



BULGARIAN-SWISS COOPERATION PROGRAMME
БЪЛГАРО-ШВЕЙЦАРСКА ПРОГРАМА ЗА СЪТРУДНИЧЕСТВО



ZOV PROGRAMME

Main Principles & Strategic Approach

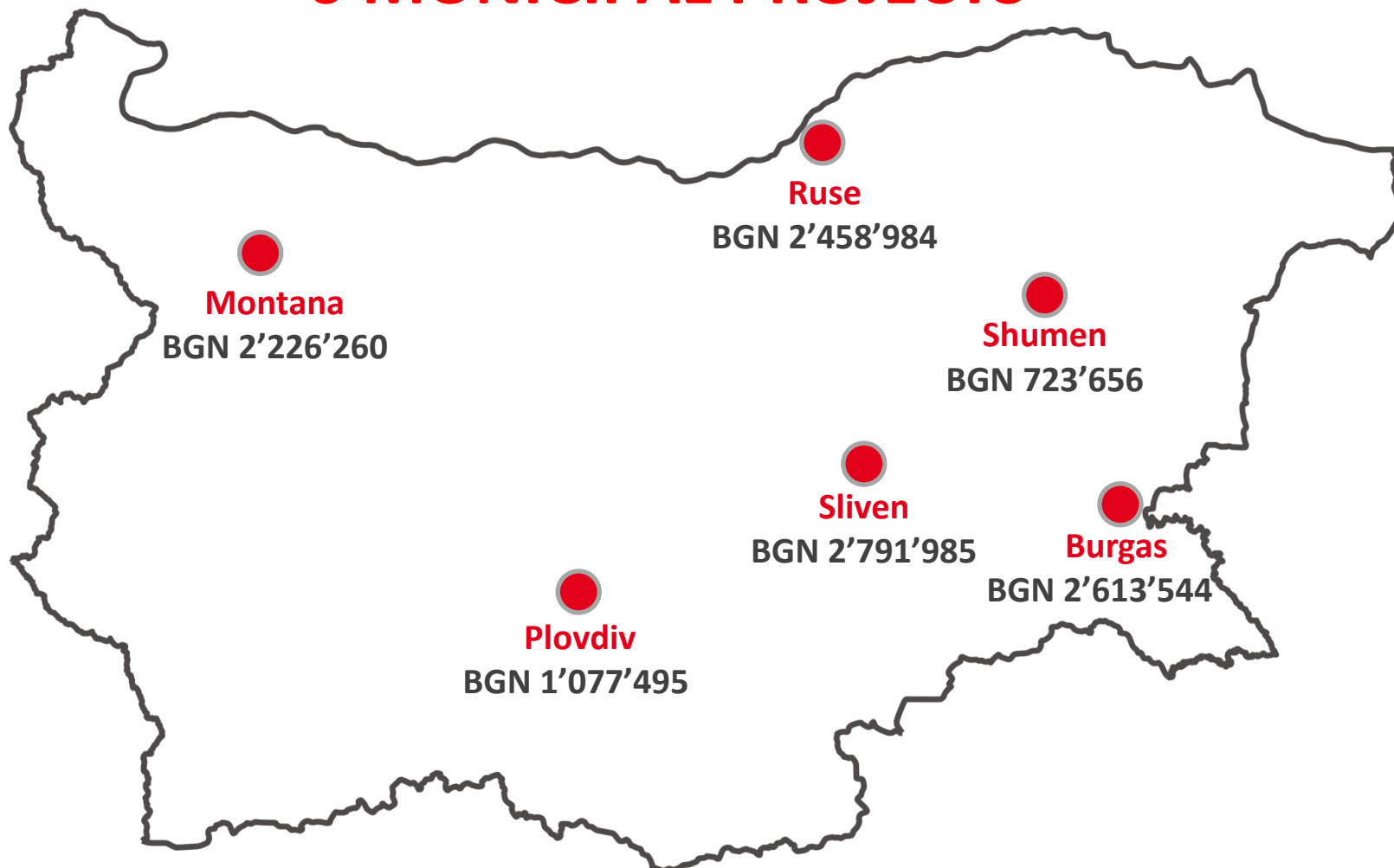


PROGRAMME INFORMATION

OBJECTIVE	Improvement of living conditions of Roma and other vulnerable groups through better access to health care and education
PARTNERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Ministry of Labour and Social Policy▪ Ministry of Education and Science▪ Ministry of Health
TARGET GROUPS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Children 3-10 years old▪ Pregnant women▪ Young women and mothers▪ Young families
BUDGET	CHF 8'088'500 (BG contribution – 15%)
DURATION	2013-2019
PRIORITIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Pre-school education and early child development▪ Primary health care, child and maternal health, family planning and reproductive health▪ Empowerment and culture



6 MUNICIPAL PROJECTS





STRATEGIC APPROACH

INSTITUTIONAL APPROACH

On local and central level with 6 municipalities
and 3 ministries

Municipalities – project implementers

PMU – embedded in the MLSP

Ministerial working groups – key instruments for
policy changes

INTEGRATED APPROACH

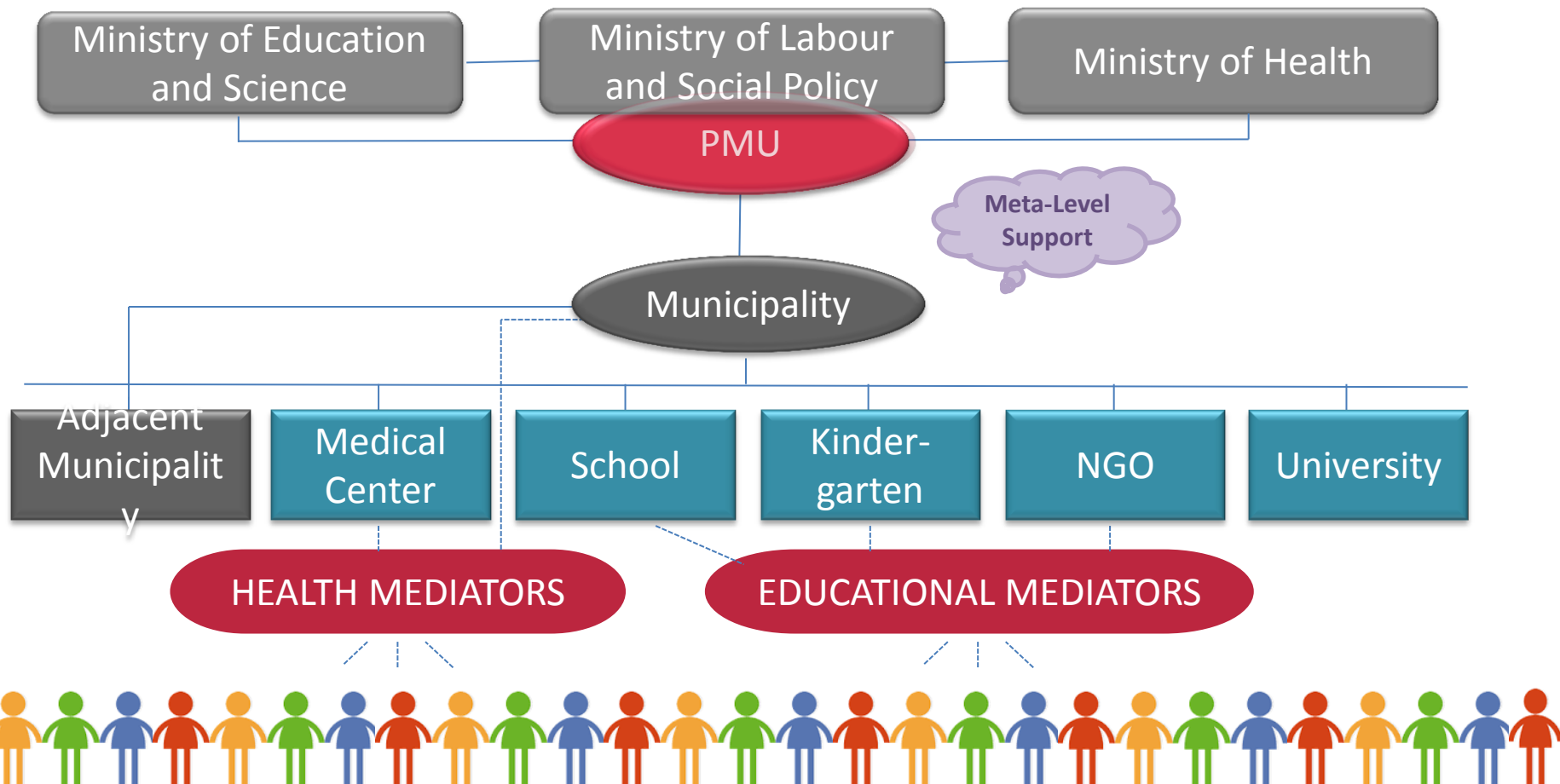
- Education
 - Health Care
 - Empowerment
- } hard + soft measures

META LEVEL SUPPORT

Capacity building for the municipalities and the
other project partners



STRATEGIC APPROACH





EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES



School extension in Burgas



Nursery groups in Ruse

- Training of educational mediators;
- Informational educational campaigns in the communities;
- After-school activities;
- Extracurricular activities, summer schools and excursions;
- Arts and sports activities;
- Bulgarian language classes;
- Work with parents and «Active parents» clubs;
- Trainings of teachers;
- Renovation of schools, kindergartens and cultural centres;
- Construction of 1 pre-school building extension and 2 kindergartens.



HEALTH CARE ACTIVITIES



Profilactic examinations in Ruse

- Training of health mediators;
- Trainings of doctors and other medical professionals;
- Informational campaigns and private consultations for disease prevention, family planning and reproductive health; Campaigns for children vaccinations;
- Profilactic check-ups of children, young women, mothers and families without health insurance;
- Gynecological check-ups for pregnant women and other women without health insurance;
- Provision of contraception materials;
- First aid trainings;
- Renovation of medical cabinets and centres.



CHALLENGES

- **Local level: too much focused on administration with insufficient strategic and policy capacities;**
- **Local level: limited experienced human resources with strong managerial competencies;**
- **Central level: difficult to trigger policy development work;**
- **No donors', programmes' and actions' coordination;**
- **Difficult to comprehend long term impacts of project;**
- **Insufficient determination of the institutions.**



MESSAGES

- **Need for an official body coordinating all donors, programmes and actions.**
- **Need to develop institutional cooperation on policy level, with regular debates involving all stakeholders;**
- **Need of local partnerships for advocacy;**
- **Build-up on what has been done so far;**
- **Need for an increased determination of all institutions.**



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THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!

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Roma integration”**

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