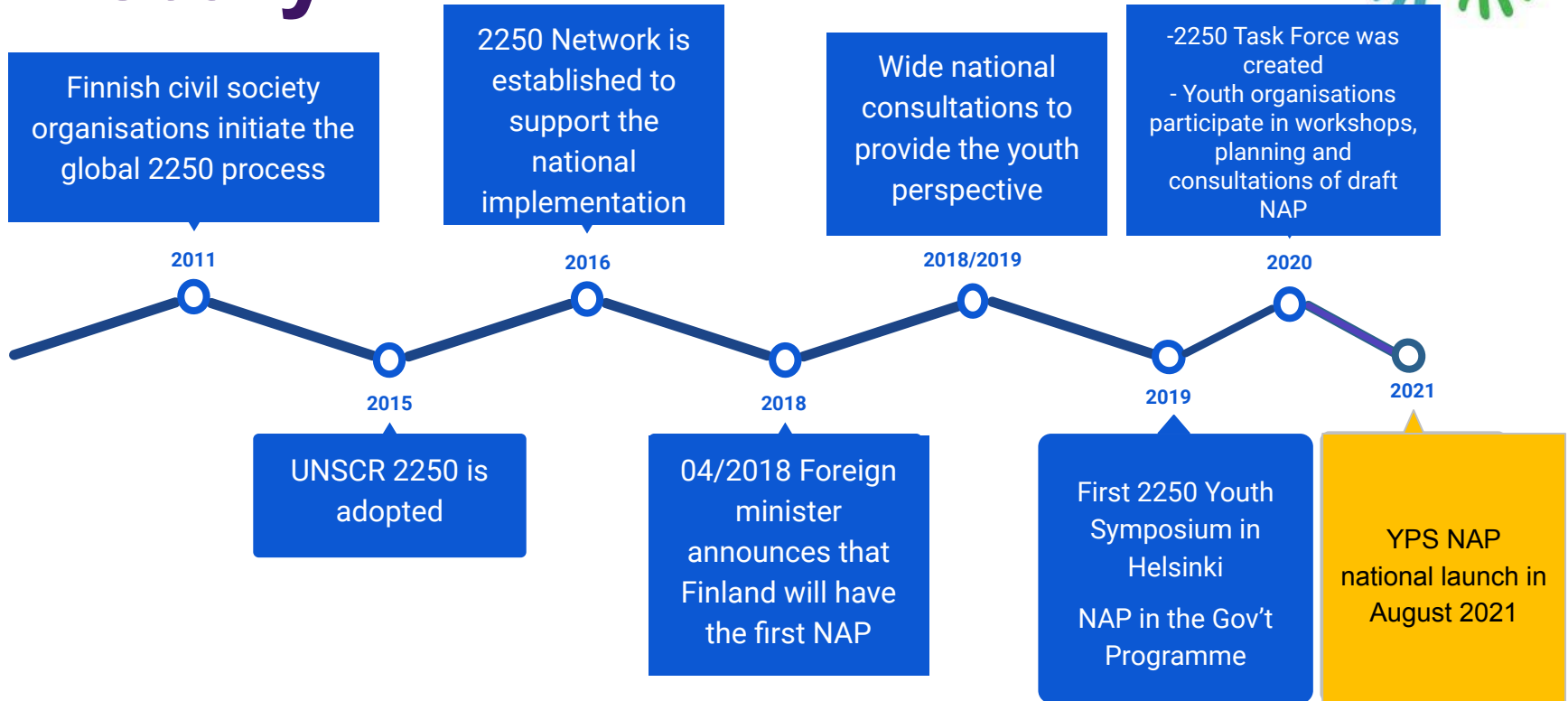




# Overview on the Finnish National Action Plan

Youth in implementing UNSCR 2250

# 2250 in Finland - a brief history



# Youth, Peace and Security Network



- Created to support UNSCR 2250 National Action Plan in Finland
- Open for everyone interested in peace & security topics
- Consists of both organizations working in the field as well as individual youth interested in the topic
- Coordination shared between Allianssi (National Youth Council of Finland) and UN Youth of Finland
- Sharing news on what's happening, co-operating in promotion of the agenda and advocacy, raising awareness of the agenda and promoting youth participation

# The role of YPS Network in the NAP creation process



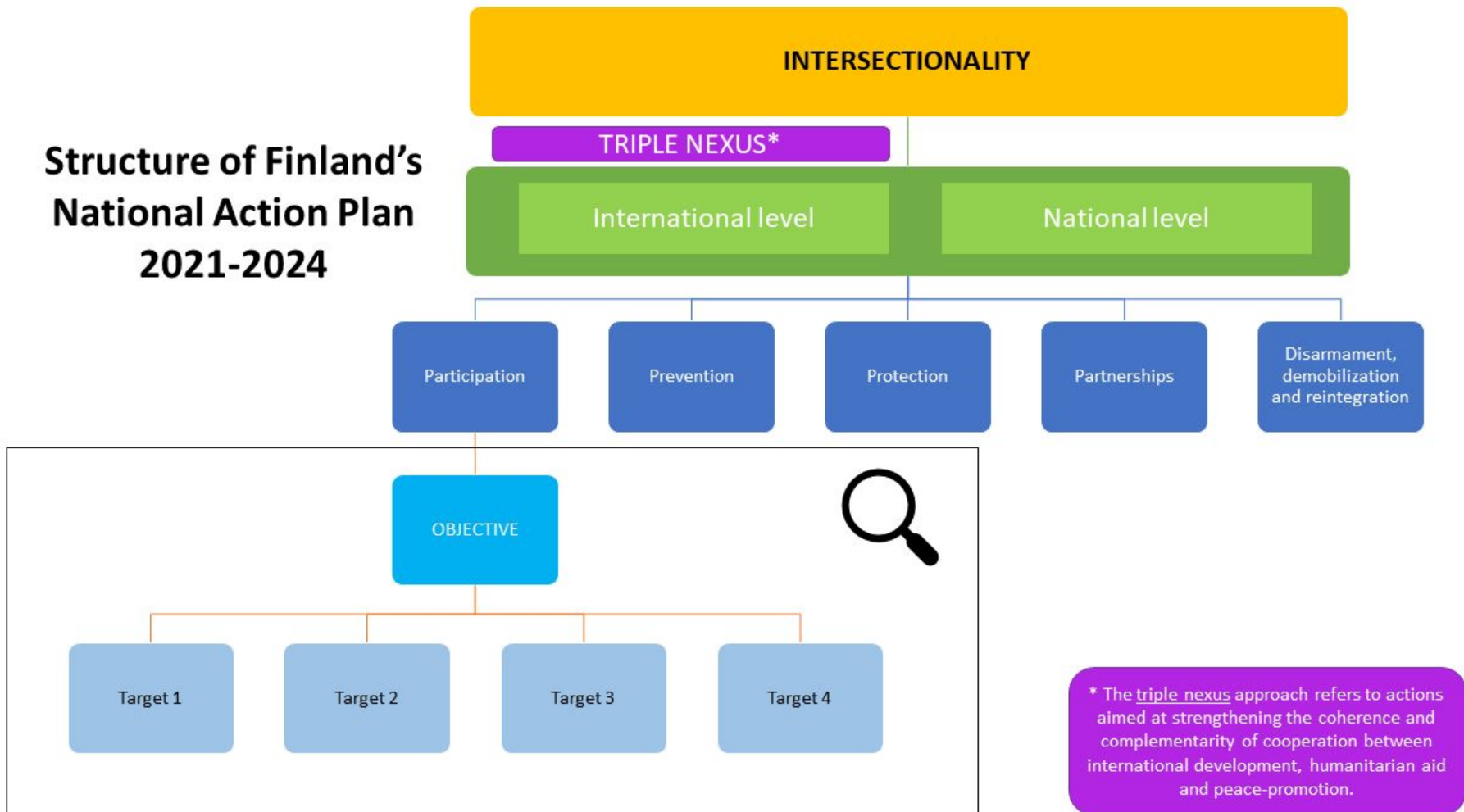
- Active and timely communication with the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland
- Communication to the wider public on 2250 and the NAP process - invitations to join
- **Strong collaboration in the creation of the NAP:**
  - Wide national consultations to provide youth perspective and basis for the NAP draft, 2018-2019
  - Workshops and hearings among the youth and NGOs to draft guidelines and recommendations for ForMin, 2020
  - Comments on the NAP drafts
- Awareness raising and promotion of the UNSCR and the NAP

# Youth, Peace and Security: Finland's National Action Plan 2021–2024

- World's first NAP!
- Published in Finnish, Swedish and English on 20 August 2021
- <https://julkaisut.valtioneuvosto.fi/handle/10024/163334>



# Structure of Finland's National Action Plan 2021-2024



\* The triple nexus approach refers to actions aimed at strengthening the coherence and complementarity of cooperation between international development, humanitarian aid and peace-promotion.

# NAP



- Intersectionality as cross-cutting principle
- 5 priority areas and objectives
  - Each objective has 2-4 targets
  - Measures and responsibilities for each target
- Implementation
  - Inter-ministerial responsibilities
  - Civil society's role
  - National Monitoring Group and indicator working group
  - Mid-term and final period evaluation

# Youth in promoting YPS now



- Still have an important role in monitoring and advancing implementation
- Also important role in securing political support (funding!) for the agenda
- Trickle-down effect on the NAP in promoting youth participation more broadly -> Ensuring **meaningful and accessible** youth participation



# Group discussions



Discuss in groups:

- How familiar are you with the Finnish NAP and this particular priority area?
- Are the targets and measures of each priority area clear and serve the purpose? Is there something that sparks questions?
- What concrete action/cooperation/youth involvement etc. would you like to see for these targets to fulfill? How could you act on it?

# Group discussions



Joint discussion:

- How would you like to work for the resolution yourself?
- Is the Finnish NAP transmittable to other countries? Why/why not?
- Could you see these objectives and targets being implemented in your country? How? How could you work for it either by yourself or by cooperation?

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