

Communities Committees

Communities Committees (CC) are municipal mechanisms comprised of representatives of communities living in the municipality and Municipal Assembly (MA) members. Their establishment is obligatory. The CC's core competence is to review all municipal policies, practices, and activities with a view to recommending measures to the MA to ensure that the rights and interests of communities are respected.

Key Documents

- Law on Local Self Government No. 03/L-040, 2008;
- Ministry of Local Government Administration (MLGA) Administrative Instruction No. 02/2018 on the Procedure of Establishment, Composition and Competencies of Standing Committees in the Municipality; *
- Communities Committees Guidelines and Terms of Reference.

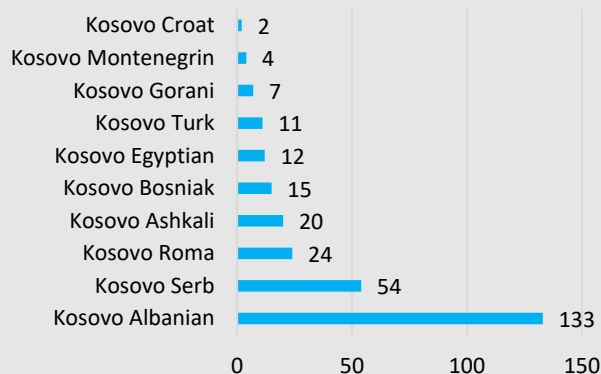
* In December 2020, amended by the MLGA Administrative Instruction No. 05/2020 on the procedure of establishment, composition and competencies of permanent committees and other committees in the municipality.

Establishment

CCs are established in all 38 municipalities. During the reporting period, 29 CCs met regularly in 2020 on a monthly basis, eight CCs met regularly, but less frequently than once a month, and one CC met on an irregular basis.

Community Representation

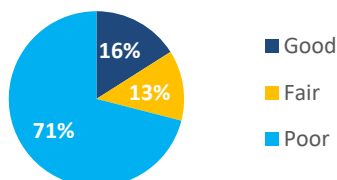
CC members by community belonging



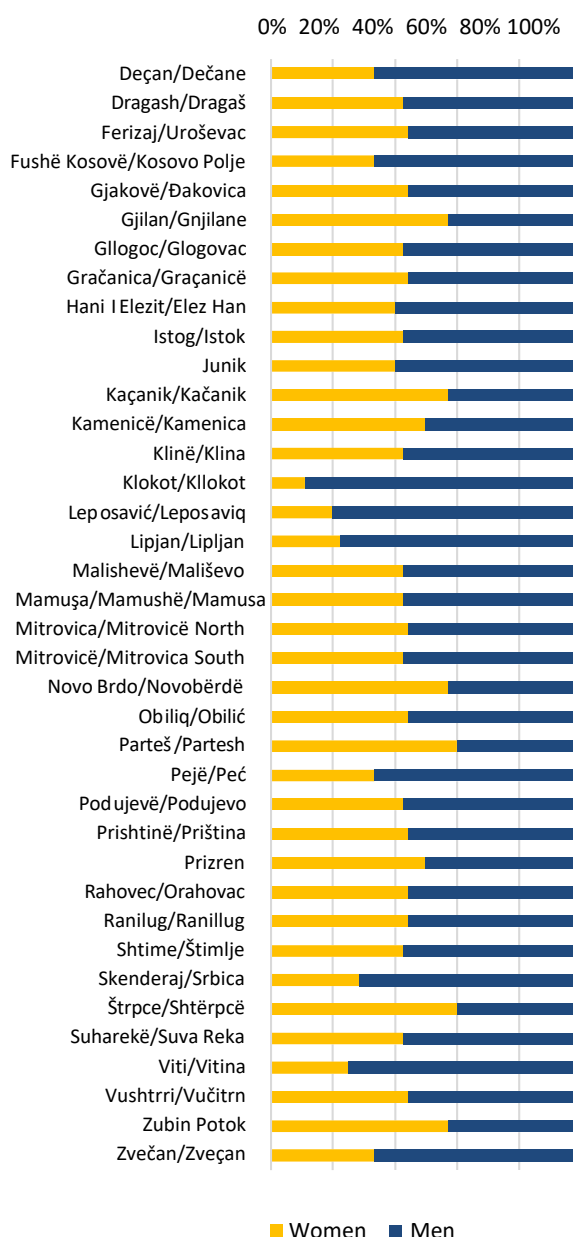
Each community residing in a municipality should be represented in the CC, but some communities remain under-represented. The most under-represented communities are the Kosovo Turks, Kosovo Bosniaks and Kosovo Gorani.

Access to Financial Resources *

* As assessed by CCs.



Gender Representation of CCs' members



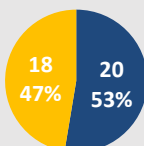
Performance 2020

Selected Performance Indicators

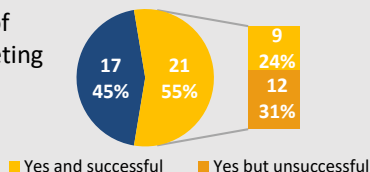
Number of CCs that undertook key activities and substantive duties outlined in the legal and policy framework, based on OSCE Mission in Kosovo field teams' regular monitoring and periodic specific reviews by the field teams, as well as reports produced by the municipalities.

1 – Budget

Review of municipal budget

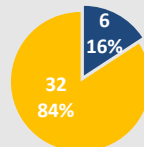


Advocacy for inclusion of funds for activities targeting communities

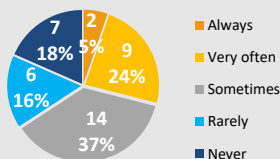


2 – Law and policy making

Review of municipal acts, policies, practices or other activities

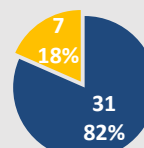


Frequency of recommendations issuance in the review of legal and policy instruments



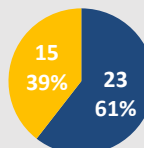
3 – Projects

Monitor and report on the implementation of communities-related projects



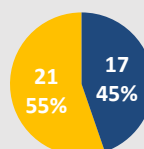
4 – Reporting

Prepare and timely submit annual report to the Municipal Assembly



5 – Outreach and Consultations

Engage with non-majority communities in the development of action plans



Overall Performance

CCs' performance scores are based on the aggregated results of performance indicators, which reflect key activities and substantive duties provided for in the relevant legal and policy framework. Performance is rated "High", when the aggregated score is above 66 per cent, "Moderate", when it ranges between 66 per cent and 33 per cent, and "Low", when below 33 per cent.

	Budget	Law and policy review	Projects	Reporting	Outreach and Consultation	Overall Performance
Deçan/Deçane	Low	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	14%
Dragash/Dragaš	Moderate	High	Moderate	Moderate	High	67%
Ferizaj/Uroševac	High	High	High	High	High	94%
Fushë Kosovë/Kosovo Polje	High	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	62%
Gjakovë/Đakovica	Low	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	44%
Gjilan/Gnjilane	Low	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	15%
Gilgoc/Glogovac	Low	High	Moderate	Moderate	High	46%
Gračanica/Gračanicë	Low	Low	Low	High	Moderate	31%
Hani i Elezit/Elez Han	Moderate	Moderate	Low	High	Moderate	51%
Istog/Istok	Moderate	High	High	High	High	79%
Junik	Low	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	21%
Kaçanik/Kaçanik	Low	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	44%
Kamenicë/Kamenica	Moderate	High	Moderate	Low	Moderate	49%
Klinë/Klina	High	Moderate	Moderate	High	High	76%
Klokot/Kllokot	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	13%
Leposaviç/Leposaviq	Moderate	Moderate	High	Moderate	Low	53%
Lipjan/Lipljan	High	High	Moderate	Moderate	High	73%
Malishevë/Mališevo	High	Moderate	Low	High	High	72%
Mamuša/Mamushë/Mamuša	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	27%
Mitrovica/Mitrovicë North	Low	High	Low	Moderate	Low	37%
Mitrovicë/Mitrovica South	Low	High	High	High	Low	55%
Novo Brdo/Novobërdë	Low	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Low	28%
Obiliç/Obiliç	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	High	62%
Partëš/Partesh	Low	Moderate	High	Low	Moderate	47%
Pejë/Peç	High	Moderate	High	High	High	83%
Podujevë/Podujevo	Moderate	High	High	Moderate	Moderate	64%
Priştinë/Priština	High	High	High	High	High	93%
Prizren	High	Moderate	Moderate	Low	High	59%
Rahovec/Orahovac	Low	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Moderate	37%
Ranilug/Ranilug	High	High	High	Low	Low	53%
Shtime/Štimlje	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	High	62%
Skenderaj/Srbica	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Moderate	39%
Štrpce/Shtërpçë	Low	Moderate	Low	High	Moderate	31%
Suharekë/Suva Reka	High	Moderate	Low	Low	High	51%
Viti/Vitina	Low	Low	Moderate	Low	High	25%
Vushtrri/Vučitrn	Low	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	High	54%
Zubin Potok	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	12%
Zvečan/Zveçan	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	20%

The OSCE Mission in Kosovo supports improved communities' participation in public decision-making and governance processes and institutions. To assist in this effort the OSCE Mission in Kosovo regularly monitors the performance of municipal communities' protection mechanisms. These information sheets aim to provide the relevant institutions with indicators that can assist in identifying gaps and improvement in compliance.