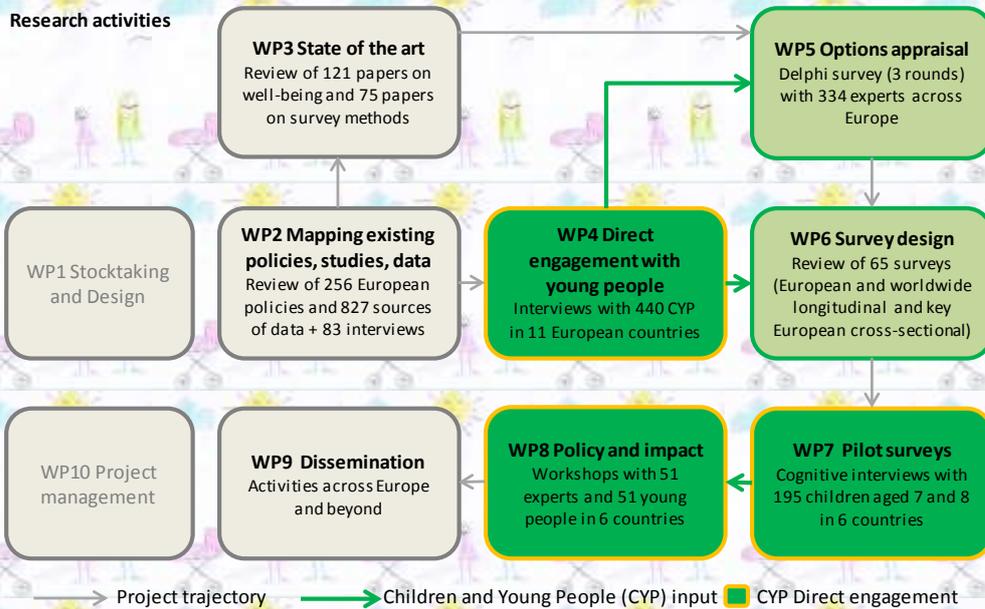




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Towards a European longitudinal childhood and youth survey

## Research activities



## Conclusions

- The policy challenge is a gap in evaluation of child and young people's well-being as policy decisions across Europe are currently made based on data that is not fit for purpose.
- While a European Longitudinal Study of Children and Youth Well-Being (ELSCYPWB) would feature many challenges; it is desirable, feasible and would offer great (money saving) benefits for policy makers.

## Our main recommendations are that:

1. Further work is done to add greater precision to the costs and benefits of an ELSCYPWB. This should include the development of case studies which highlight the specific benefits of longitudinal survey data over cross sectional data and administrative (whether cross sectional or longitudinal) data.
2. Key political and policy decision makers be invited to participate in the discussions of costs and benefits to provide a practical realpolitik which will inform the scope and limits of an ELSCYPWB.
3. The methodology of an accelerated cohort ELSCYPWB be further developed, addressing the specific requirements of such a research design on a comparative EU level.

## In addition we recommend that:

4. CYP should be involved in the development, testing and implementation of the survey, notably through a CYP Advisory Board and their involvement in the ethics committee.
5. Future work should involve key international stakeholders including UNICEF and OECD.
6. There should be a strong focus needed on respondents' engagement, potentially through sustained communication and social media.
7. There is a need for knowledge transfer across EU MS in order to build capacity for longitudinal surveys.
8. The survey should consider the entire life-span of children from 0 to 25, include both objective and subjective measures, use a range of modes of data collection.



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