

SIA is a mandatory part of statutory EIAs in Finland -> need to know local people's opinions

# How to get people to participate in the project?

Participants in public meetings are usually

- Older men
- Against the project



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### Web pages of the project

- Most infrastructure projects have web pages
- Real-time data bank
- Lessons learned
  - To find pages google search, easy address
  - Important to tell the date of data
  - Maps max 10 Mb files







# Online survey

In Tampere tramway planning project online survey; 1 264 - 2 590 respondent public meeting; 40 - 190 participants



Provides quantitative data on people's opinions,

appreciated by the decision-makers

More women and young respondents than usual in the

mail surveys or

public meetings

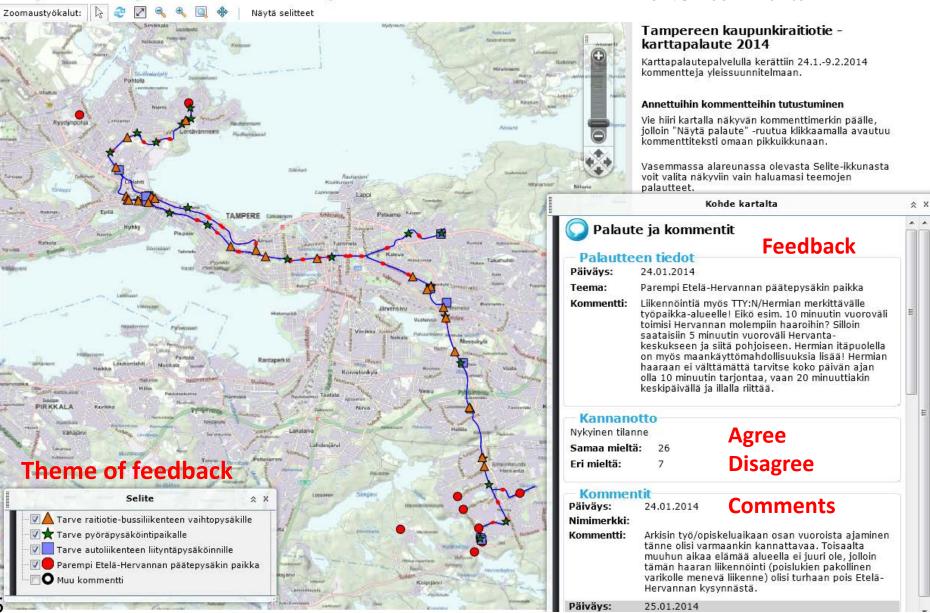
No one asked for printed questionnare

19. Arvioikaa seuraavien asioiden merkitystä ja vaikutusta vaki- tai loma-asuntonne lähellänolla-vaihtoehdoissa, jossa pilaantuneita sedimenttejä ei kunnosteta, vaan tilanne jatkuu nykyisellään (VE 0) tai tarkkailua tehostetaan (VE0+)?

	Impo	rtand	ce	Negative or positive Impact				
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#### Map portal survey

#### Tampereen kaupunkiraitiotie - karttapalaute 2014



1 894 visitors

5 481 comments

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2 897 visits



#### Facebook, Twitter, Youtube,...

- In the Tram project people had started two Facebook groups by their own initiative; for and against the project
  - The supporting group has been very active
  - Hundreds of answers to online survey before any information in printed media
- Short, informal messages more often
  - Invitation to public meeting, survey, ...
  - New material in web page
- Possible to grow up online conversation
  - Takes more time
  - Continues after EIA





## The usage of Internet

- Works better than traditional methods
  - with younger people, students
  - with people used to deal with computers
  - in urban area than in countryside
    - better Internet connections
    - younger population
- facilitates public participation
  - to distribute information
  - to reach the involved
  - to get feedback (also from silent majority)
  - to create online discussion





#### METHODS FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Informing

Data collecting

Communication

Cooperation

- Announcement
- Newsletter
- Lettes, e-mails
- Web pages
- Social media

- Online survey
- Mail survey
- Map portal survey
- Feedback-forms
- Media analysis
- Desk study
- Interview
- Observation

- Map portal survey with interaction
- Social media
- Public meeting
- Workshops
- Stakeholder walks
- Seminar
- Meeting planner

- Stakeholder group
- Co-planning
- Residential council
- Project meetings

"Depth" of interaction

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