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THE REGIONAL INITIATIVE TO PUT AN END TO THE PLACEMENT OF CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 3 IN RESIDENTIAL CARE INSTITUTIONS IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN: STRATEGY, LEARNING AND CHALLENGES

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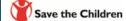














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Numerical Indicator: over a total of 240.000 institutionalised children and adolescents in the region, there is a 10 per cent between 0 and 3 years old

Double abandonement:



families

stateand social

Multiples reasons: cultural and social factors, political and institutional factor and Economic and budgetary factors

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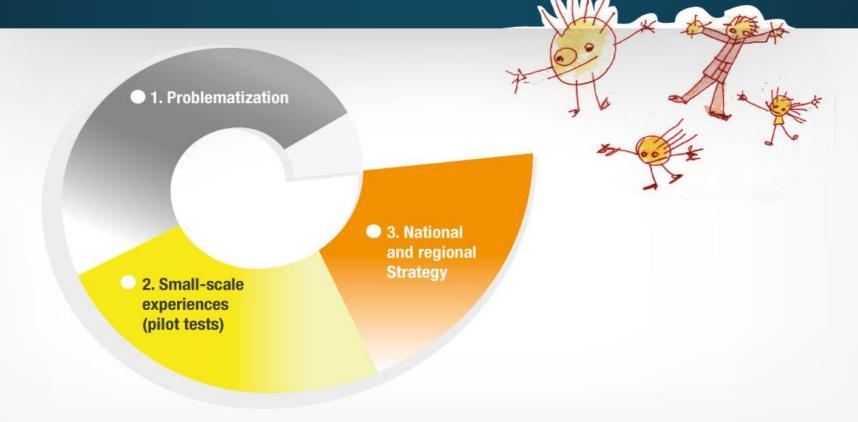
The process of preparation and launching of the Regional Initiative



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RELAF Method: Create the conditions for the transformation



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Knowledge and Tools



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Actions for the de institutionalization



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Challenges and projections

- Continue carrying out awareness and advocacy actions
- Continue the development of small scale experiences
- Development of standards and protocols
- Pieces of research: base line tool application and financial study on prevention investment vs alternative care costs