

Guide and Toolbox for Dweller-Driven Upgrading of Roma Settlements

(self organisation of
construction work within a
guided process)



Dweller-Driven Upgrading of Roma Settlements

Construction Manual for Dweller

Bathrooms, septic tanks /
sewage connection,
additional living rooms,
minor house repairs



Stakeholders the guide and manual are addressing

Roma dweller
Settlement
inhabitants

Municipality
bodies

Governments
(provincial/
national)

National /
International
institutions



Experiences leading to this guide

Roma dwellers have capacities to improve their housing conditions by their own work:

- But: It needs guidance and a structured process, with clear participation, roles, rights and obligations of participants



Municipalities can be convinced to improve housing condition in Roma settlements

- But: But: They need a promising, manageable and financially affordable approach. Win – Win Situation



Governments must be motivated to do more:

- > But: They need success stories, showing tangible results, lobbying and advocacy

Part 1: Overview for Decision Makers

- Method description at a glance
- Intervention tools
- Task and responsibilities
- legal framework
- potential cofunding sources
- examples / show cases



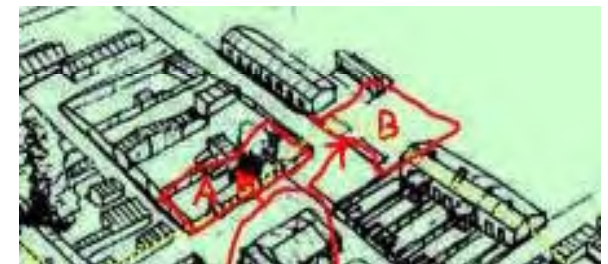
Part II: Preparatory planning

Description of process of participatory planning specific for a dweller driven approach

- identification of key stakeholders
- Preliminary Data collection
- Public Info Session

- Election of settlement board
- mapping settlement facts
- Participatory planning sessions

- Defining type of intervention
- model of subsidizing (in kind, voucher etc.)
- beneficiary selection and definition of zone of intervention
- Defining rights and obligations (participants, municipality, project team)
- Cost estimation



Part III: Project implementation

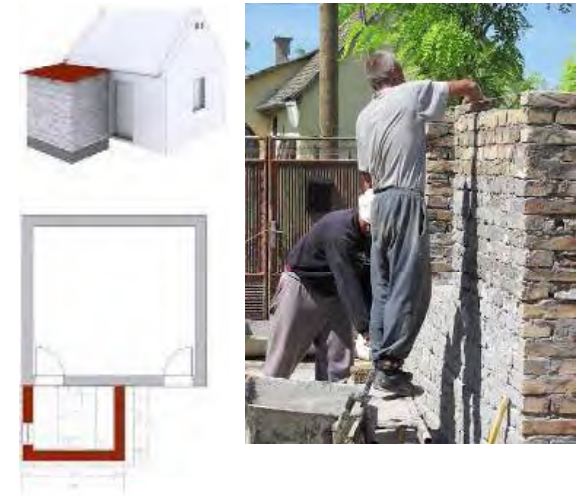
Project organisation

- Human resources
- Project administration,
- Training requirements



Defining interventions / standardization vs. individualisation

- Defining type of (standardized) interventions
- Final Beneficiary selection
- Customizing interventions (according individual situation)
- Recruiting pool of skilled masons,
- Trainings / demonstration days for dweller



Phasing Construction Process

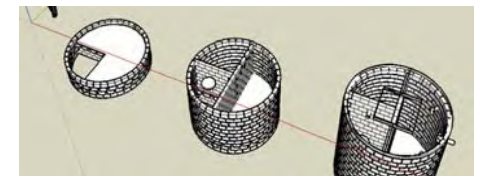
- > phasing construction work and conditionalities for continuation, technical issues, quality management

Part IV: Planning Tools,

- Templates,
- Mapping tool
- Standard documents

Part V: Case studies

- Example of dweller driven settlement up-grading realized.



Construction Manual for bathroom, septic tank, additional room, minor repairs

**Goal: Enabling non / semi-skilled
dwellers - under guidance and
supervision of a mason and civil
ingeneer / achritect – to meet minimal
standards**

- 1. Septic tank / concetion to sewage**
- 2. Laying foundation and building walls**
- 3. Roof and ceiling**
- 4. Plumbing and Electicity**
- 5. Bathroom finishing**
- 6. Individual additional house upgrading**
- 7. Project closure**



Conclusions: For large scale and in due time improvement of housing conditions, we need:

- Affordable / fundable solutions,
- locally adapted and pragmatic solutions
- A decentralized approach, (active role of municipalities (legalisation, infrastructure))
- Strong involvement of the Roma dwellers
- Commitment of Governments (legalisation frame and budget lines, incentives for municipalities)
- International organisations, supporting good practises
- Housing shall go within a comprehensive approach (empowerment, education, employment & income)



Thank you for your attention

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