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# Election Observation of New Voting Technologies

Informal Meeting on Rec(2004)11 Vienna, Austria





#### **Definition**

Tools for conducting elections making use of information and communication technologies in casting, counting, and tabulating votes



## **ODIHR Experience To Date**

#### Preparations

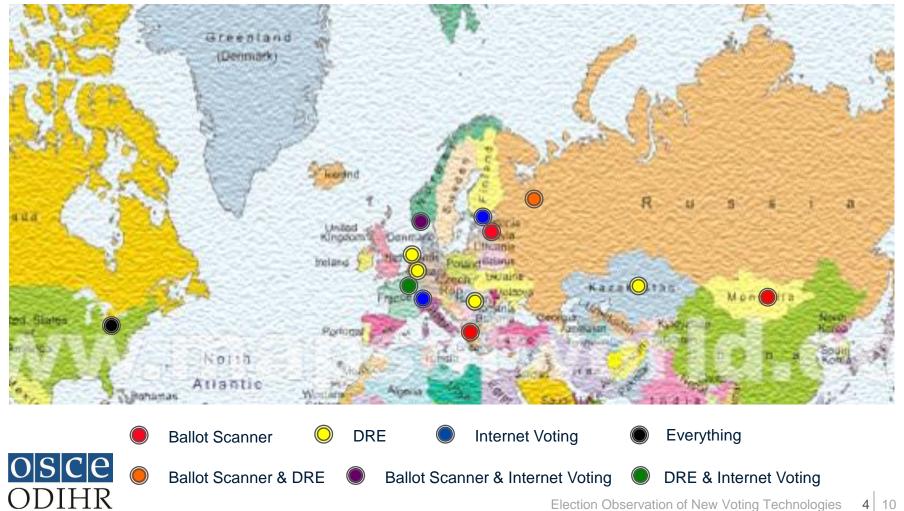
- Chairmanship Non-Paper 2005
- Two expert meetings in 2006, 2007
- Discussion paper on NVT in 2008

#### 25 Missions in 13 States with Assessment of NVT

Albania (2013), Belgium (2006, 2007), Bulgaria (2009), Estonia (2007, 2011), France (2007, 2012), Kazakhstan (2004, 2005, 2007), Latvia (2011), Mongolia (2013), Netherlands (2006, 2010), Norway (2011, 2013), Russia (2011, 2012), Switzerland (2011), United States (2004, 2006, 2008, 2010, 2012).



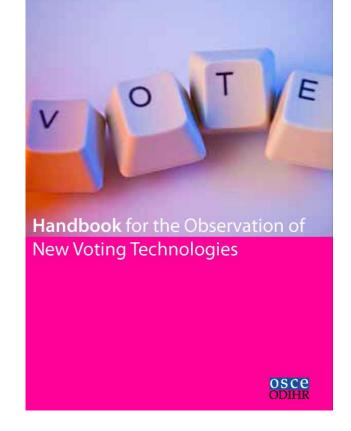
### Missions with Assessment of NVT



## Methodology: Handbook for Observation of NVT

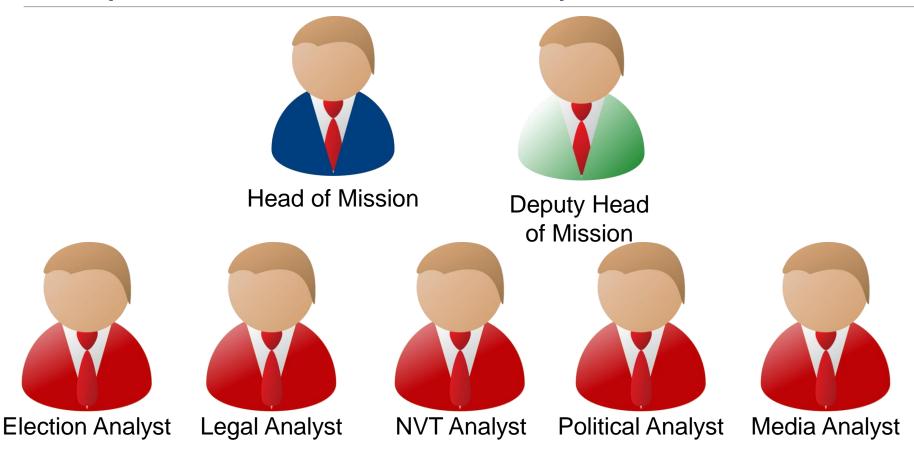
#### **Seven Guiding Principles**

- 1. Secrecy of the Vote
- 2. Integrity of Results
- 3. Equality of the Vote
- 4. Universality of the Vote
- 5. Transparency
- 6. Accountability
- 7. Public Confidence
- Looks at Context & NVT





## Composition of the Core or Expert Team





#### What to look at: Context

- Decision making
- Legal Context
- Electoral System
- Electoral Stakeholders





#### What to look at: NVT

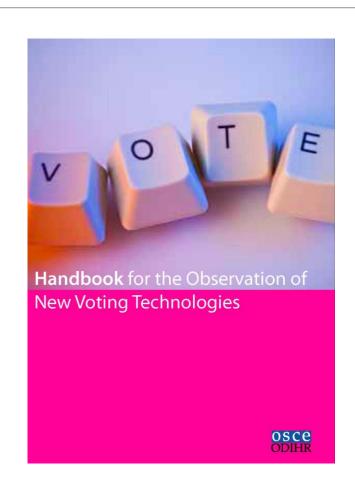
- Procurement
- Election Administration
- Multiple Voting Channels
- Oversight
- Risk Management
- Vendors
- Training of Election Officials
- Voter Education

- Secrecy
- Usability
- Public Testing
- Certification
- Verifiability
- Audits
- Observer Access



## Summary

- While they are new they still have to fulfill the existing commitments and standards
- NVT Observation takes longer
- → Handbook for Election Observation of New Voting Technologies





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