

YP Coordinators Working Group Meeting

30 April 2026

11.00 - 12.00 CET, Teams



Second Evaluation of the BIK+ Strategy

Agenda

- Introductory overview of the second evaluation of the BIK+ strategy, presented by Francesco Romano, Policy & Evidence Coordinator at EUN – 15 minutes
- Roundtable discussion on lessons learned from the first evaluation and an exchange of best practices for the second evaluation – 40 minutes

Second Evaluation of the BIK+ Strategy

Context

- The first evaluation of the BIK+ strategy (2025) was a **consultation-based** review of progress and success since the strategy's adoption. It applied a qualitative methodology which focused on children's experiences and perceived changes.
- The evaluation gathered evidence from **759** children and young people through **84** focus groups in **22** countries.
- Support from **SICs and expert organisations** in reaching out to (vulnerable) children and young people

Second BIK+ evaluation: data collection approach

- What are the main sources of evidence?

| Target group | Survey | Focus groups |
|---------------------------|--------|--------------|
| Children and young people | x | x |
| Teachers/educators | x | |
| Parents/caregivers | x | |
| SICs | x | |
| Experts | | x |

What is new vs the first evaluation?

- First evaluation was mainly qualitative
- This second evaluation adds quantitative survey components
- E.g., SIC survey
- The aim is still not statistical representativeness, but broader coverage and stronger triangulation across data sources

How SICs are envisaged to support delivery

- Carry out focus groups with CYP
 - All materials will be prepared by EUN, and offered in national language
- Help disseminate the CYP survey (three routes)
- Support outreach to CYP, including vulnerable groups
 - As for first evaluation: open call for expert organisations (SICs are welcome to apply)

Tentative timeline

May-June: sampling / dissemination planning with SICs

July: dissemination pack prepared

August: surveys launched

September to October: CYP focus groups

Focus groups with CYP

Foreseen involvement of SICs

- Carry out national focus groups
- To the extent possible, involve experienced youth representatives in co-hosting or co-facilitating sessions
- Support inclusion by helping us reach children who are less likely to participate through open dissemination routes

Lessons Learned on the first BIK+ evaluation

Questions – 20 minutes

- 1) Were you involved in the first evaluation? What was your role?
- 2) What worked well?
- 3) What could have been improved?
- 4) Regarding the focus groups conducted during the consultation, was 60 minutes sufficient to gather comprehensive answers?
- 5) Was the number of participants - up to 10 - appropriate, or were there too many?
- 6) Are there any lessons learned that you would like to share?

Best practices for the second BIK+ evaluation

Questions – 20 minutes

- 7) Which dissemination channels are used in your country? Which work best?
- 8) Which channels work best when reaching children below the age of 12? And those above?
- 9) What are the most effective techniques for reaching children in vulnerable or disadvantaged situations? Are there any good practices you could share?
- 10) Are there any practical constraints related to survey dissemination you would like to share?

News & Updates

YPWG meeting in May

- The next meeting is on Thursday 21 May at 11:00 CEST on Teams.
- If you wish to discuss a topic within the YPWG, please reach out to Carolina and Chiara via email.

Thank you!