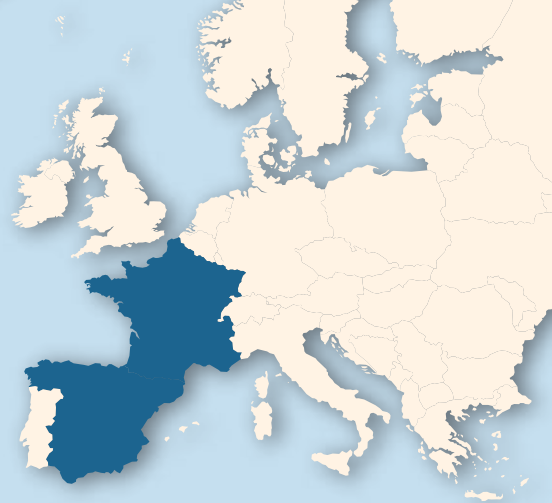


THE PROCEDURE OF "PUBLIC DEBATE" AND ITS ASSOCIATED INSTITUTION, CNDP



Location: **France & Spain**
Stakeholders: **CNDP**
(**Commission Nationale du Débat Public**), **CFDT**
trade union (various
federations and regional
unions), **Syndex** and
local stakeholders in
France, social partners
and civil society
organisations in Spain

France: Public debate is a participatory and deliberative democratic mechanism, governed by the French Environment Code. It ensures citizens and stakeholders play an active role in shaping decisions on major industrial projects.

Spain:

in Puertollano,
restoration work on an
olive grove area
increased **olive trees**
from:

7,000

27,000

providing a
livelihood for
nearly:

from:
40

100
families



A concrete example of how public debate leads to tangible social and environmental benefits.

In France and Spain, public debate which includes trade unions and civil society ensures transparency and inclusiveness. By giving stakeholders full access to information and real influence, industrial projects address social, environmental, and economic concerns more responsibly.



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