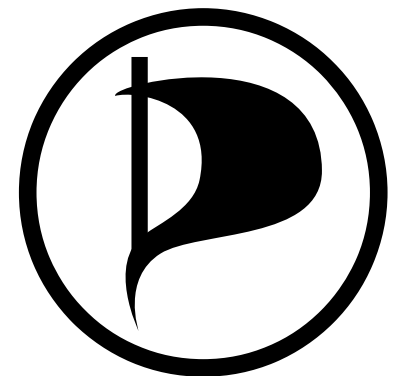


Bureaucracy of Direct Democracy

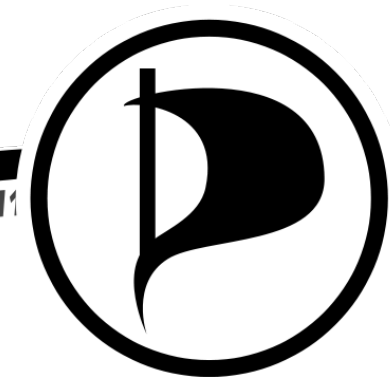
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OUTLINE

- Democracy framework in PP-CZ
- Voting system of National Forum
- Internet sessions of National Forum
- Members initiative



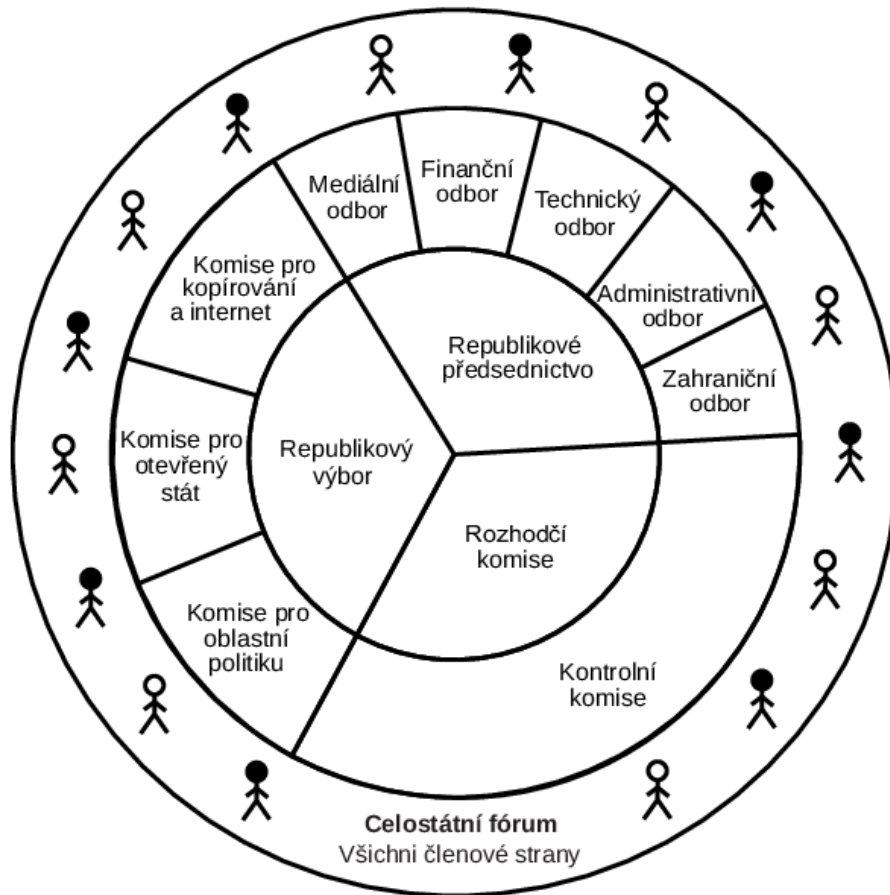
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DEMOCRACY FRAMEWORK

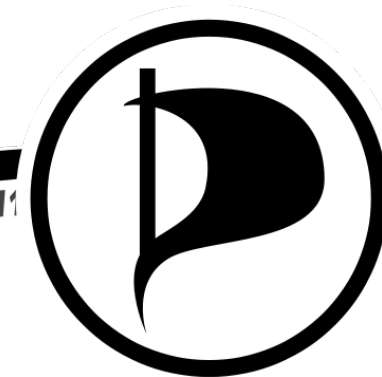
- Direct and representative democracy
- The "all-powerful" National forum consist of all members
- Separate legislative, executive and judiciary branches
 - each body independent - elected by National forum
- Every bodes power specifically limited by statuses and other rules
- Permanent internet discussions and sessions (forum.pirati.cz)



DEMOCRACY FRAMEWORK



- National forum
 - Executive branch
 - Board
 - Departements
 - Legislature branch
 - Commitee
 - Juridical branch

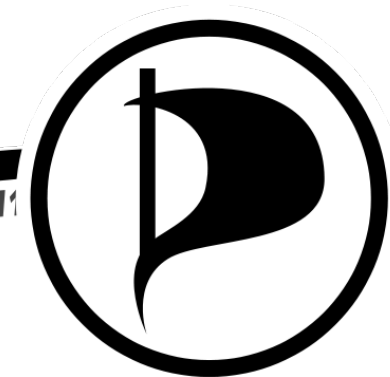


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VOTING SYSTEM

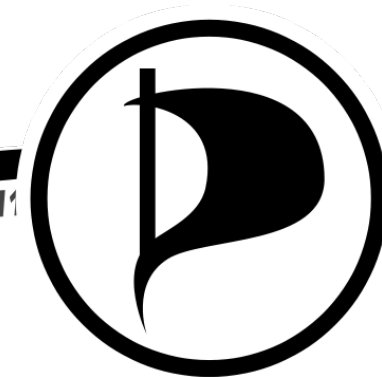
- Same for every issue(election, rule-making, impeachment...)
- Two-round approval voting
 - 1st round:
 - One vote per option
 - Options with $>1/2$ selected for second round
 - 2nd round: (if needed)
 - As many votes as options being selected
 - Options with most votes selected



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INTERNET SESSIONS

- Chaired by appointed members of administrative department (neutral, can't propose or discuss anything)
- Clear and long Rules of Order
- Required sessions automatically started “by rules”
- Only one topic per internet session
- None “just for discussion” sessions, always with initial proposal



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MEMBERS INITIATIVE

- Translated instruction manual:
<https://www.pirati.cz/ao/navody/podnet/en>
- Every party member can start initiative
- Initiative must be acceptable proposal:
 - unambiguous meaning
 - complies with RoP and other rules, and already passed decisions or is explicitly changing them
 - [is closely related to discussed topic]
 - [not already proposed]
 - [proposed within set time limit]

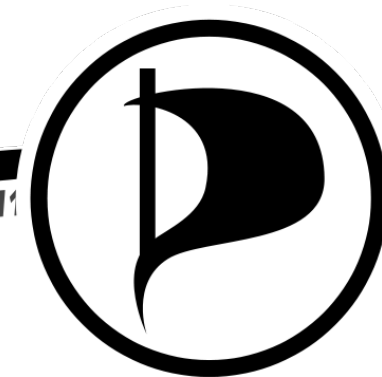


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MEMBERS INITIATIVE

- “Group of members”
 - $\sqrt{\text{members}}$
 - Nominating candidates for running elections
 - Alternative proposals for running proposals
 - Procedural proposals (for running issues)
 - (sending out information about initiative)
 - $2\sqrt{\text{members}}$
 - Starting new issue (election, proposal, dissolution)
 - $\text{members}/5$
 - Initiating session to overrule any other decision



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