, Marsad heightens the awareness of citizens and their continuous interest in the transitional process, that way giving them adequate ground to defend their rights in the constitution, which is currently being written. It is also putting pressure on deputies to publish their work via marsad.tn, and that way, it's making them learn how to manage the citizen-deputy relation and to enhance it.
7	Target Groups	Every citizen looking for any information related to what's being done within the National Constituent Assembly. These are mainly citizens familiarized with the use of online platforms.
8	Methods / Format	The online platform, www.marsad.tn, is the reference for the work of the National Constituent Assembly and its evolution. The format is mainly the use of this platform and the different social media related to marsad.tn (Facebook, Twitter, Youtube, etc..).
9	Results / Evaluation / Materials	
10	Sustainable impact of topic or project (local, regional)	
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