

Transparency, Participation, and the Institutionalization of Governance Reform in China

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征求意见截止日期: 2011年11月17日

Channels to submit comments:
online message, email, fax

Submission deadline: Nov 17, 2011

附件: 不动产拍卖规程

Attachment of draft regulation

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Online Consultation in China

- A recent governance reform
 - Legal foundations (2000~)
 - Dozens of government experiments
- Existing research
 - Case studies: health care reform; criminal procedure law
 - Systematic review: utilization and character across government organizations
- Research question
 - To what extent has online consultation in China institutionalized?

Methodology and Data

- Ministry of Commerce & Guangzhou Municipal Government
 - Disseminate the full texts of draft laws and regulations
 - Post public feedback to the Internet

| | Timeframe | Policy Consultations | Public Comments |
|--------------------------------|-----------|----------------------|-----------------|
| Ministry of Commerce | 2002-2016 | 189 | 2,657 |
| Guangzhou Municipal Government | 2010-2016 | 137 | 9,098 |

- Content analysis: consensus coding
 - Number of characters
 - Comment periods
 - Professional/Personal experience
 - Sentiments, etc.

Indicators of Institutionalization

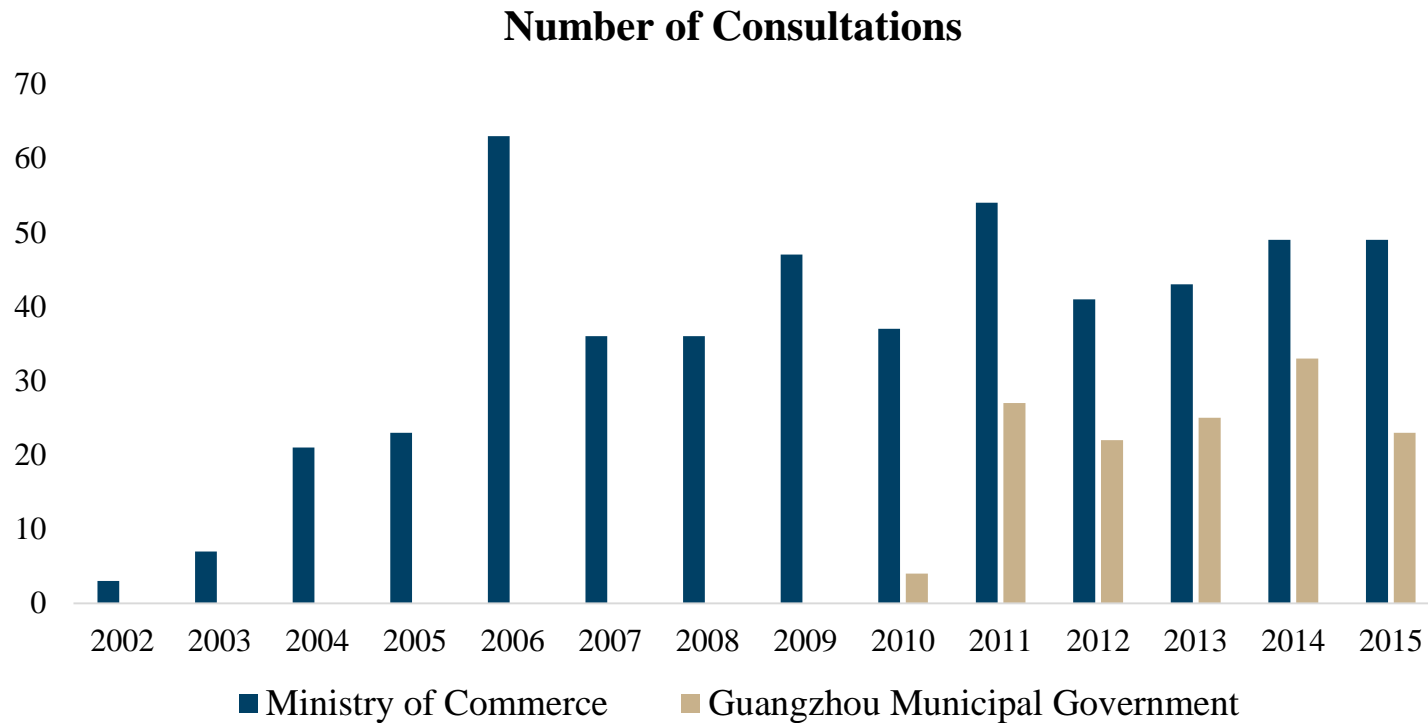
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2. Deepening

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Durability of Government Transparency

Indicator 1: Frequency of online consultation



Durability of Government Transparency

Indicator 2: Diffusion of online consultation across offices and policy areas

| Ministry of Commerce | Guangzhou Municipal Government |
|---|--------------------------------|
| Treaty and law | Housing |
| Market system development | Environment |
| Electronic commerce and informatization | Government operations |
| Outward investment and economic cooperation | Infrastructure |
| Anti-monopoly | Science and technology |
| Circulation industry development | Arts, culture, and education |

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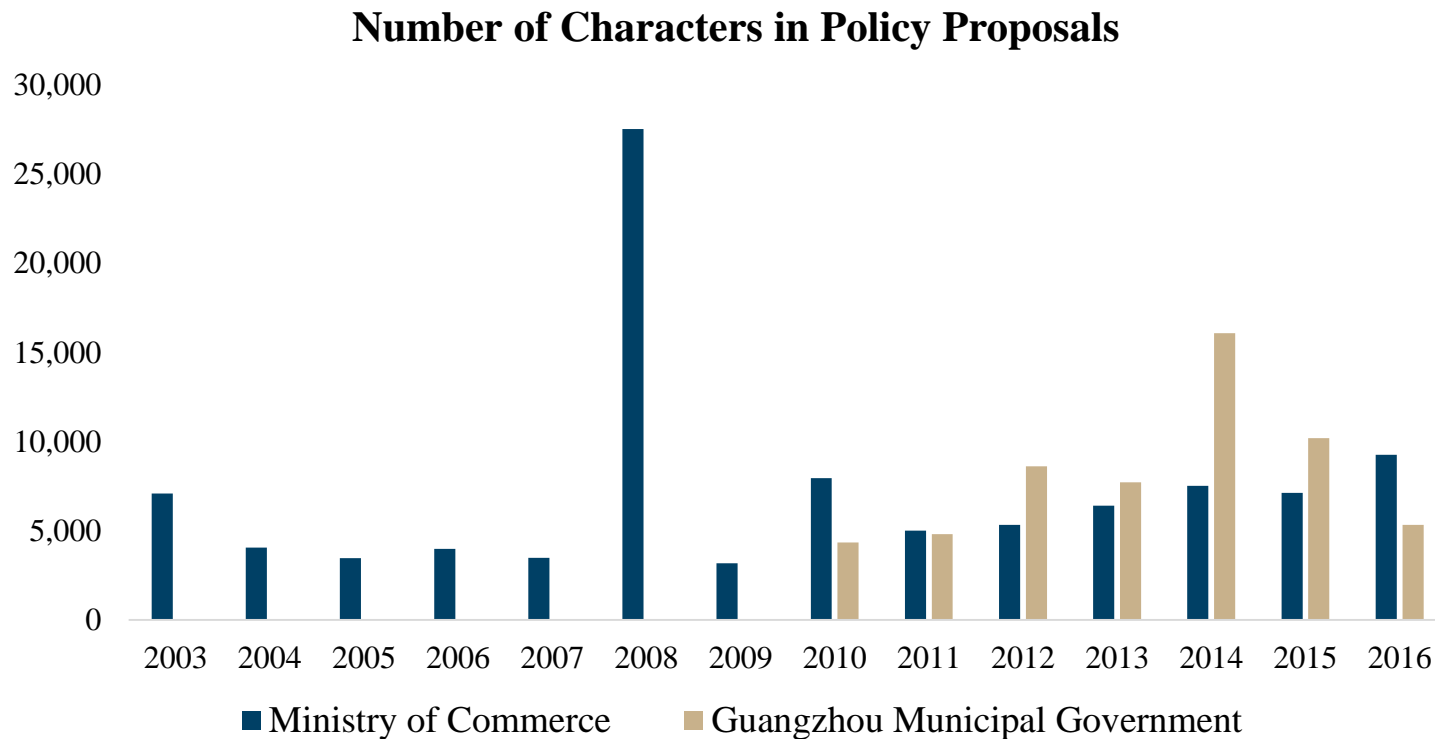
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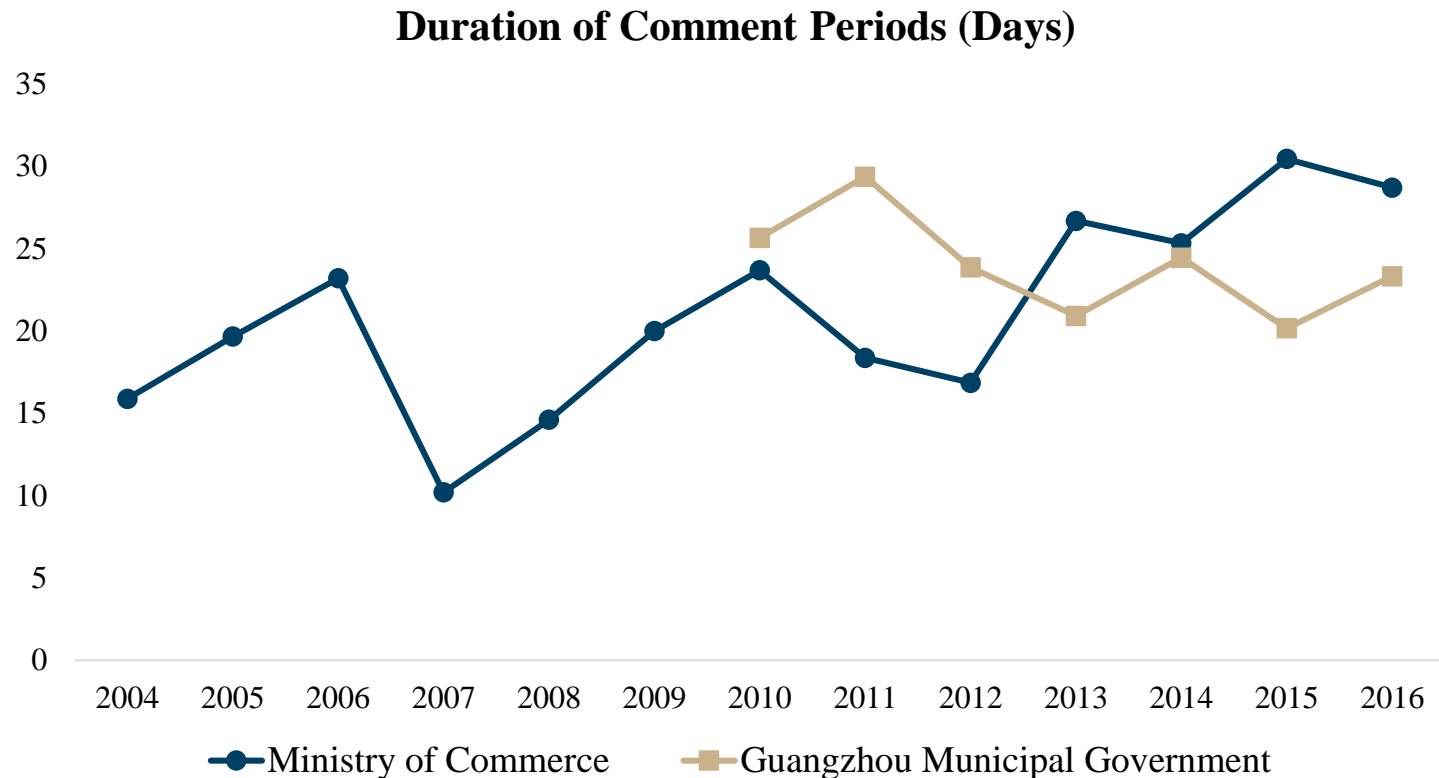
Indicator 1: Level of detail of policy proposals



Note: The y-axis represents the average number of characters in policy proposals in a particular year.

Deepening of Government Transparency

Indicator 2: Duration of comment periods



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Indicators of Institutionalization

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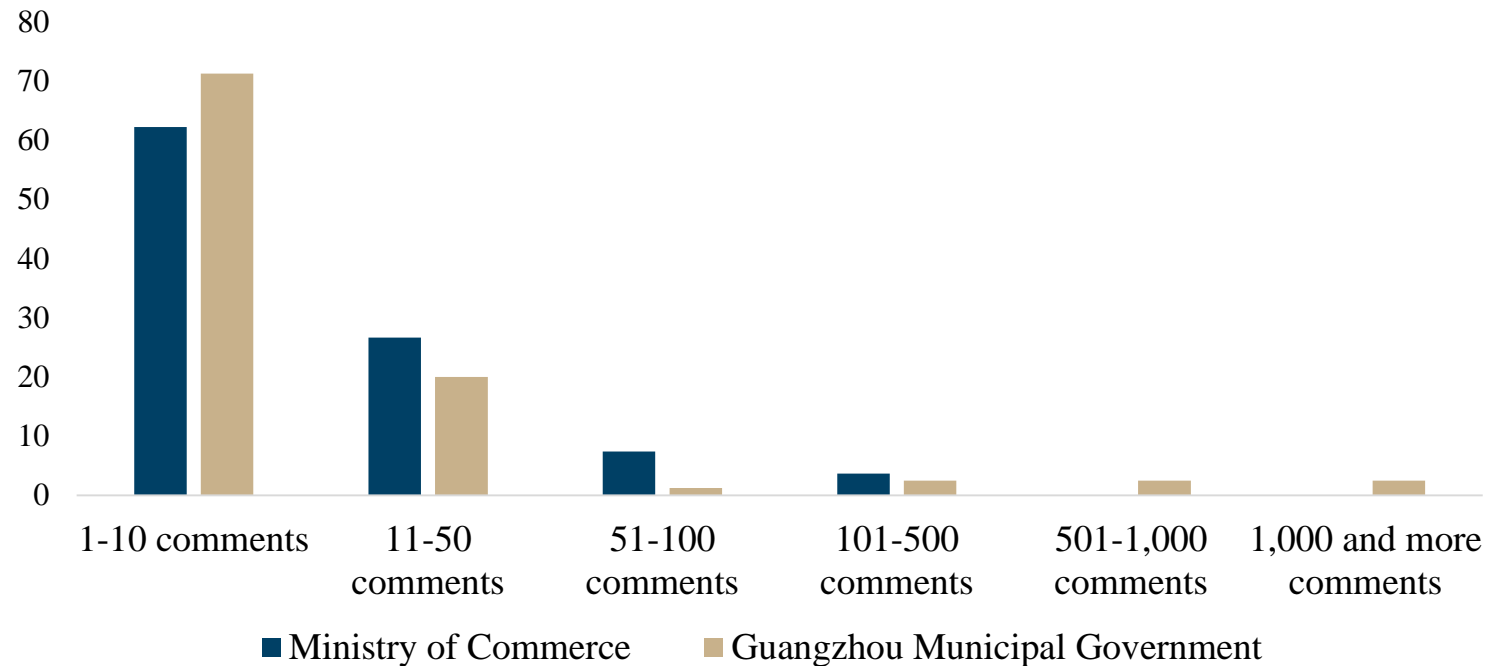
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Durability of Public Participation

Indicator: Volume of Comments

Number of Comments on Policy Proposals



Note: The y-axis represents the percentage of policy proposals receiving a particular range of comments.

Indicators of Institutionalization

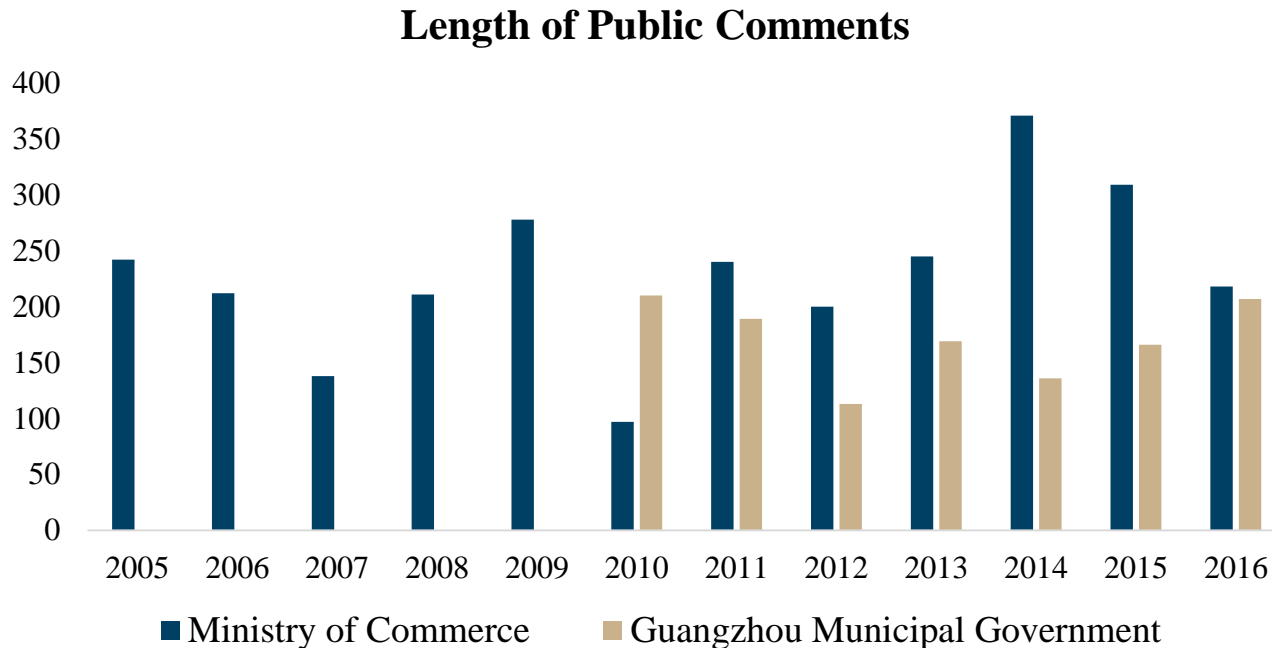
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Deepening of Public Participation

Indicator 1: Level of Detail of Comments



Note: The y-axis represents the average number of characters of public comments submitted in a particular year.

Deepening of Public Participation

Indicator 2: Expertise of Comments

Professional experience:

“As a newspaper courier, I do not support a prohibition on electric bicycles. This restriction would be devastating to our industry and others that rely heavily on electric bicycles. Electric bicycles reduce our delivery times in half and make our work less arduous...”

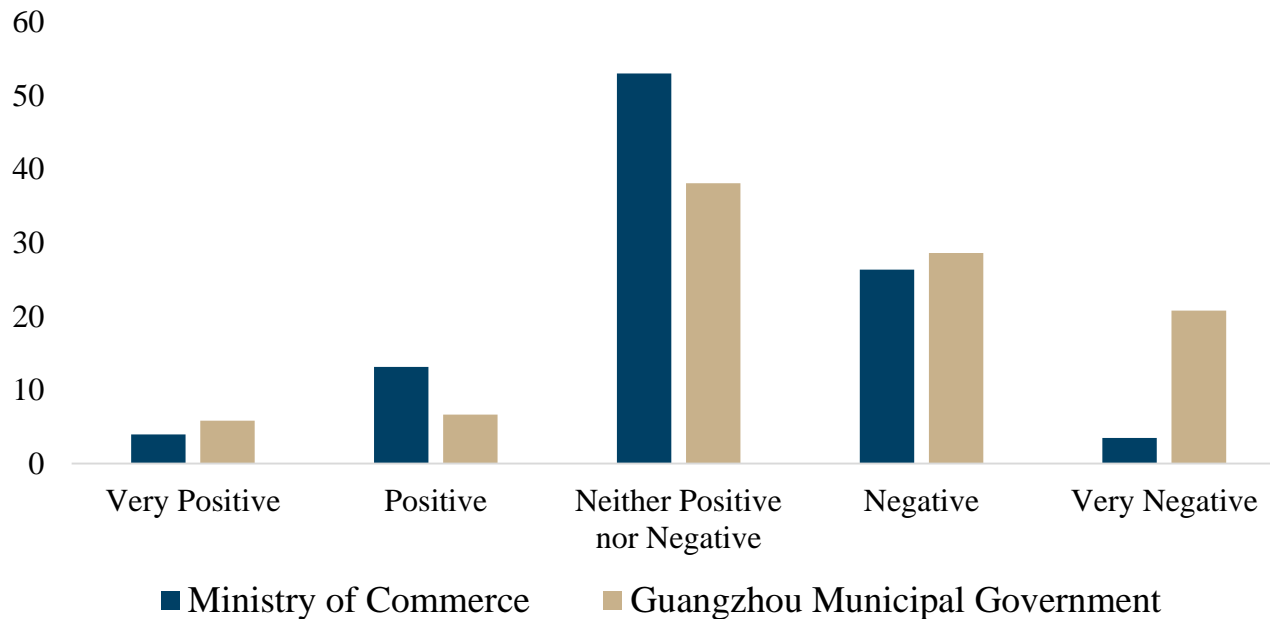
Personal experience:

“I am an only child, and my husband had a brother who passed away when he was young. Under Shanghai regulations, my husband is considered an only child. The Guangdong Provincial Health and Family Planning Commission, however, says that my husband does not count as an only child...”

Deepening of Public Participation

Indicator 3: Sentiment of Comments

Sentiment of Public Comments toward Policy Proposals



Note: Each bar represents the percentage of public comments expressing a particular type of sentiment.

Conclusion

Online consultation has deepened government transparency to a greater degree than public participation.



- Government Transparency:
 - Durable consultation practices
 - Detailed policy information & ample opportunities for public feedback
- Public participation:
 - Modest volume of feedback & insufficient transmission of professional expertise
 - Evident communication of political information (e.g., sentiments) – possibility of operating as a “safety valve” in policymaking?

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