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## Civic Engagement in Public Service in Comparative Perspective

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Public administration has a multi-dimensional process. Public service delivery is complex and requires partnership with other organizations (public and private) and citizenry. Democratic understanding and participatory social culture is very important for democratic societies. Collaborative or participatory governance can be described as active involvement of citizens and civic organizations in government decision making processes. The term “governance” is, generally viewed as steering, the process that influences decisions and actions within the private, public, and civic sectors. This presentation will describe collaboration and governance in the perspective of deliberative democracy and citizen participation. The presentation uses civic engagement examples from Metropolitan Orlando Region and Istanbul Metropolitan Municipality, Turkey.

**Dr. Ertugrul Gundogan** is an associate professor in the department of Public Administration of FEAS, Fatih University. He conducts research on relationships and partnerships between the civil societal organizations and local governments as an example of governance approach. This study was a result of his research as a visiting scholar at the University of Central Florida between October 13, 2008 and September 30, 2009. Dr. Gundogan also studies Governance, Participatory Democracy and New Perspectives in Public Administration. His research at UCF is funded by Fatih University and Turkish National Scientific And Technological Research Foundation (TUBITAK).

