

# Welcome to Day 2 of the BePart Teacher Capacity Building Programme!

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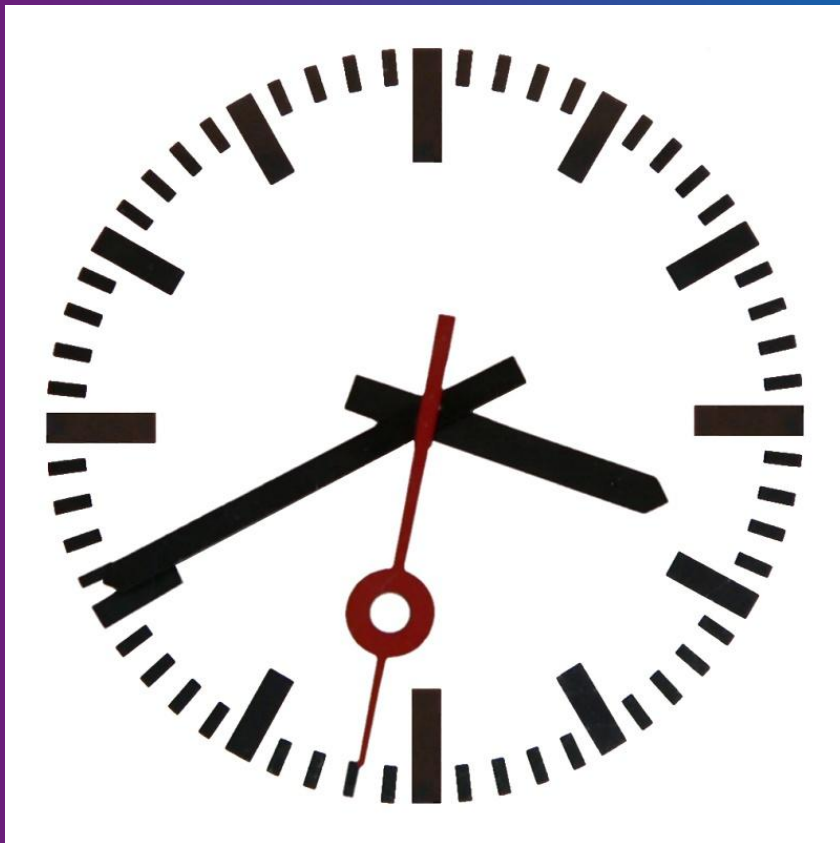
# WARM UP! / ACTION SYNERGY



Let's get to know each other more (give an oral answer to **one** of the following)

- If you were on a deserted island and you could only bring one book, what book would you bring?
- What wild animal would you rather be?
- List your three favourite people

# WHAT WILL WE BE DOING TODAY?



**14.00** - Welcome & warm up

**14.15** - Share back your introductory session with students

**14.35** - Discussion from the readings

**14.55** - Overview of the BePart process

**15.10** - Presentation of the MYPs

**15.45 - 15.55** - *Break*

**16.00** - Presentation of the preparation & cooperation phases

**16.15** - Context Analysis & Needs Assessment tools

**16.45** - Next steps: homework & questions

**16.55** - Closing remarks

**17.00** - End of workshop

# YOUR TRAINERS TODAY



**Elena  
Silvestrini**  
Facilitator -  
Platoniq  
@ Rome



**Marta  
Anducas**  
Facilitator -  
Platoniq  
@ Barcelona



**Ifigenia  
Georgiadou**  
Facilitator -  
Action Synergy  
@ Santorini



**Shall we record this session?  
(the main room).**

**Is it ok to take screenshots?**

# The process of implementing

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### Creation of fellowships

MYP selection

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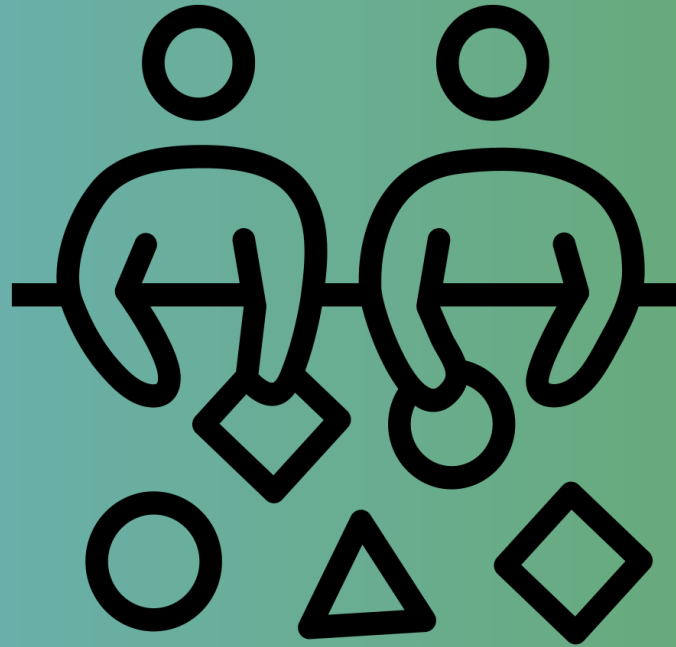
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# HOW DID THE SESSION WITH THE STUDENTS GO?



# READINGS & REFLECTIONS

Do you have any reflections on the readings for this week?

Does any of the topics you have encountered speak to your experience as a teacher?

Did you have a chance to speak to your students about any of these issues?

**PARTICIPATION / POWER / SAFETY / DECISION MAKING /  
FACILITATION**



# The process of implementing: overview



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# The process of implementing: what reporting?

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Who will participate, interest, knowledge and skills

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MYP Action plan

design and development

Major problem(s), deadlines, challenges, actions step by step, resources

## (3) COOPERATION PHASE

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When and how can we invite

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Objectives, deadlines, responsible persons, activities, ground rules, obstacles, monitoring, processes

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Impact measurement & Model adaptability

# The process of implementing: what tools?

## Implementation guide

Intended for Teachers  
Guidelines how to fill in the report

## Youth implementation guide

Intended for Students  
Advice to other students on how to implement a Model  
1-2 page long

## Poster of a model

Brief visual presentation of a Model we implemented  
1 page long

## Reporting documents

Templates to report by filling in details on implementation  
Action plan template

## Guidelines on documentation

Visual documentation  
Presentation of reports

# Tools: Poster of a Model

--Title of the Model-by whom (2018)  
--Title of our school project

## MYP description

What is the concept of this MYP?

## Level of participation

In which level it allows to participate?

## Main problems addressed by this MYP

Which problem can be solved through it?

## Setting / context to intervene

Home/ School/ Local/ National/ International?

## Limitations and challenges

Lack of Resources? of accountability? of follow-up? Other?

## Recommendations

How does it support participation? By which factors?

## Graphical scheme

## Adaptation

Can the model be adapted? Where and how?

# Tools: Youth Implementation Guide

--Title of the Model-by whom (2018)  
--Title of our school project

Advice and guidelines from Students to Students

## INCEPTION

- ✓ Did our project team include students from different backgrounds?
- ✓ Was the Model relevant to our school context?
- ✓ How did we motivate and engage everyone?

## PREPARATION

- ✓ What was the major problem in our school to address and how did we find it?
- ✓ What challenges did we have to overcome?
- ✓ What resources did we find?

## EVALUATION

- ✓ What were the criteria to evaluate what we did?
- ✓ What tools did we use to evaluate?
- ✓ Are we happy with the impact of our project?
- ✓ Can our Model be used by other groups of students in a different context?

## COOPERATION

- ✓ Which persons and groups did we invite from the larger school community?
- ✓ Which persons and groups did we invite from the local community?

## IMPLEMENTATION

- ✓ Who was responsible for what?
- ✓ What can we advise about deadlines?
- ✓ What were the ground rules to follow?
- ✓ How did we overcome the obstacles?
- ✓ How did we capture and document everything?



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# What is a Model of Youth Participation (MYP)?

is a theoretical framework



## What is it for?

to guide the participatory process

to classify participatory practices

to evaluate the impact of the intervention



## In what?

design

implementation

evaluation



## Of what?

schools and its relation with community environments

# What are the possible scenarios of schools' youth-led participation and students' empowerment?

## Innovative, traditional and alternative forms of youth participation in decision making

	Alternative forms	Traditional forms
Innovative forms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Digital participation</li> <li>▶ Co-management</li> <li>▶ Co-production</li> <li>▶ Deliberative participation</li> <li>▶ Participation spaces</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Use of new methodologies to encourage traditional participation</li> </ul>
Non-innovative forms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Youth councils and similar structures</li> <li>▶ Youth activism and protest</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Voting</li> <li>▶ Membership of political parties</li> <li>▶ Trade union membership</li> </ul>

"Will you continue to use the digital platform? I think so, it is necessary. (...) **Digital platforms** are essential because it is not very complicated."

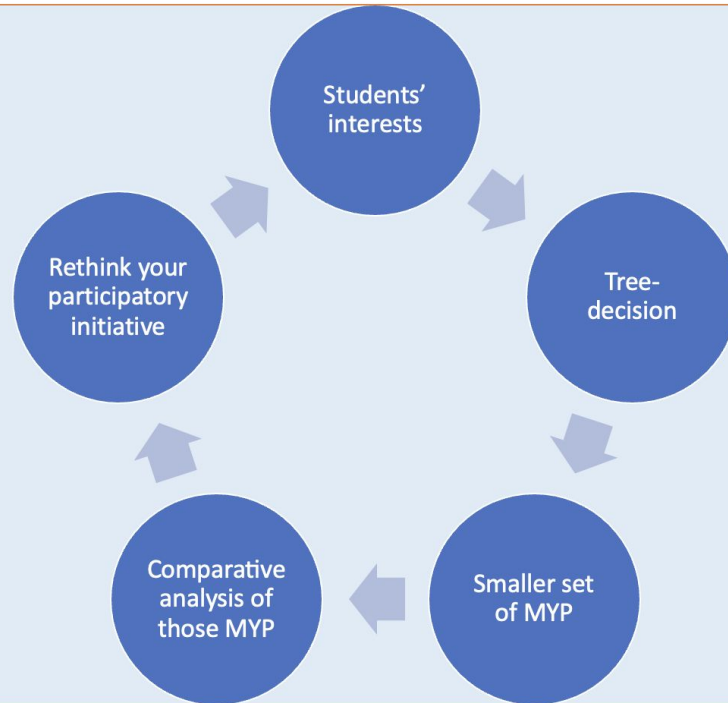
"The **Participatory Budget** is a national initiative... They choose, decide, vote ... (example of the covered outside the school)" .

"We verified through some projects that we participated with students in the scope of the **European Youth Parliament**, we contacted that there was a methodology ... that could ... be positive and therefore internally we organized together with the students that .... had experienced these dynamics we set up devices and a program that promoted participation through the Students Assembly."

"Another way to involve students is through the **assembly of delegates**, in which they discuss among themselves ... and we try to meet their ideas, often explaining and accepting suggestions".

Before choosing a MYP, think about...

## How to find a MYP?



1) What type of decision-making power will youth have?

2) Who will be the individuals leading/facilitating?

3) Will youth decide what issues to take on or have projects already been established?

4) Will youth choose what tactics to use to implement the project?

5) Will youth define the project's goals?

6) What kind of activities will be organized/participated/disseminated?

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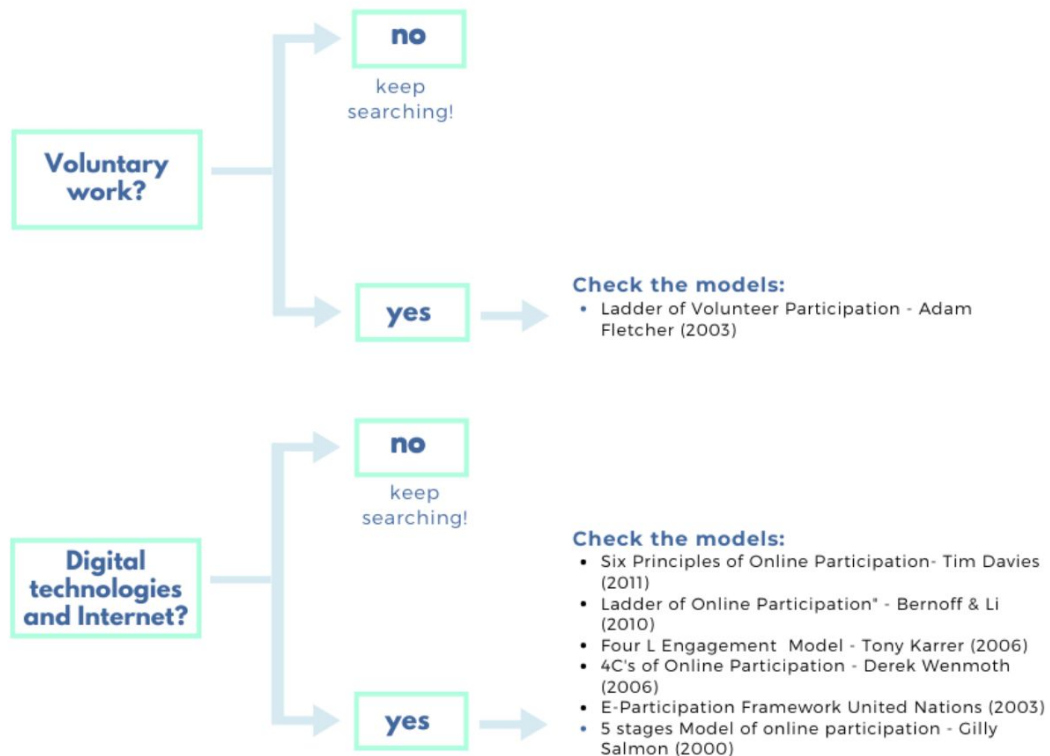
# How to choose a MYP?

## BE PART developed a decision-tree

(Handbook, pp. 12-14)

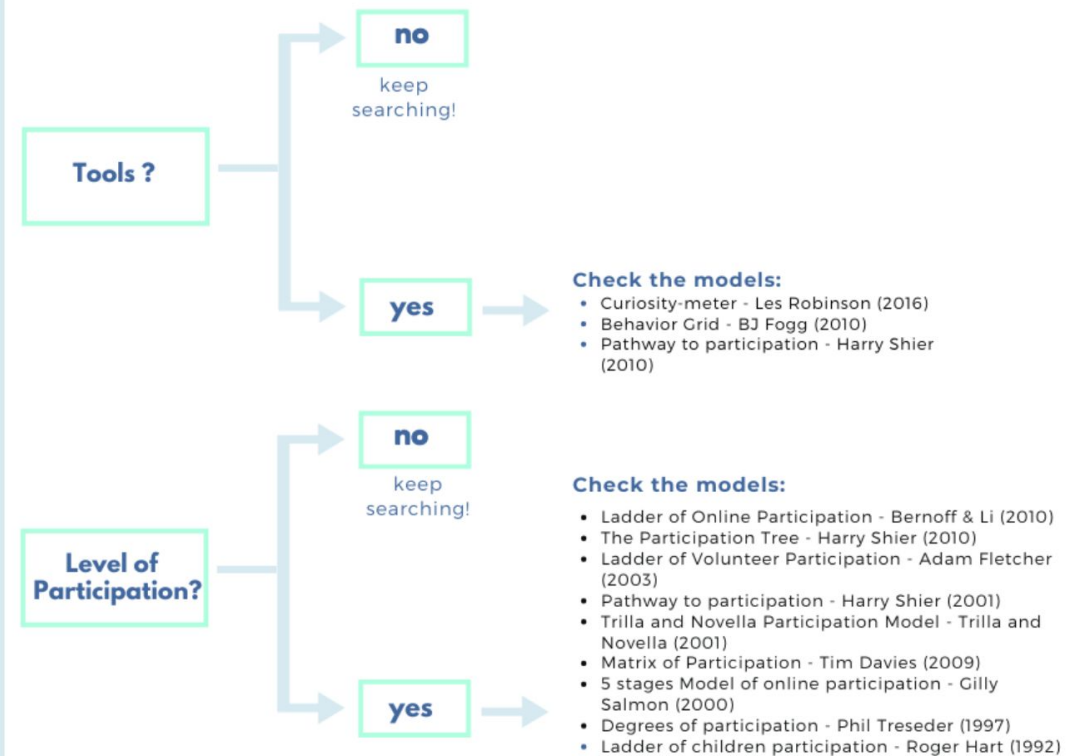
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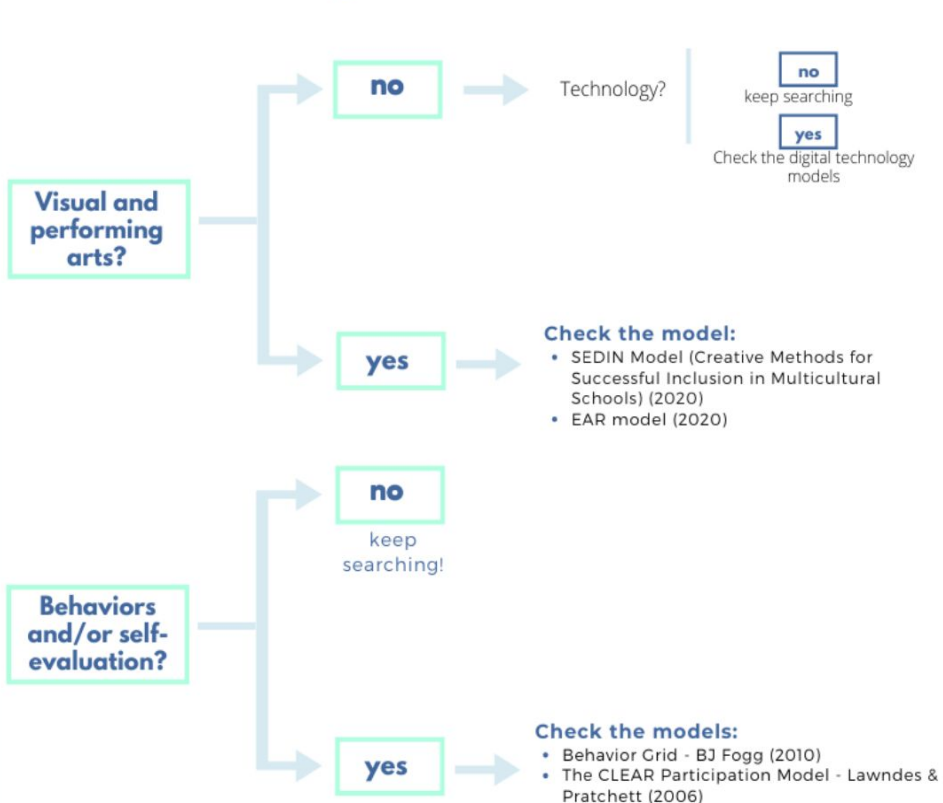
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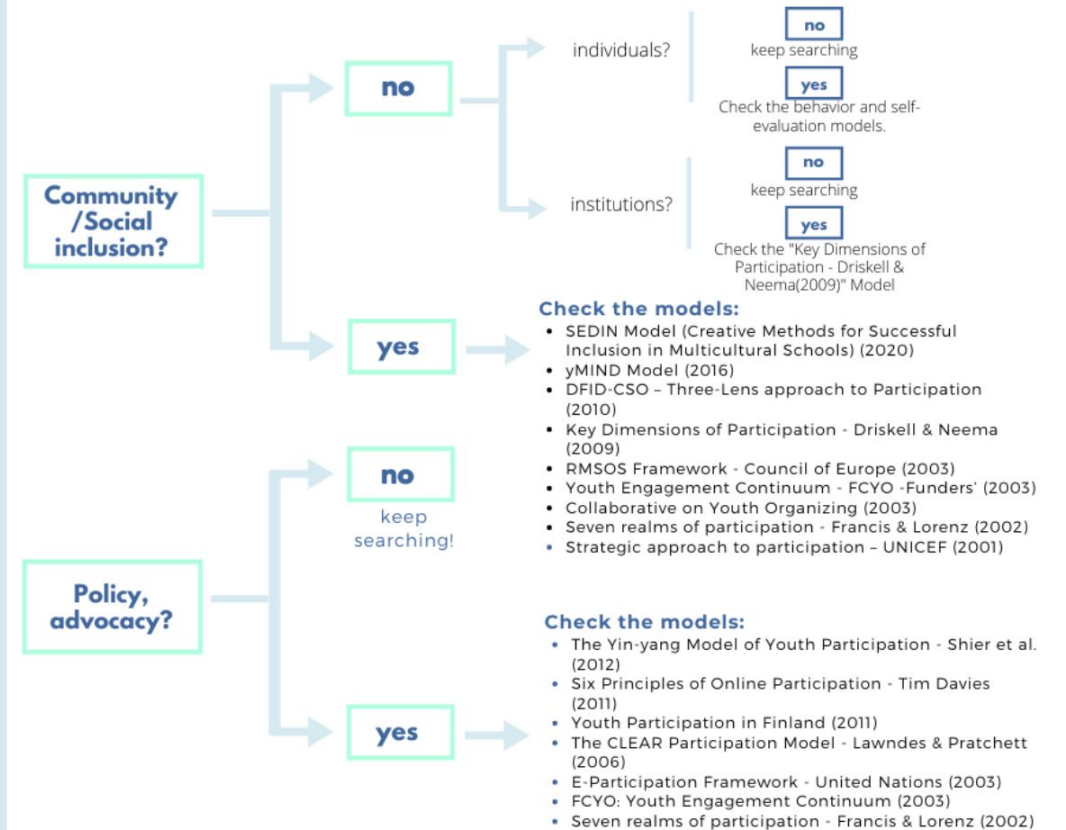
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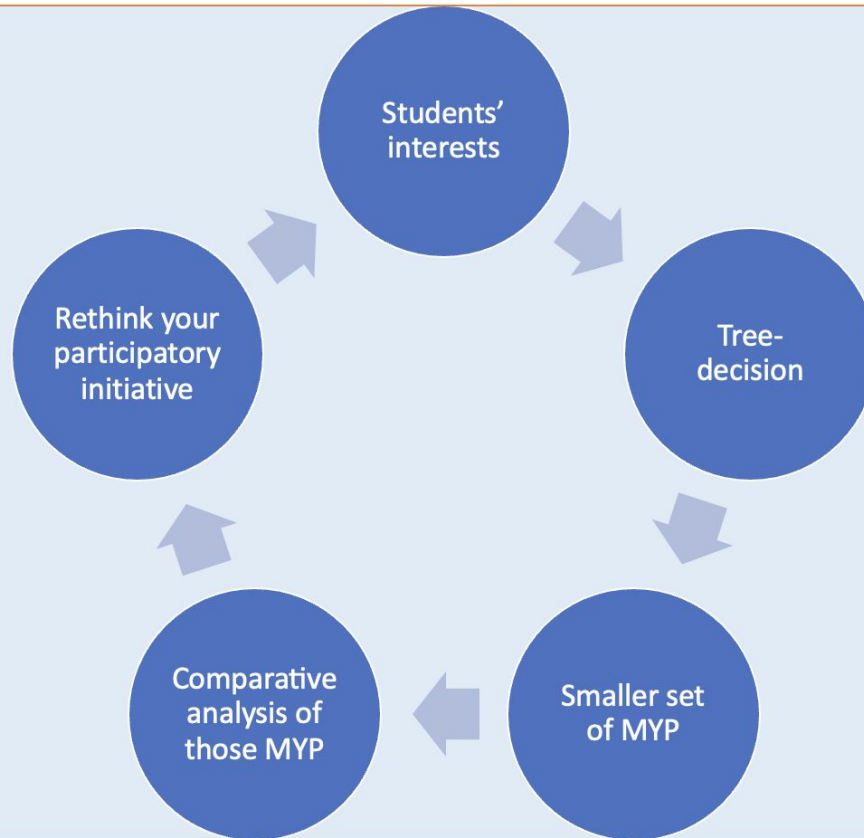




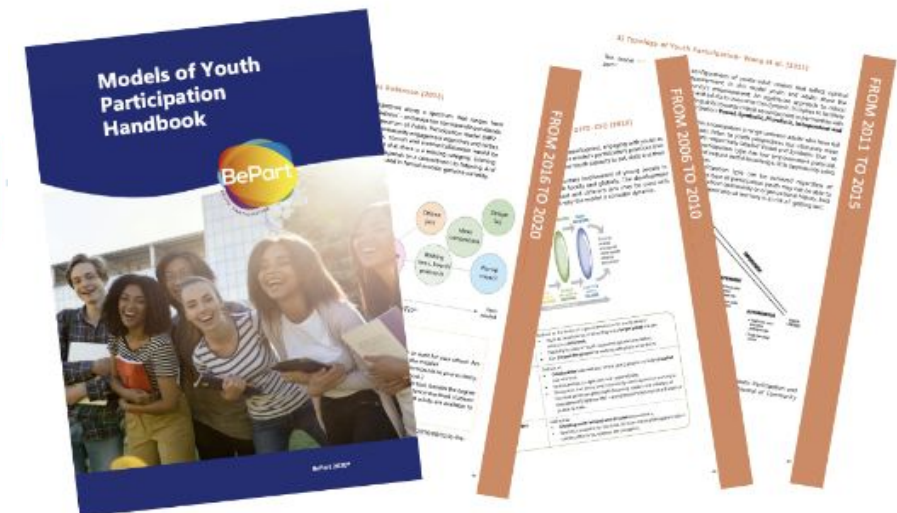
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**The decision-tree aims to help the MYP choice to be implemented at schools, considering students' interests in youth-led participation!**



# How many MYP are there?

There are several MYP with different focus:

- Typologies and degrees of youth participation;
- Contextual, cultural, institutional and practical factors;
- The results of the participatory process in terms of youth empowerment
- Teachers and schools empower different degrees of commitment.

A set of **28 MYP** were considered in BE PART

(organized in time periods, according to the date of their publication/dissemination, and sequenced in alphabetical order, considering models' denomination).



Any doubts about MYP selection, please contact:

2 Gymnasio Geraka → Action Synergy

Escola Virolai → Platoniq Sistema Cultural

Escola Secundária de Paços de Ferreira and Valmieras  
Pargaujas sakumskola → CIIE/UPorto

Thank you!

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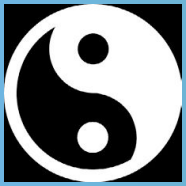


# Models of Youth Participation (MYP)

## The Yin-Yang MYP

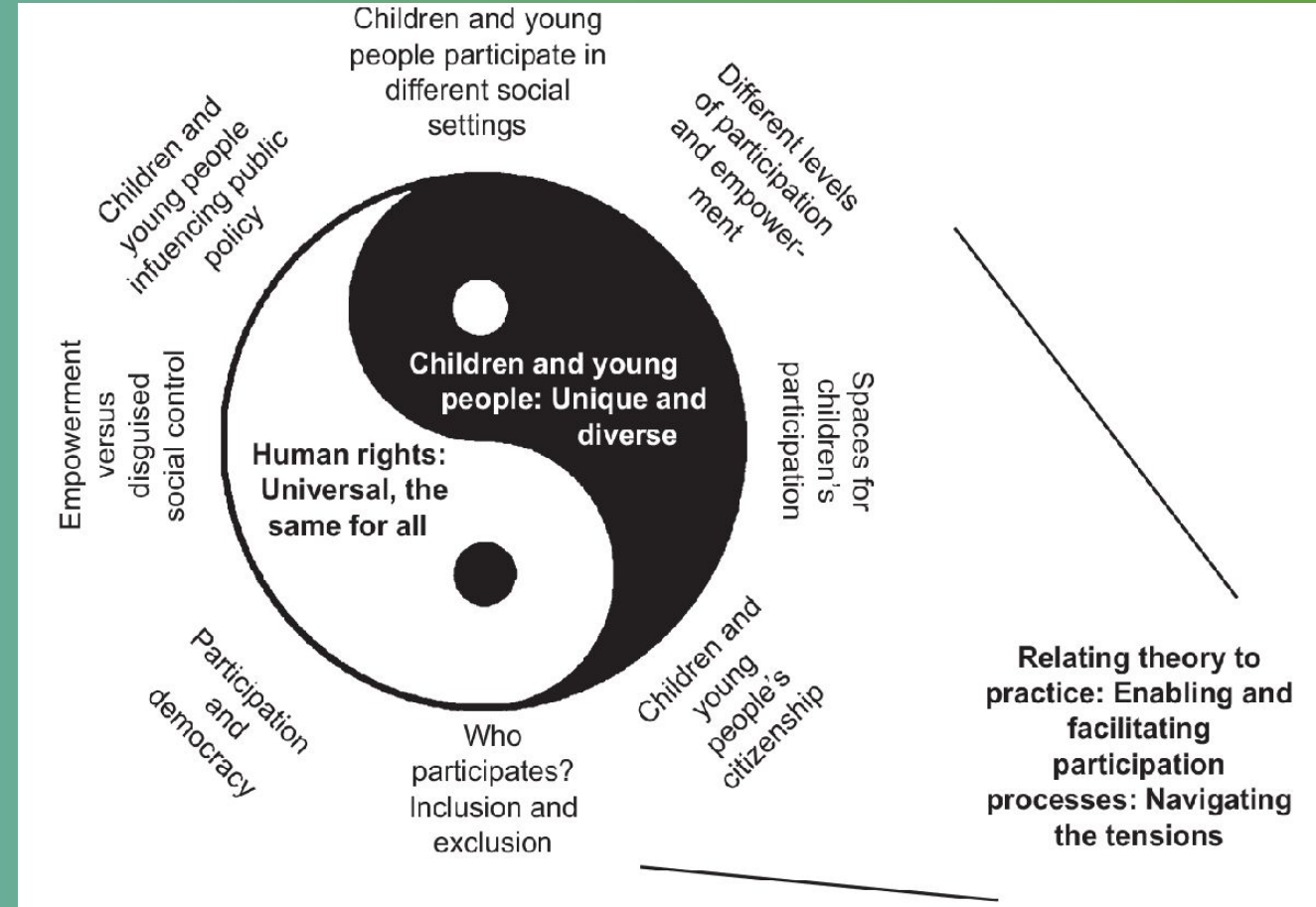
### Example by Action Synergy





# Yin-Yang MYP: How to use this framework in your school? (1)

- The Model is aiming to empower young people to participate in decision making at different levels
- It enables and facilitates participation processes
- **YIN-YANG: children and young people are Unique and Diverse**
- **YIN-YANG: human rights are Universal and the Same for all**
- It relates theory to practice





## Yin-Yang MYP: How to use this framework in your school? (2)

**Eight key concepts. Analytical reflection on each of these eight areas can contribute to more effective and responsive practice**

### WHO PARTICIPATES?

Inclusion to decision making / exclusion from decision making

### PARTICIPATION AND DEMOCRACY

Participation is an integral part of democracy. However, there are socially embedded popular constructs of childhood in most of the world

### EMPOWERMENT

Empowerment versus disguised social control. Children are seen as having limited capacity due to their limited social and intellectual development

### INFLUENCING

Children and young people influence public policy. Identified pre-conditions, participation spaces and ways of organising for effective advocacy, and facilitation methods that had proved effective.

### PARTICIPATION

Children and young people participate in different social settings and contexts



## Yin-Yang MYP: How to use this framework in your school? (3)

### LEVELS OF PARTICIPATION

Different levels of participation and empowerment of children and young people

### SPACES OF PARTICIPATION

The public decision-making sphere is just one of the many settings where children and young people exercise their right to participate. Important to have their own participation spaces

### CITIZENSHIP

Children and young people attending meetings with adult decision makers, including forums, lobbies and other advocacy activities. Involving them not just in making initial decisions, but also in monitoring and follow-up to ensure that proposed changes take effect in practice

The project team seeks answers to the following questions:

- What are the main problems faced by children and young people seeking to influence public policy?
- What prior conditions increase children and young people's chances of influencing policy?
- What spaces or forms of organisation help children and young people achieve policy influence?
- What methods and approaches by adult helpers/facilitators increase children and young people's influence on policy-makers? (see handout)

# Models Implemented Last Year



Six Principles of  
online participation



Participation  
Tree



Finish  
Model



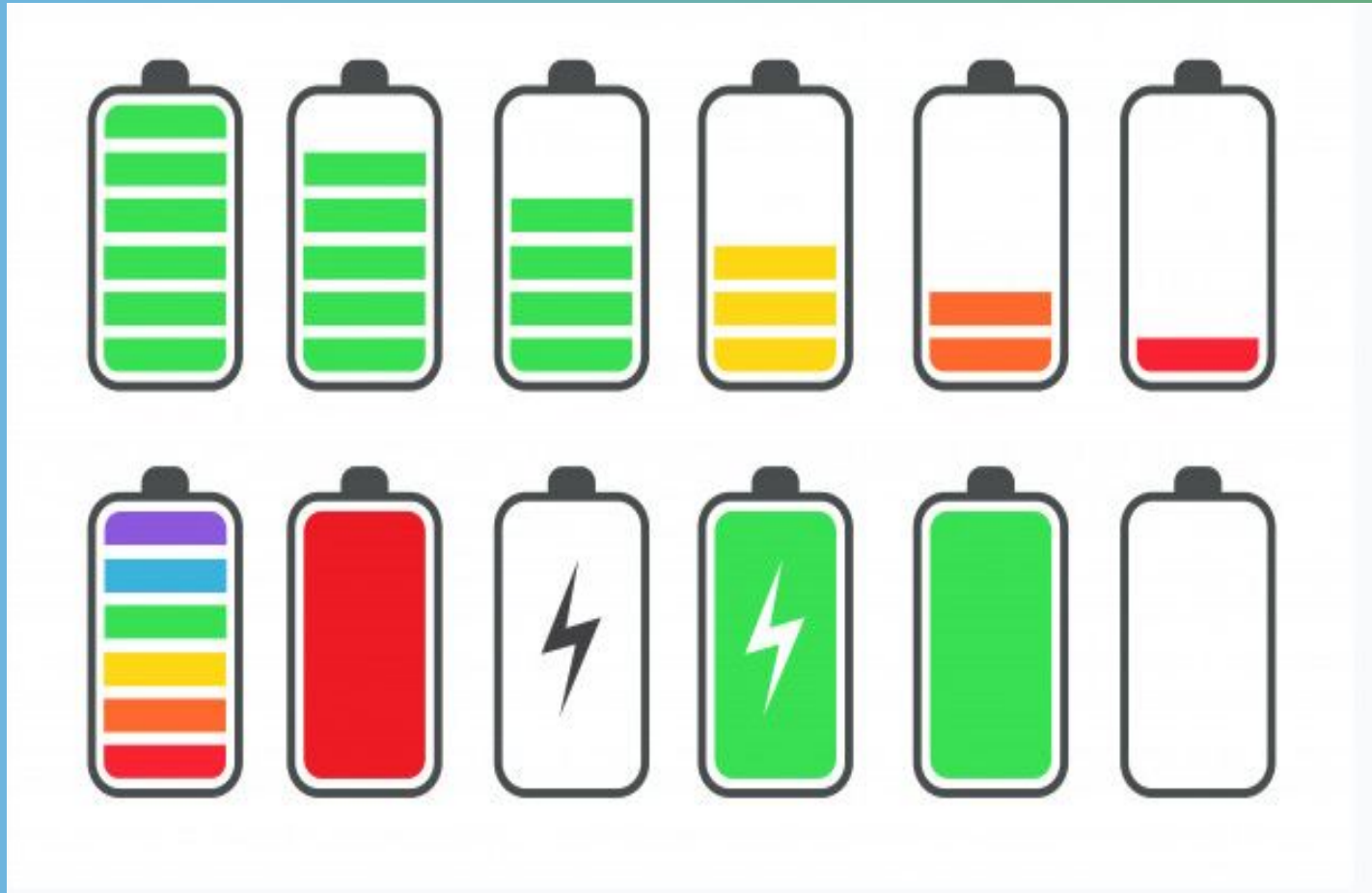
EAR  
Model

Five stages model of  
online participation





# ENERGISER! / ACTION SYNERGY



Share in the chat a photo from the internet of a place where you would like to be right now!

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# Example of a template: MYP Action Plan design and development

- What is the major problem in our school community that we want to address?
- What are the minor problems that can also be addressed by the implementation of the model of youth participation (MYP) that we have chosen?
- Until when we need - we plan to address these problems?
- What challenges will we have to overcome?
- How do we want to implement our model of youth participation (MYP) and what actions can we design step by step?
- ...

	<b>Objective</b>	<b>Task</b>	<b>Responsible</b>	<b>Deadline</b>	<b>What to do</b>	<b>Obstacles</b>	<b>Monitoring process</b>
<b>1.</b>							
<b>2.</b>							
<b>3.</b>							
<b>4.</b>							
<b>5.</b>							
<b>6.</b>							
<b>7.</b>							

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# Example of Reporting back

**Resources – Support we needed for all actions**

	<b>Materials</b>	<b>Spaces</b>	<b>Human resources</b>	<b>Support by</b>
<b>External</b>				
<b>Internal</b>				

# Next step: Selection of MYPs

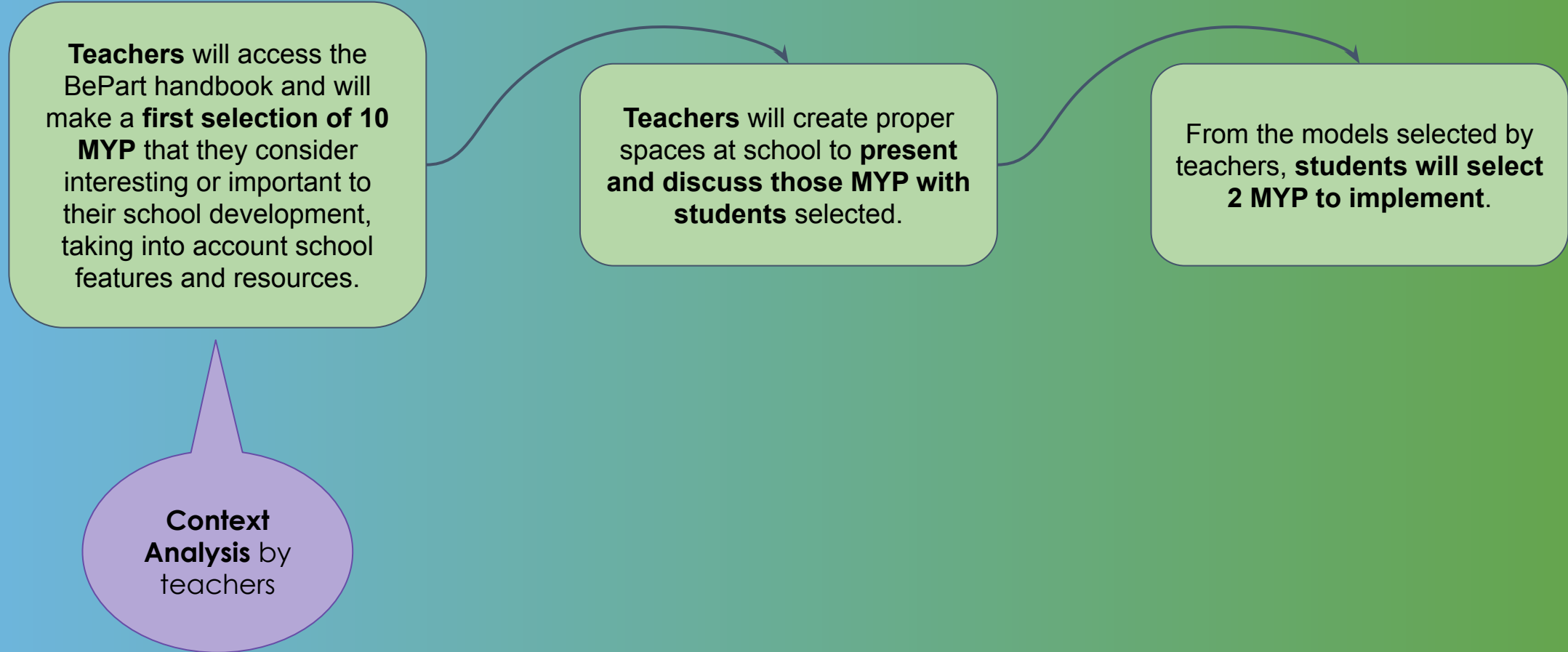


Let's move forward!

# SELECTION OF THE MYP

Tasks & responsibilities

Useful tools



# CONTEXT ANALYSIS / 1

## WHAT WILL STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN?

Each school is (probably) already independently assessing what is the “perimeter” of action of the participatory processes to be deployed in collaboration with their student population.

That is: schools involved in the BePart process are already identifying “what” students will be participating in and what are the areas that can be worked on.



**How can we make sure that this identified “perimeter” of action is informed by a structured understanding of the school context, coherent between the 4 schools?**

# CONTEXT ANALYSIS / 2

## WHAT WILL STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN?

Thanks to this exercise, **your understanding of the characteristics of the school can be synthesised and simplified, ready for it to inform the participatory process and for teachers to have an idea about the areas to work on.**

You don't have to reinvent the wheel! Most of this information is already available at your school level.

Some of it requires you to carry out a personal reflection.

**LET'S WORK ON THIS TOGETHER WITH THE TEACHERS FROM YOUR SCHOOL!**



# BREAKOUT ROOMS

Work on the context analysis of your school

(1) Characteristics of the school	
WHAT IS THE AGE RANGE OF STUDENTS?	WHAT KIND OF SCHOOL IS IT? (professional, technical..)

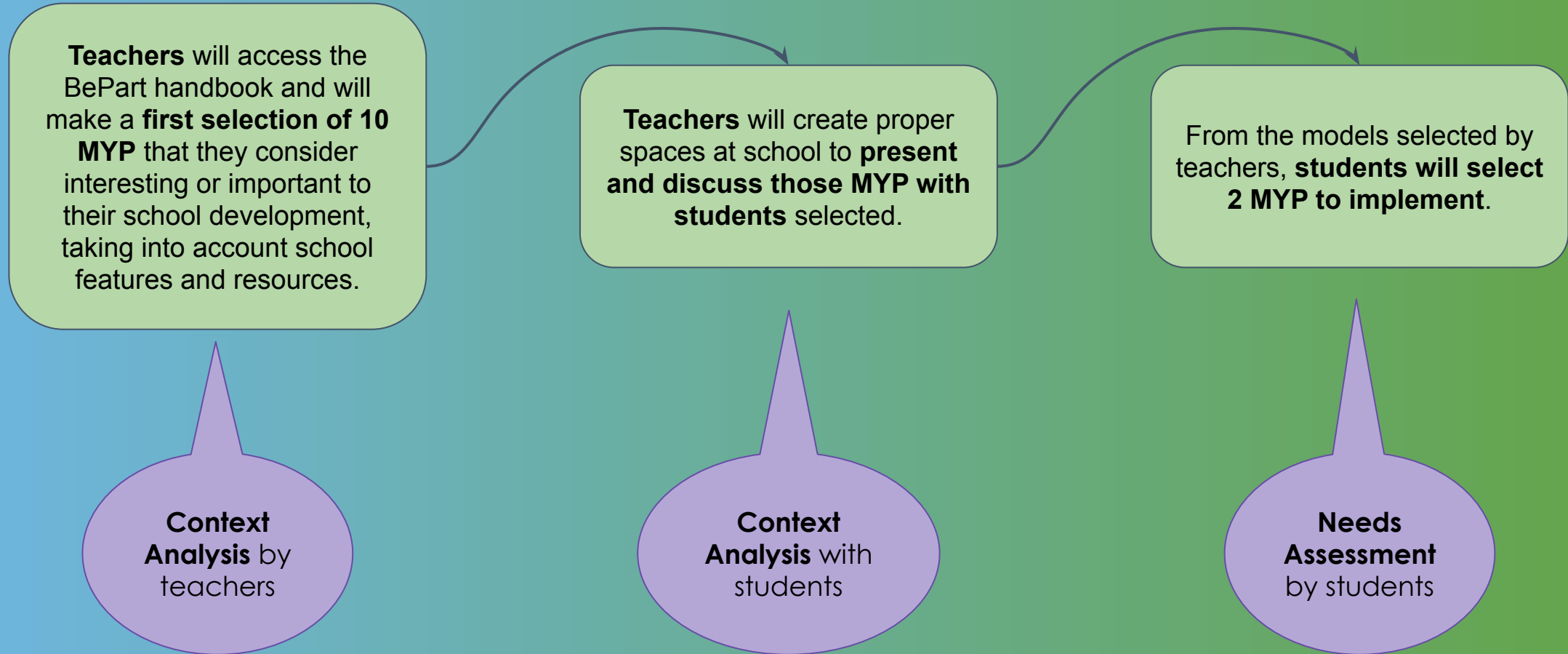
(2) School services and surroundings	
WHAT ARE THE MAIN ELEMENTS OF DIVERSITY IN THE SCHOOL?	WHAT SERVICES CAN STUDENTS ACCESS WITHIN OR AROUND THE SCHOOL PREMISES?

(3) Challenges and motivations	
WHAT DO YOU CONSIDER TO BE THE MAIN CHALLENGES THAT STUDENTS FACE?	WHAT ARE THE MAIN CHALLENGES THAT TEACHERS FACE?

(4) Strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and resources	
WHAT ARE THE STRENGTHS OF THE SCHOOL?	WHAT ARE THE WEAKNESSES OF THE SCHOOL?
WHAT OPPORTUNITIES FOR POSITIVE CHANGE DO YOU SEE?	WHAT ARE THE RESOURCES AND BUDGET AVAILABLE FOR THE PARTICIPATORY PROCESS?

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# SELECTION OF THE MYPs



# TOWARDS A NEEDS ASSESSMENT

## STARTING FROM THE CONTEXT ANALYSIS...



**HOT TOPICS.** The analysis of the school context helps teachers identify what they think are the “hot topics” that are alive in the school. Identifying these topics can be a good starting point for supporting students in assessing what the needs of the student population are, in order for the participatory process to be centered around these concerns.



**NEW SPACE FOR CONCERNS.** This step can also be a chance for teachers and students to address areas of work that they don't usually have time to work on, due to their busy schedules and to school priorities.

# TOWARDS A NEEDS ASSESSMENT

## NEXT STEP:

Supporting students to understand and express the most important needs or problems of their community.

As we have explored so far, students have not always been consulted in decision making processes that affect them.

This approach involves the students – or a part of them – in achieving the so-called research, in elaborating the action strategies and in implementing the proposed changes, on a community level.

This exercise can be reiterated, nuanced and repeated again in the future.



# TOWARDS A NEEDS ASSESSMENT

This is an “emancipating” approach, as the students are involved in the research as co-participants. It supposes reflection and self-reflection, stimulating the community of students to become more aware of their collective problems.

By involving students in expressing their own viewpoints and in offering solutions, one would expect the motivation for one’s participation to rise and the student community empowerment to be strengthened.

[inspiration: Şandru, C. (2014). Participatory Needs Assessment in Local Communities. Methodological Aspects. *Bulletin of the Transilvania University of Braşov, Series VII: Social Sciences and Law*, (2), 97-104.]



# ORGANISE A NEEDS ASSESSMENT WORKSHOP WITH YOUR STUDENTS!

## HOW?

1. **THE WORKSHOP.** Gather your students (online or offline, depending on your Covid-19 regulations) for a two to three hours session;
2. **INTRO.** Explain the content of the session and the objectives of this process: they have a great occasion for their voices to be heard! You will be facilitating.
3. **EXERCISE IN PAIRS.** Ask students to pair up! Each pair of students will interview each other to explore their needs as individual students and their ideas about needs of their broader student body;
4. **WRITE UP.** Get them to write their anonymous answers to the questions in the document we share with you! (You might need to translate the questions in your language. No need to translate the answers back to English!)
5. **SHARE BACK.** Come back to the big group session and discuss together what they found and their ideas! You will be facilitating.

# THE NEEDS ASSESSMENT CANVAS

<b>What do you perceive as a problem or need to be solved in your student community? Do they constitute problems or needs for the overall community or only for some students?</b>	<b>How does it affect your own life?</b>	<b>Why do such problems or needs exist?</b>			
			<b>What do we know about these problems or needs?</b>	<b>What can we do to solve these problems or needs? (How can the student community get involved and contribute?)</b>	<b>Which are the needed resources to this effect?</b>

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**TASK FOR NEXT SESSION:**

**WORK WITH THE FELLOWSHIP & SELECT THE 2 MODELS OF YOUTH PARTICIPATION YOU ARE GOING TO IMPLEMENT**





## How to select the MYP?

- Access the BePart handbook and make a first selection of 10 MYP that you consider interesting or important to your school development.
- Create proper spaces at school to present and discuss those MYP with the Fellowship.
- From the models selected, facilitate students to select 2 MYP to implement.
- You can use the context analysis and needs assessment tools to guide the process of selection.





## Share with the group

On the next online workshop, you will have time to explain your session with students.

- Note down any doubts you or your students have about the process of implementation.
- Present the 2 Models of Youth Participation that students selected to implement.
- Take some pictures to share with us!



DO YOU HAVE  
ANY QUESTIONS?





THANKS FOR YOUR TIME AND  
ATTENTION!

SEE YOU NEXT SESSION :)

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