Webocracy - Web Technologies Supporting Direct Participation in Democratic Process

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Webocracy - "Web Technologies Supporting Direct Participation in Democratic Process" – was an IST funded project with 8 partners from 4 European countries. The abbreviation Webocracy derives from “Democracy on the Web”. The project provided sophisticated mechanism of interaction between local authorities and citizens. This was accomplished via state-of-the-art knowledge management, document management technologies, databases, and communication tools such as newsgroups or direct connections. Citizens were therefore enabled to communicate and feedback to the local decision makers, politicians, and the administration.

The University of Regensburg provided the security features for all software parts focusing on user and identity management, authorisation, and access control.