

SLOVAK MUNICIPALITIES – DEMOCRACY OVER EFFECTIVENESS

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Abstract

One of the first tasks of (Czech) Slovak central government during the transformation period was the separation of local governance from the local state administration. This resulted into a local governance model that gave priority to the demand of democratic representation over effective providing of public services. Mostly small municipalities struggle to fulfill other obliged task than democratic representation. This paper will address the dilemma if a local governance model based on the representative task of local governments is still beneficiary for Slovakia and its citizens.