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Piloting the Council of europeE Child Participation Assessment Tool in Estonia

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Paradigm shift

Past → Future

Adult knows all → Both know bits

Child obeys blindly → Child questions authority

Child respects adults → Mutual respect

Discipline by fear → Explain, discuss, create
trust and internal
motivations



Piloting of CPAT in Estonia

- ❖ 11.2014 – 07.2015, by Estonian Union for Child Welfare
- ❖ 1050 + 164 children
 - 1/3: Russian speaking
 - All areas, various backgrounds
- ❖ 50 adults
- ❖ Report, filled Tool and input to the Tool



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Explain

Encourage

Listen

**Respect child +
opinion**

ask

Fund

**Social
system**

**criminal
system**

**Health
system**

**Education
system**

age

language

location

Special needs

regulations

skills

mindsets

practices

materials

infrastructure

home

school

services

governing



- ❖ A comprehensive & detailed picture
 - Of the ideal
 - Of our weaknesses and strenghts
- ❖ Increased awareness
 - Children's focus groups
 - Adults working with and for children

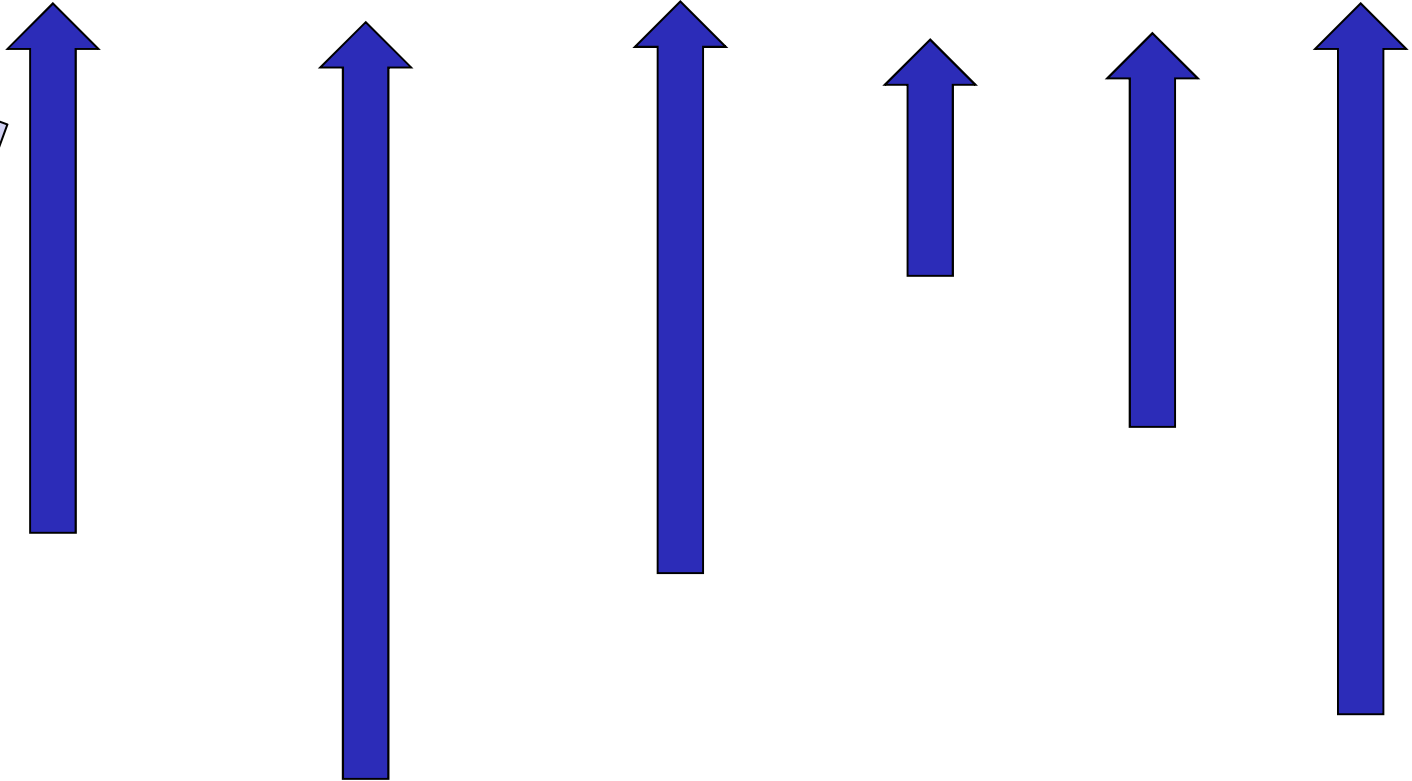


Going on from here

- ❖ Integrate CPAT content & results into...
 - Strategy for Children and Families
 - Children's rights monitoring
- ❖ Refer to CPAT content & results
 - In all (service) developments
 - To request change from various stakeholders
- ❖ CPAT as a structure for sharing good practice nationally & internationally

Right to participation perfectly
guaranteed

Assessment



Non-perfect Reality

This is the end of my presentation.
Thank you for your attention!

Let's work together to give child
participation

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