

## Simple Tools for Monitoring and Evaluating

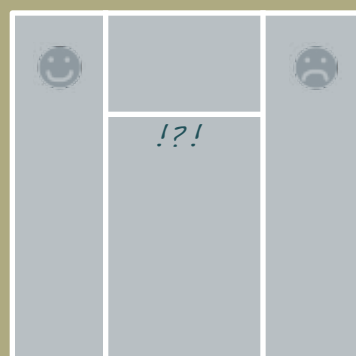
A range of participatory tools can be developed and/or used by children and young people to monitor and evaluate their own projects, initiatives and participatory processes. A range of tools are outlined in Appendix 1d and 1e including:

- the 'Time line' illustrating significant milestones, successes and challenges in their project over a time period.
- the 'H' assessment to assess strengths, weaknesses and suggestions to improve their project, initiative and/or child and youth agency (see description of how to do an 'H' assessment below')
- the 'circle analysis' to explore patterns of inclusion and exclusion
- the 'body map' to explore differences in children or adults before and after their projects and/or projects which promote child and youth agency
- 'stories of most significant change' – using stories, poetry, drama or photography to illustrate the most significant change (planned or unexpected) that has come about as a result of their project initiatives.
- the 'spider tool' for self assessment and planning of child led initiatives or organizations

### *"H" Assessment*



*The 'H' assessment is a simple tool that can be easily used to assess strengths, weaknesses and suggestions to improve their children and youth associations/ committees/ projects/ initiative and/or child and youth agency.*



- Make a "H" shape on large flipchart paper (as per diagram above)
- In the left hand column draw a happy face ☺, in the right hand column a sad face ☹ and below the middle "H" bar draw a light-bulb (to represent 'bright ideas').
- Children and young people can use the 'H' assessment to explore and record:
  - ☺ *What are the strengths of the child/ youth participation/ association/ initiatives in your locality?*
  - ☹ *What are the weaknesses of the child/ youth participation/ association/ initiatives in your locality? (inc. problems/ challenges faced!)*
- !?! *What ideas/ suggestions do you have to improve child/ youth participation/ association/ initiatives in your locality?*
- Each group is encouraged to present back their findings
- Overall group discussion could then be facilitated on the findings