

## Goodbye letter

Dear EUPAN Members, dear Colleagues,

Let me thank you all for your cooperation as the historically first Slovak Presidency in the Council of the European Union comes to its end. The past six months were full of mutual exchange, support and forward-looking attitudes towards the future of our network. We had the pleasure to organize events and meetings that brought fruitful discussions, exchanges of experience as well as the strengthening of mutual relations within the EU.

During our Presidency, we had the chance to cooperate with different stakeholders such as public institutions, non-governmental organisations, local governments and different state agencies. We experienced fruitful cooperation in areas and topics that represent current trends in the public administration as well as in different sectors. If circumstances allow, we can only recommend such an encounter of broad collaboration.

During the EUPAN working level meeting in October, we had the opportunity to discuss more deeply topics and issues connected to current challenges and prospects of public administration through plenary sessions as well as through interactive round tables.

In November, together with EIPA, we organised the 7<sup>th</sup> European CAF Users' Event which brought useful and meaningful discussions in the CAF improvement identification, prioritization and implementation.

It was an honor and a pleasure to host the 67<sup>th</sup> EUPAN Directors General Meeting in December in Bratislava where the results of the last six months work came to peak. Interactive round tables facilitated opinion exchanges on several issues and invited experts brought new perspectives on public administration topics in the current social, political and economic context.

We learned a lot while working on the update of the EUPAN Handbook together with all of you who supported us and expressed their meaningful comments and important advices. We are proud for the work we have done together with you all in order to have a concise manual of the EUPAN network approved which will serve us all.

We believe that during the Slovak Presidency, EUPAN has made another step forward as an important and relevant network in the EU of 21<sup>st</sup> century. Last but not least, I would like to wish successful six months to our Maltese colleagues for their upcoming Presidency and all EUPAN activities and events ahead of them.

On behalf of the Slovak EUPAN team, let me express once again my pleasure to cooperate with you all. We wish you all the best.

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