

1. Youth Policy Governance

Children and youth as the target groups are on the agenda of more than 10 public institutions - in particular ministries.

Youth policy in Slovakia is coordinated by the **MESRS**. Youth policy is defined in the **Strategy of the Slovak Republic for Youth 2014-2020**. The new Strategy of the Slovak Republic for Youth 2021-2028 is currently being prepared and will reflect the goals of the EU Youth Strategy for the years 2019-2027 ([1.3](#)).

[IUVENTA - Slovak Youth Institute](#) is the National Agency for Youth ([1.4](#)).

Cross-sectorial cooperation on youth policy issues is ensured by two expert groups: the **Interministerial working group for state policy in the field of youth (hereinafter IWGY)** and the **Committee for Children and Youth** ([1.5](#)).

Implementation of the Strategy of the Slovak Republic for Youth for 2014-2020 is evaluated in the regular **Youth Reports** ([1.6](#)). Funding of youth work is partly covered by the **Programmes for Youth** (MESRS), a significant long-term source is represented also by the EU Youth Programs since 1998 ([1.7](#)).

Local and regional self-governments constitute their own youth policies on their territory ([1.4](#)).