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THE IMPACT OF E-DEMOCRACY ON TRANSFORMATION OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION SYSTEM IN UKRAINE

Problem statement. Building-up an information society is one of the key tasks for all of the advanced countries worldwide. E-democracy favors creation of prerequisites for an open transparent administration of a state. That is why Ukraine has joined the global process of forming an innovation model of highly-technology society development. However, few researchers have given thought to the fact that the processes of e-democracy formation in Ukraine lead to changes in its public administration system and become a major factor of the latter’s current transformation.

Recent research and publications analysis. Recently, the problems of implementing e-governance and e-democracy in Ukraine have been elucidated by such domestic researchers as V. Bakumenko, M. Demkova, D. Dubov, V. Dziundziuk, O. Holobutskyi, N. Hrytsiak, P. Klimushyn, I. Koliushko, O. Kriukov, I. Lopushynskyi, A. Semenchenko, O. Shevchuk, S. Soloviov, K. Synytskyi and other scholars. However, the discussion covers mostly issues of implementing the national program of “Electronic Ukraine”, in particular creation of e-government and an efficient system of e-governance, while changes in the public administration system, caused by their implementation, practically remain understudied.

The paper objective is evaluation of the state and prospects for further transformation of the public administration system in Ukraine influenced by e-democracy.

The paper main body. In “new” democracy countries, Ukraine being a typical example, technologies of electronic governance have made a leap from an experimental category to that of everyday application. Obviously, e-democracy
implementation is not “a one-click matter” – it is a large-scale and long-term project, which transforms the very nature of power authorities, influencing their fundamental principles and making them more transparent, open and accountable to the public, society, and individual citizen.

E-democracy is closely connected with implementation of the principles of the new model of public administration – Good Governance, i.e. the foundation of exercising authority in the electronic form is laid by the principles of high performance, efficiency, participation, transparency, and accountability. The aims of e-democracy should be in compliance with the good governance goals, and namely: transparency, accountability, inclusion, accessibility, participation, sustainable development, trust in democracy, democratic institutions, and democratic processes, social solidarity. Under these conditions, the e-democracy instrumentality allows opening additional channels of communication between individual citizens, citizens and public authorities, public authorities and other participants of political and administrative processes etc.

In the present-day Ukraine, the process is ensured, in the first place, by the electronic information resources of public authorities, comprising an entire range of websites that belong to: President of Ukraine, Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, the Constitutional Court of Ukraine, the Supreme Economic Court of Ukraine, the Unified web portal of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine etc.

At the same time, e-democracy should always be based on democratic, humanistic, social, ethical, and cultural values of the society, where it is implemented.

Considering the unsatisfactory state of functioning of the actual public administration system, and taking into account the drastic changes taking place in the Ukrainian society under the impact of globalization tendencies, today’s opportune and sought-after target is application of all the e-democracy instruments in the course of renovation and reforming of the public administration system. In fact, e-democracy is turning into a factor that preconditions the transformation of the public administration system, and a tool that adapts it to information society challenges.
Conclusions of the research and prospects for further analysis.

Therefore, even now it can be stated that the processes of e-democracy formation in Ukraine are evolving quite rapidly. The Ukrainian information society calls for introduction of new up-to-date electronic forms of interaction with the state machinery. The e-democracy instrumentality is gradually opening additional channels of communication between individual citizens, citizens and public authorities, public authorities and other participants of political and administrative processes. In this respect, e-democracy becomes a factor that preconditions the transformation of the public administration system, and a tool that adapts it to information society challenges.

It is expedient to devote further surveys in the researched field to modeling the processes of public administration system transformation influenced by various factors, e-democracy including.