

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

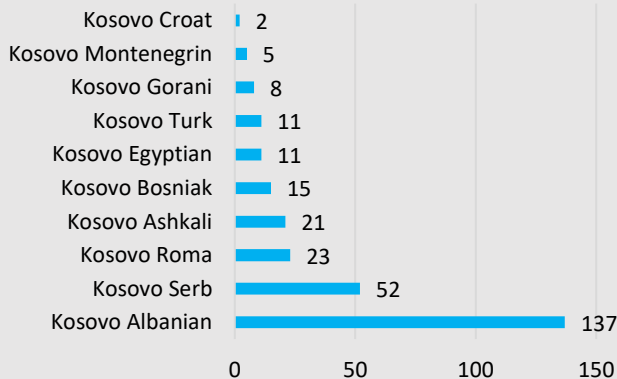
- Law on Local Self Government No. 03/L-040, 2008;
- Ministry of Local Government Administration (MLGA) Administrative Instruction No. 02/2018 on the Procedure of Establishment, Composition and Competencies of Standing Committees in the Municipality; *
- Communities Committees Guidelines and Terms of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

* In December 2020, amended by the MLGA Administrative Instruction (AI) No. 05/2020 on the procedure of establishment, composition and competences of permanent committees and other committees in the municipality. This AI entered into force only after the local elections in 2021.

Establishment

CCs are established in all 38 municipalities. During the reporting period, 26 CCs met regularly on a monthly basis, eight CCs met regularly, but less than frequently once a month, and four CCs met on an irregular or ad-hoc basis.

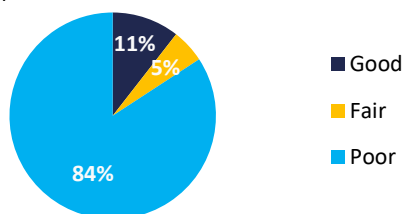
Community Representation



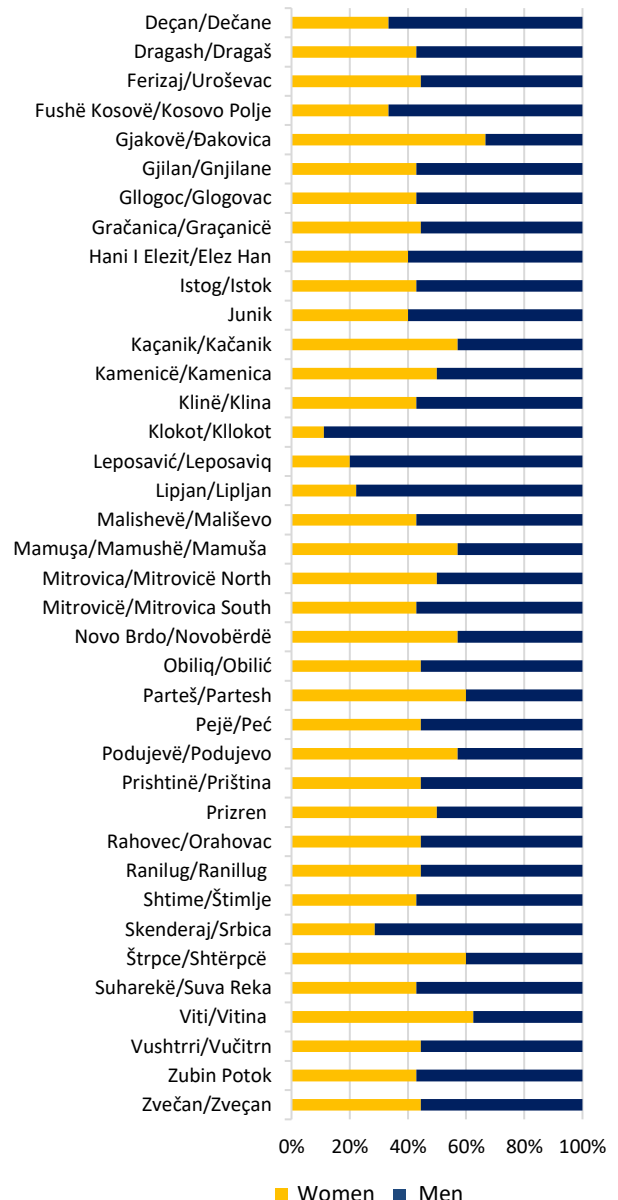
Each community residing in a municipality should be represented in the CC, but some communities remain underrepresented. The most underrepresented communities are Kosovo Bosniaks and Kosovo Turks.

Access to Financial Resources *

* As assessed by CCs



Gender Representation



Performance 2021

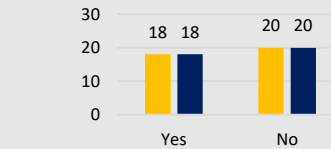
Selected Performance Indicators

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, as well as reports produced by the municipalities.

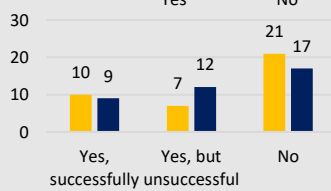
Note: the comparison is made between 12 months of 2020 and 10 months of 2021, due to municipal elections in October 2021.

1 – Budget

Review of municipal budget

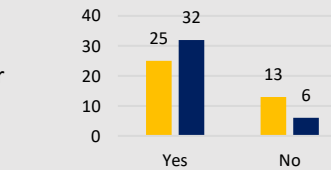


Advocacy for inclusion of funds for activities targeting communities

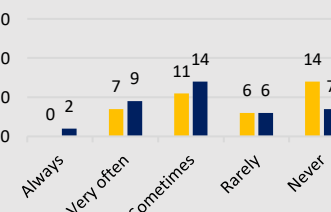


2 – Law and policy making

Review of municipal acts, policies, practices or other activities

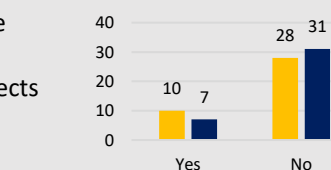


Frequency of recommendations in the review of legal and policy instruments



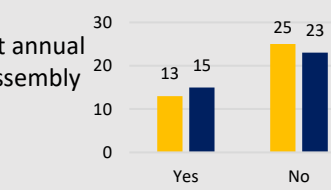
3 – Projects

Monitor and report on the implementation of communities-related projects



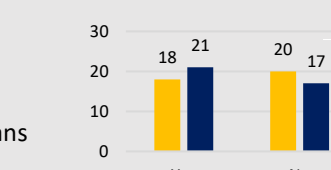
4 – Reporting

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



2021 2020

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	16%
Dragash/Dragaš	High	High	Moderate	High	High	79%
Ferizaj/Uroševac	Moderate	Low	High	High	High	76%
Fushë Kosovë/Kosovo Polje	High	Moderate	High	Low	Moderate	60%
Gjakovë/Đakovica	Low	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	43%
Gjilan/Gnjilane	Low	Moderate	Moderate	High	High	52%
Glogoc/Glogovac	Low	Moderate	High	Moderate	High	53%
Gračanica/Gračanice	Low	Moderate	Low	High	Low	25%
Hani i Elezit/Ellez Han	Moderate	Low	Moderate	High	High	57%
Istog/Istok	High	Moderate	Moderate	Low	High	66%
Junik	Low	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	18%
Kaçanik/Kaçanik	Low	Low	Moderate	Moderate	High	37%
Kamenicë/Kamenica	Moderate	Moderate	High	Low	High	57%
Klinë/Klina	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	High	64%
Klokot/Kllokot	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	5%
Leposavić/Leposaviq	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Low	43%
Lipjan/Lipljan	High	High	Moderate	Low	High	62%
Malishevë/Mališevo	High	High	High	High	High	94%
Mamuša/Mamushë/Mamuša	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	28%
Mitrovica/Mitrovicë North	High	Moderate	Low	High	Low	46%
Mitrovicë/Mitrovica South	High	Moderate	High	Moderate	Moderate	64%
Novo Brdo/Novobërdë	Low	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	13%
Obiliq/Obilić	High	Low	High	High	Moderate	64%
Parteš/Partesh	Low	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Low	21%
Pejë/Peć	High	High	High	High	High	96%
Podujevë/Podujevo	Low	Moderate	High	Moderate	High	58%
Prishtinë/Prishtina	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	54%
Prizren	Low	Moderate	Moderate	Low	High	34%
Rahovec/Orahovac	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Low	Moderate	36%
Ranilug/Ranillug	Low	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	22%
Shtime/Štimlje	High	Moderate	High	High	Moderate	80%
Skenderaj/Srbica	Low	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	12%
Štrpce/Shtërpçë	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	18%
Suharekë/Suva Reka	High	High	Low	Low	High	47%
Viti/Vitina	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	High	34%
Vushtrri/Vučitrn	Low	Low	Low	High	Moderate	26%
Zubin Potok	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	7%
Zvečan/Zveçan	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	8%
AVERAGE 2021	41%	39%	49%	39%	51%	44%
AVERAGE 2020	42%	52%	48%	45%	55%	48%

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.