

Best Practices for Roma Integration Good Practice Protocol for Roma Integration

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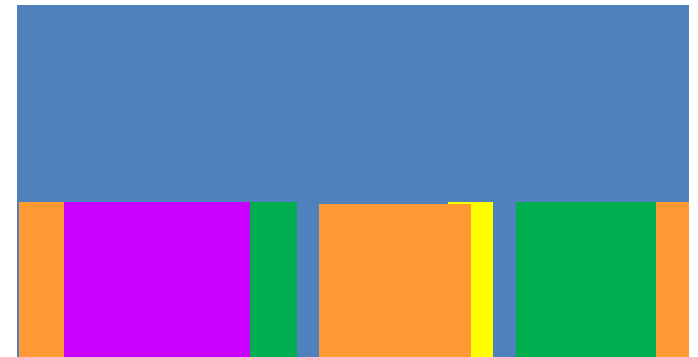
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The goal of the Good Practice Protocol for Roma Integration on the local level

- Support the sharing and replication of good practices in multi-sector municipal collaboration for the integration of Roma in local planning and decision-making in the Western Balkans.
- This can serve as the inspiration for the local self-government units interested to establish continuous collaboration with local Roma communities for which they are responsible („initiative from Konjic”)
- Need to train municipal officials to manage Roma related policies.



Minority related policy goals

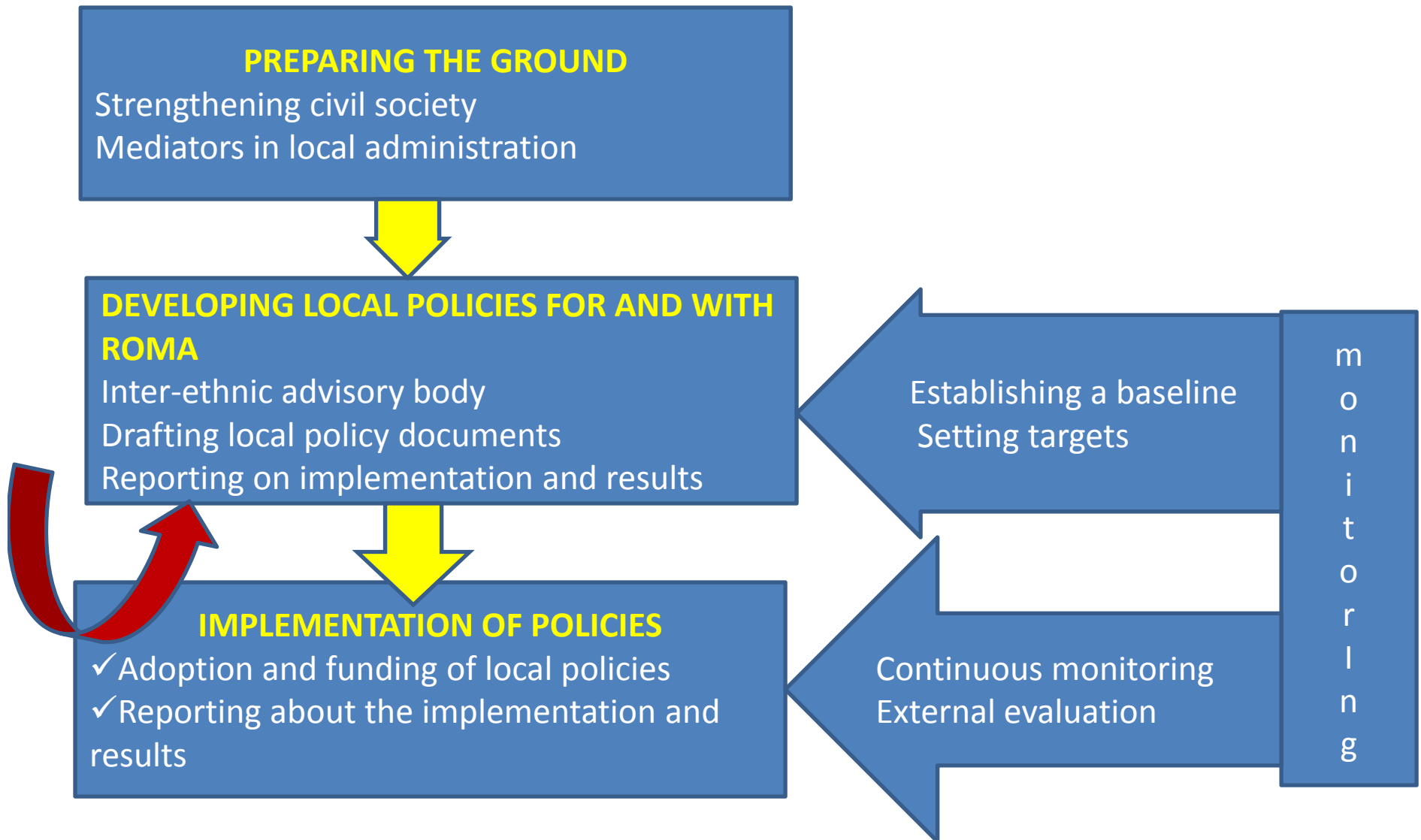
1. Prevention of local inter-ethnic conflict
2. Enacting consensual democracy at the local level
3. Balancing the socio-cultural and political interests of majority and minority ethnic communities
4. Co-operation and reciprocal checking and balancing among competing political forces
5. Realization of rights to cultural autonomy (e.g., cultural institutions, information outlets, education in mother tongue)

6. Cultivating the loyalty of minority communities through pragmatic service provision
7. Active participation of minority communities in local public life
8. Uniform budgetary planning based on minority communities' needs
9. Promoting socially useful economic activity
10. Security- Prevention of extremism, discrimination and exclusion, working to break down anti-minority sentiments and guaranteeing public order)

Priorities of general Roma related policies on local level

- Efficient participation of Roma at the local level;
- Economic empowerment and employment;
- Public health;
- Cultural integration;
- Education;
- Birth registration;
- Living conditions in the settlements.

Steps toward integration of Roma in local planning and decision-making



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„INITIATIVE FROM KONJICA“



Establish and formalize a group of Roma local officials (mayors, councillors, mediators, Roma municipal coordinators) from the Western Balkans and start with the trainings, exchange of experiences and joint performance in the association of local governments in the Council of Europe.

Thank you for your attention!

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