Abstract
The article tackles a diagnosis of current youth policies through the analysis of three key axis: the strategy conformed by the whole of activities and their preventive or palliative orientation, the potential impact capacity of running projects and the complementarity among the different levels of application of these policies. Through the article, it becomes evident the need to implement changes which contribute to improve the efficiency of intervention on young people; by reorienting strategies for a larger impact on the factors which causes the problems young people have to face at present. By enriching the generation and management of projects better focussed on impact, results control and improvement on target definition... and by establishing a more fluent and value added relation among the different public agencies with powers on youth affairs.

Keywords
Youth policies, Potential impact, Palliative policy, Preventive policy.