

Public Participation

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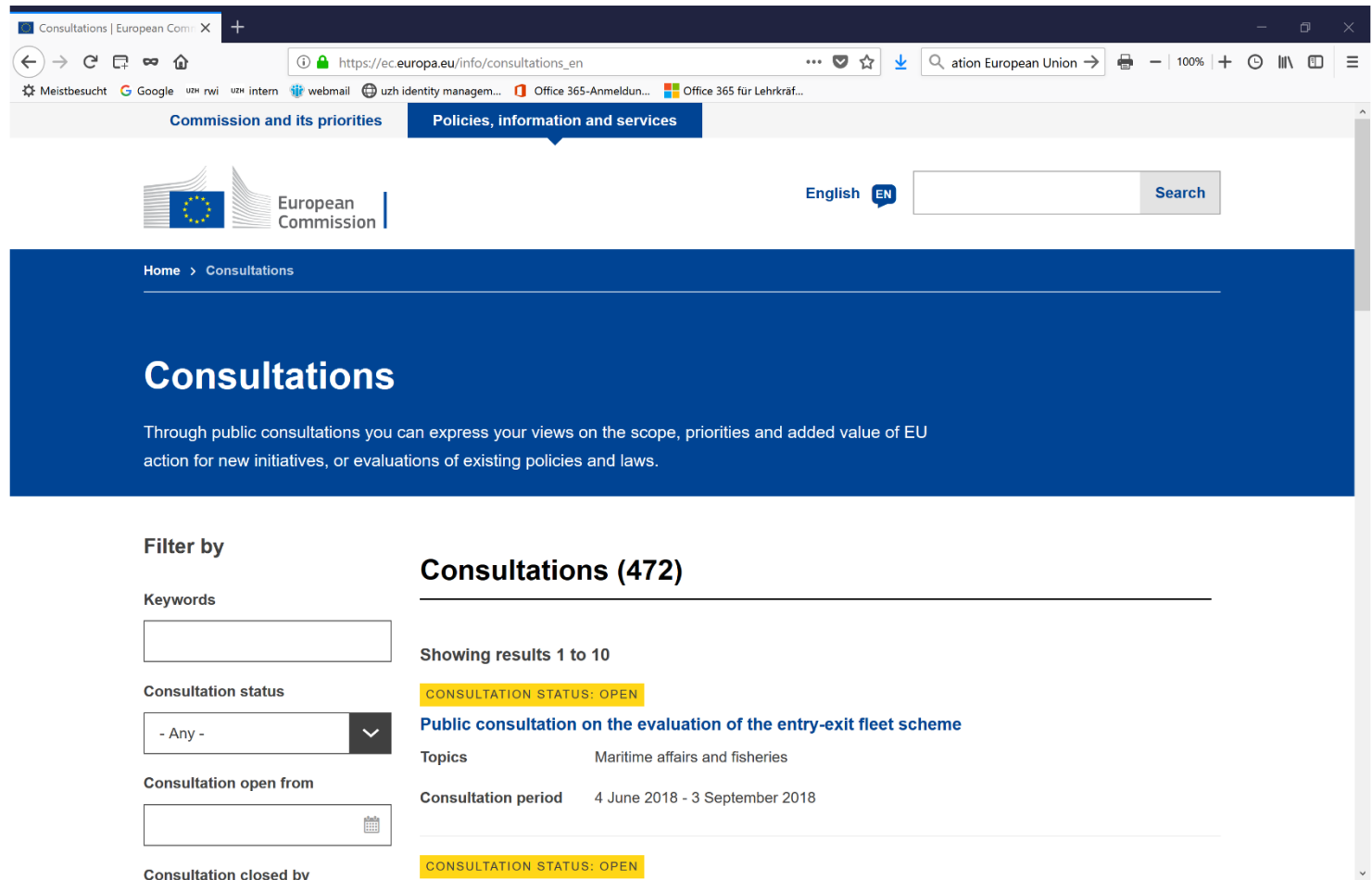
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1. Forms



The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the European Commission's Consultations page. The browser's address bar shows the URL https://ec.europa.eu/info/consultations_en. The page features a navigation menu with 'Commission and its priorities' and 'Policies, information and services'. The European Commission logo is visible on the left, and a search bar with 'English EN' and a 'Search' button is on the right. The main content area has a blue header with 'Home > Consultations' and a large 'Consultations' title. Below the title, a paragraph explains that public consultations allow users to express views on EU initiatives. A 'Filter by' section includes a 'Keywords' search box, a 'Consultation status' dropdown menu set to '- Any -', and a 'Consultation open from' date picker. The main content area displays 'Consultations (472)' and 'Showing results 1 to 10'. The first result is a consultation titled 'Public consultation on the evaluation of the entry-exit fleet scheme' with the topic 'Maritime affairs and fisheries' and a period from '4 June 2018 - 3 September 2018'. The status for both the filter and the result is 'CONSULTATION STATUS: OPEN'.

Commission and its priorities | Policies, information and services

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English EN Search

Home > Consultations

Consultations

Through public consultations you can express your views on the scope, priorities and added value of EU action for new initiatives, or evaluations of existing policies and laws.

Filter by

Keywords

Consultation status

- Any -

Consultation open from

Consultation closed by

Consultations (472)

Showing results 1 to 10

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Public consultation on the evaluation of the entry-exit fleet scheme

Topics: Maritime affairs and fisheries

Consultation period: 4 June 2018 - 3 September 2018

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2. Legal Basis (Switzerland)

Federal Act on the Consultation Procedure (Consultation Procedure Act, CPA)

of 18 March 2005 (Status as of 1 April 2016)

Art. 2 Purpose of the consultation procedure

¹ The consultation procedure has the aim of allowing the cantons, political parties and interested groups to participate in the shaping of opinion and the decision-making process of the Confederation.

² It is intended to provide information on material accuracy, feasibility of implementation and public acceptance of a federal project.

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3. Functions

Participation (Functions)

- **Information** and Transparency
- Legitimacy
- Political Feasibility
- Fact Finding
- Implementation and Practicability
- Drafting



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4. Characteristics

Participation (Characteristics)

- The object of participation is a draft law.
- Participation has no binding effect on government.
- The typical participants are private individuals.
- Participation is a formalized process.
- There is no standard format for participation.
- Participation is not an opinion poll.
- Participation is not an expert opinion.
- Participation is not lobbying.

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5. Lessons (from a Swiss perspective)

Lessons

- Accept criticism
- Take respondents seriously
- Give respondents time
- Be patient that respondents will learn the process
- Find the ideal timing for public consultation in the legislative process
- Consider resources (and alternatives)



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6. The Future?



Large-Scale Political Participation: Issue Identification, Deliberation, and Co-creation

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