

# PANDA

A voice for children



## Motivation

Progress in social work law, policy and practice notwithstanding, the participation rights of young children (aged 12 and under) known to and/or in the care of **social services** remains an ongoing concern across Europe because professionals experience shared difficulties and barriers regarding implementation.



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## The project

Informed by the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child and the UN Sustainable Development Goals, which contain a specific focus on shared decision-making for all groups.

The overarching aim of this project is to promote the **participation of young children** (aged 12 years and under) in decision making.

This will happen in a transnational context through strengthening professionals collaboration with young children known to social services, especially in child welfare and child protection.

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The project is led by **eight partners from four countries, Belgium, Spain, Norway and Northern Ireland**. Our target groups are social workers, managers, policy officers, academics and trainers.



## Objectives

- 1 Increase the **competence** of social workers/ professionals
- 2 Help in creating **conditions** for participatory social work with young children
- 3 Support the **implementation** of a participatory approach to social work
- 4 Provide trainers with **tools and methods** to stimulate participation

## The tools



**Podcasts** of interviews and testimonials.



**Reports** (written and vimeo) of the explored practices.



**Reflections** of participants on their use, views and experiences of new methods.



**Vimeos** that explain specific methods and tools.



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