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# P2C – Prevention to Care

Promoting healthy lifestyles and nutritional awareness  
through mobile games and technologies

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## P2C - Prevention to Care: WHY



- The rapidly increasing prevalence of overweight and obesity among children and adolescents reflects a global 'epidemic' worldwide.
- Due to the associated serious medical conditions, it is estimated that obesity already accounts for up to 7% of healthcare costs in the EU.
- Obesity in younger age groups has been recognized as an alarming key predictor for obesity in adulthood.

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Centers for Disease Control and Prevention  
CDC 24/7: Saving Lives. Protecting People.™

Target

### Childhood Obesity Facts

- Childhood obesity has more than doubled in children and quadrupled in adolescents in the past 30 years.<sup>1, 2</sup>

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## P2C - Prevention to Care: WHY

### *A WHO recognized priority*

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Global Strategy on Diet, Physical Activity and Health

Global Strategy on Diet, Physical Activity and Health

Development of the Global Strategy

Childhood overweight and obesity

Documents and publications

Related links

### Commission on Ending Childhood Obesity

May 2014 -- To gather the best possible advice on dealing with the crisis of childhood obesity, WHO's Director-General has established a high-level Commission on Ending Childhood Obesity. Tackling childhood obesity now represents an important opportunity to reduce the impact of heart disease, diabetes and other serious diseases in future – while immediately improving the health of children.

Read more about the Commission on Ending Childhood Obesity

Diet and physical activity

Commission on Ending Childhood Obesity

Diet and physical activity: a public health priority

Who

How



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*Teenager*

Aged 11-17 yrs

Rebel generation

Digital generation

Education needs

Prevention could start here..

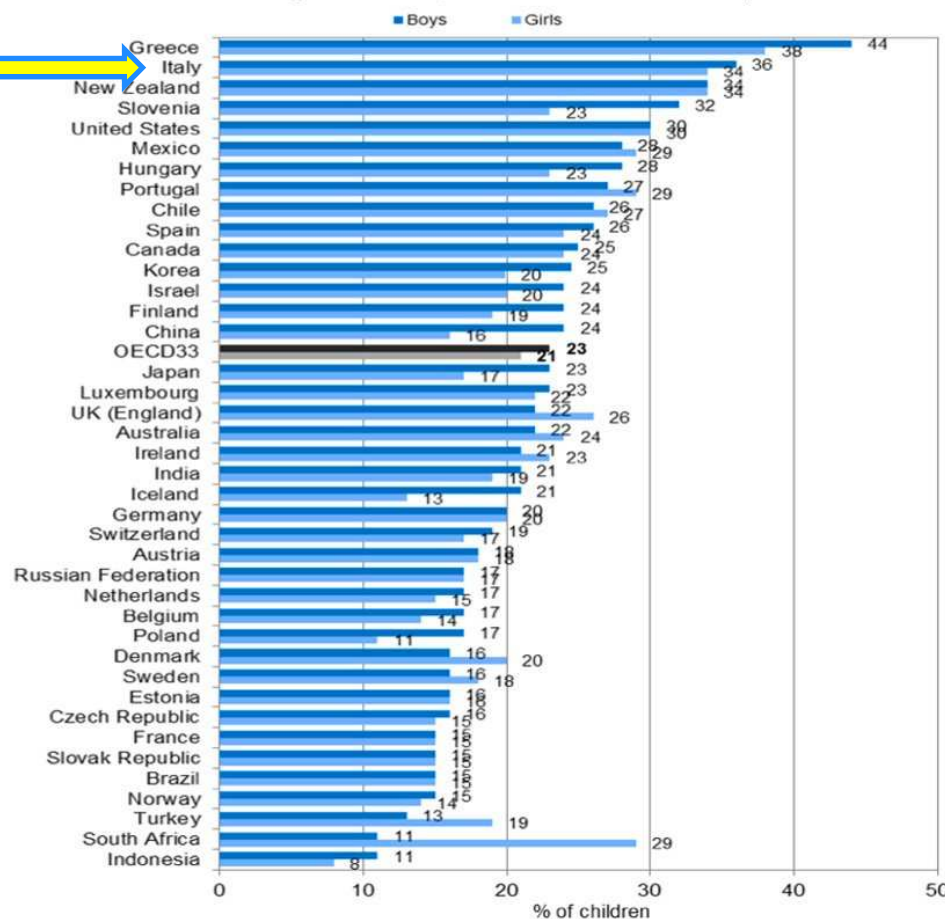
In the WHO European Region

**1 in 3** 11-year-olds is   
**overweight**  
or  
**obese**

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## P2C - Prevention to Care: WHO

Figure 4. Measured overweight (including obesity) among children aged 5-17, 2010 or nearest year



Source: International Association for the Study of Obesity, 2013; Bös et al. (2004), Universität Karlsruhe and Ministères de l'Éducation nationale et de la Santé for Luxembourg; and KNHANES 2011 for Korea.



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## P2C - Prevention to Care: GOAL



- promoting **sustainable behaviours** geared towards achieving healthy lifestyles.
- Behaviour-change techniques are applied as a preventative measure to accomplish positive behaviour change outcomes.



- A **behaviour change platform** targetting teen agers in **preventing obesity** and related comorbidities

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Action Plan for implementation  
of the European Strategy for the Prevention  
and Control of Noncommunicable Diseases  
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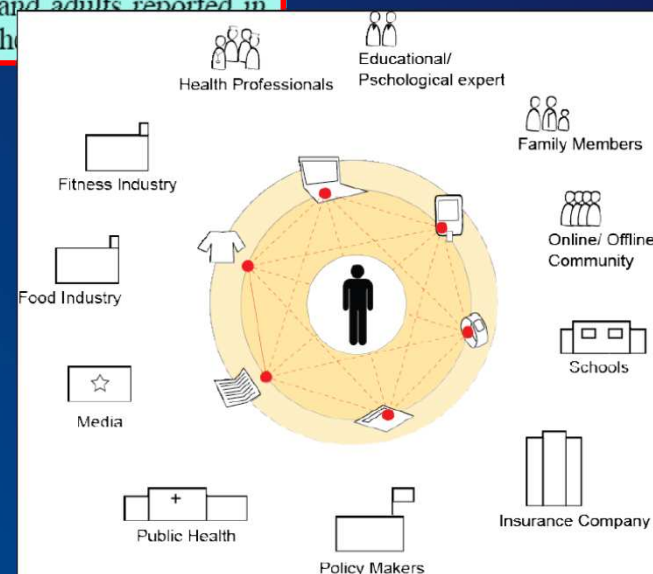
Although diverse chronic NCDs all deserve proper attention, a group of four diseases (cardiovascular diseases, cancer, diabetes, and chronic respiratory diseases) and their shared risk factors (tobacco use, harmful use of alcohol, physical inactivity and unhealthy diet) account for the majority of preventable disease and death in the WHO European Region.

These four NCDs also share common determinants that are influenced by policies in a range of sectors, from agriculture and the food industry to education, the environment and urban planning. They share common pathways for interventions through public policy. Additionally, obesity merits specific attention, in that it is both a result of many of the same basic risk factors and a cause of other NCDs.

Marketing of processed food, with its “hidden” sugars, salt and excessive saturated fats, especially to children, and their increased availability are contributing to the alarming increase in the prevalence of overweight and obesity among children and adults reported in Europe, particularly for those with a lower socioeconomic status. Alcohol

Agriculture  
Food Industry  
Schools  
Policy makers

Stakeholders





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## P2C - Prevention to Care: HOW

### There's One Thing You Should Never Tell Overweight Teens

By JOSEPHINE MARCOTTY, Star Tribune

If you want your overweight teenagers to slim down, whatever you do, don't tell them to go on a diet. That most likely will make matters worse

P2C always starts with a positive approach/message. This is the only winning strategy with teenagers.

Above all in prevention and not pathology!!!

Engagement and gaming strategies and participation has demonstrated a powerful strategy during our development



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## P2C - Prevention to Care: HOW

### ***Approach***

***A positive message and tool dedicated to teenagers, for improving their lives through 4 directions (like a compass):***



***move → active lifestyle***

***play → serious game, engagement***

***eat → food education and pleasure***

***share → social technology and approach***

***Building tour Life Compass***

### ***Application: Prevention of overweight and obesity***

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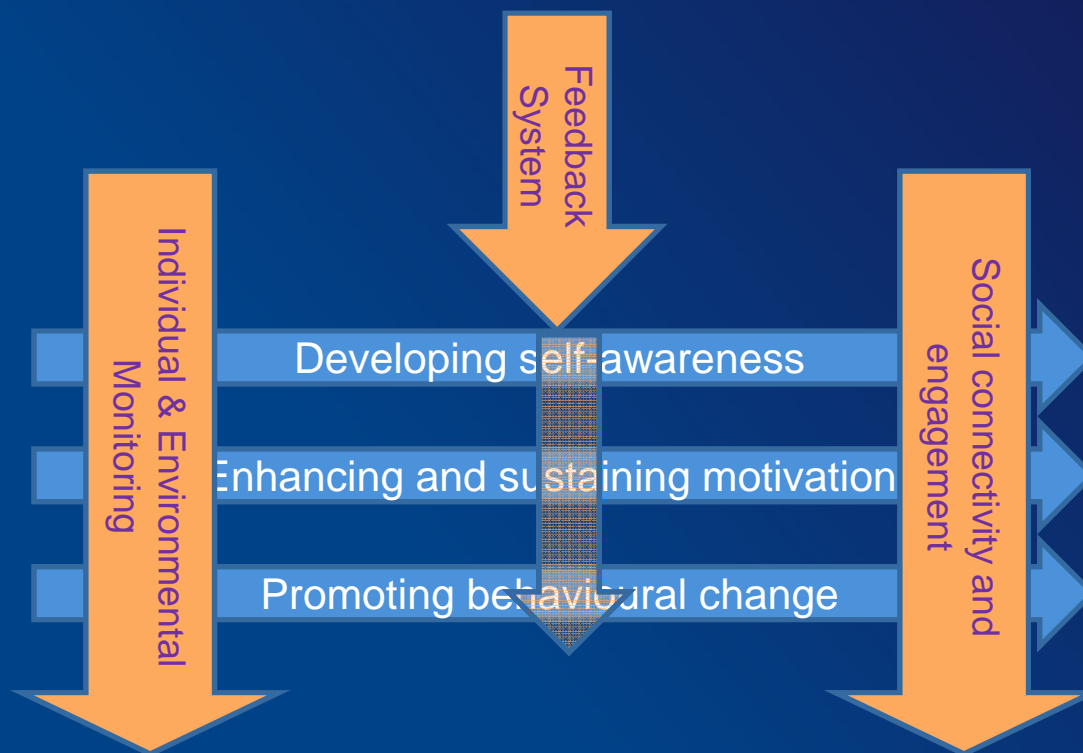
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Technological platform: the smartphone.

The User Requirements defined through user participation confirms the almost 100% diffusion and the willingness to use this device as service platform.

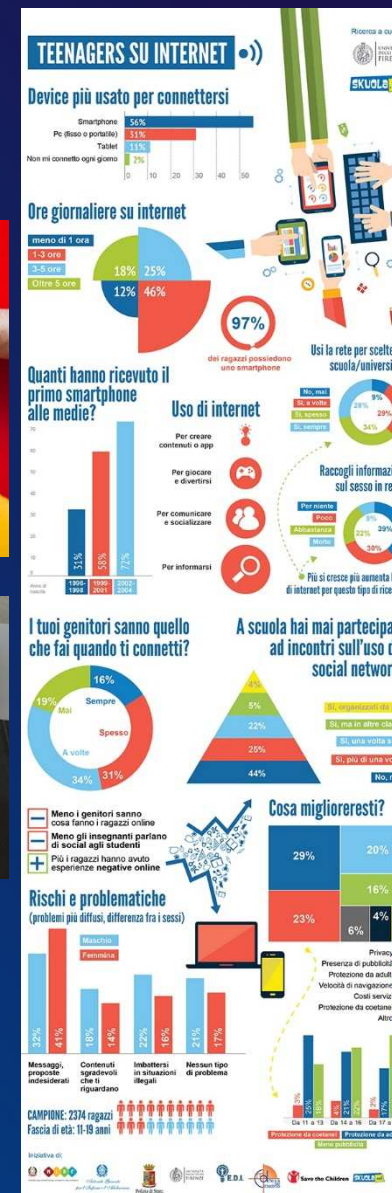
Smartphone has become even more important than outfit

([www.wired.it](http://www.wired.it), from NYT, Aug. 2014).

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Safer Internet Center in Italy  
Survey on 8.000 students,  
aged 11-13:  
95% mobile/smartphone  
coverage.  
Feb. 11, 2015





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**Wearable system** for non intrusive monitoring are the emerging trend technology.

Accepted by end-user and teenager in particular.

Wearables for teens are nothing like the boring calorie counters marketed to adults. Instead, a whole new breed of wearable tech is emerging that that is targeted at helping young people do the things they want to do, like **play, game, and relate**. Tapping into and extending imagination, and engaging social behavior, wearable technology for teens could have a huge impact on the teen-focused **gaming and entertainment** industries.

**Serious Games** are becoming and diffusing as a new tool for learning, training and improvement. Also this choice seems to be winning.

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### Betting On Teens In Wearable Tech

Posted: 07/31/2014 6:13 pm EDT | Updated: 09/30/2014 5:59 am EDT

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WEAR YOUR LIFE  
NEXT BAND AND FOD CHAIRS.

Disney, Mattel, Xbox, and PlayStation take note; wearables for teens are here, and they are about to disrupt your business.

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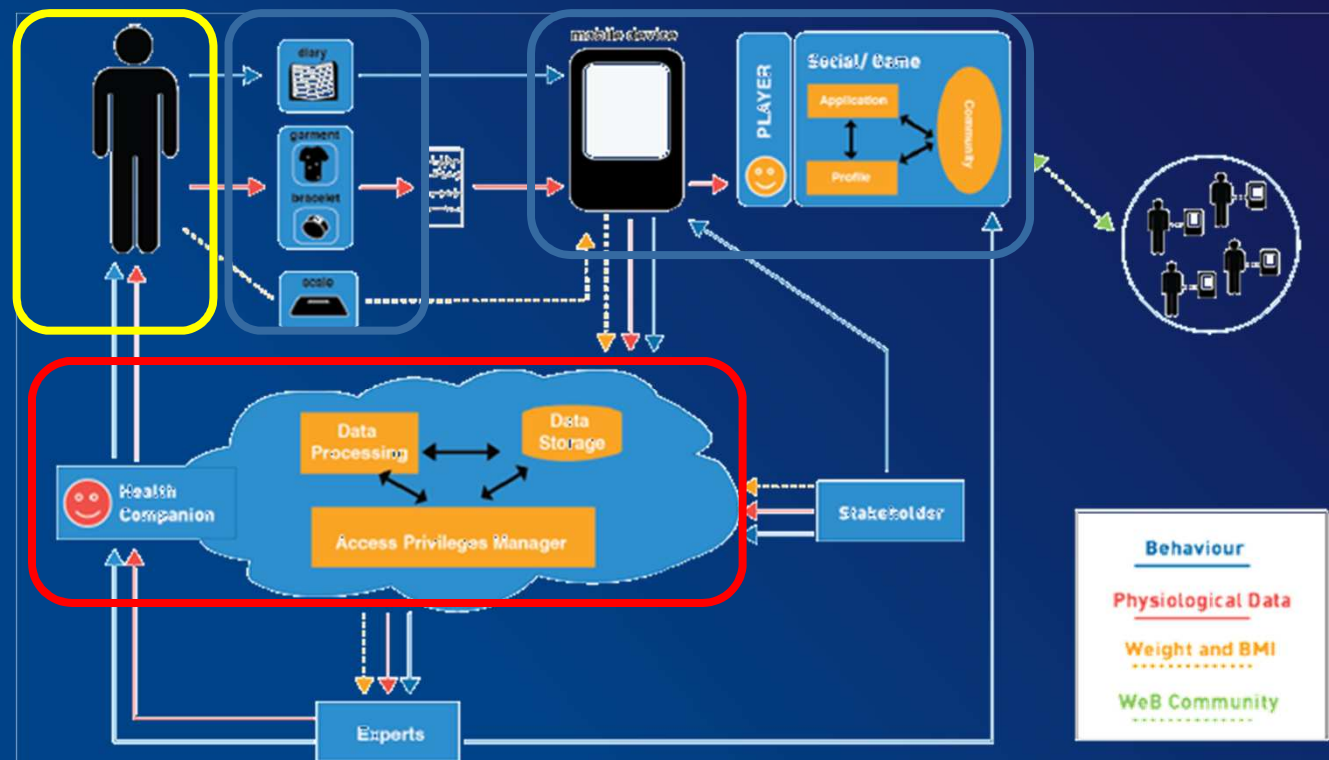


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## P2C - Prevention to Care: HOW

*User-driven innovation: Technology as empowering tool*

*UCD and participatory design methodology*







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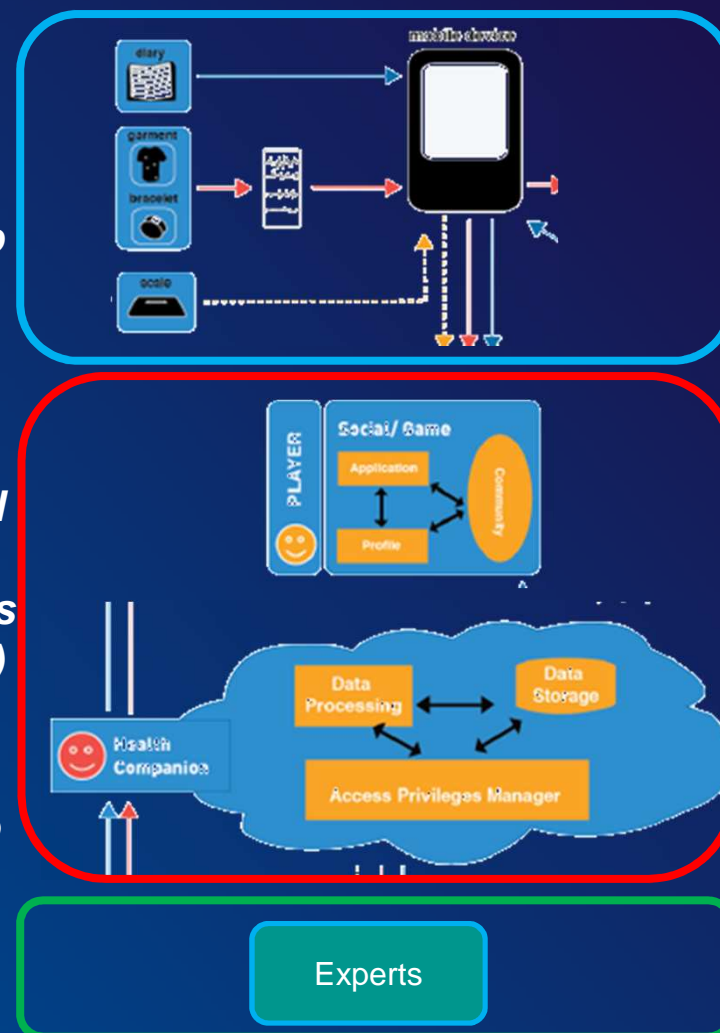
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**technological layer**  
(multimedia diaries, embedded sensors systems, mobile & web platform)

**services layer** (stakeholders services to provide answers to users' needs and desires in real time/not real time, from the health companion to the serious gaming and social experiences)

**experts layer** (people from - medical/psychological/educational – disciplines to provide health companion hints)

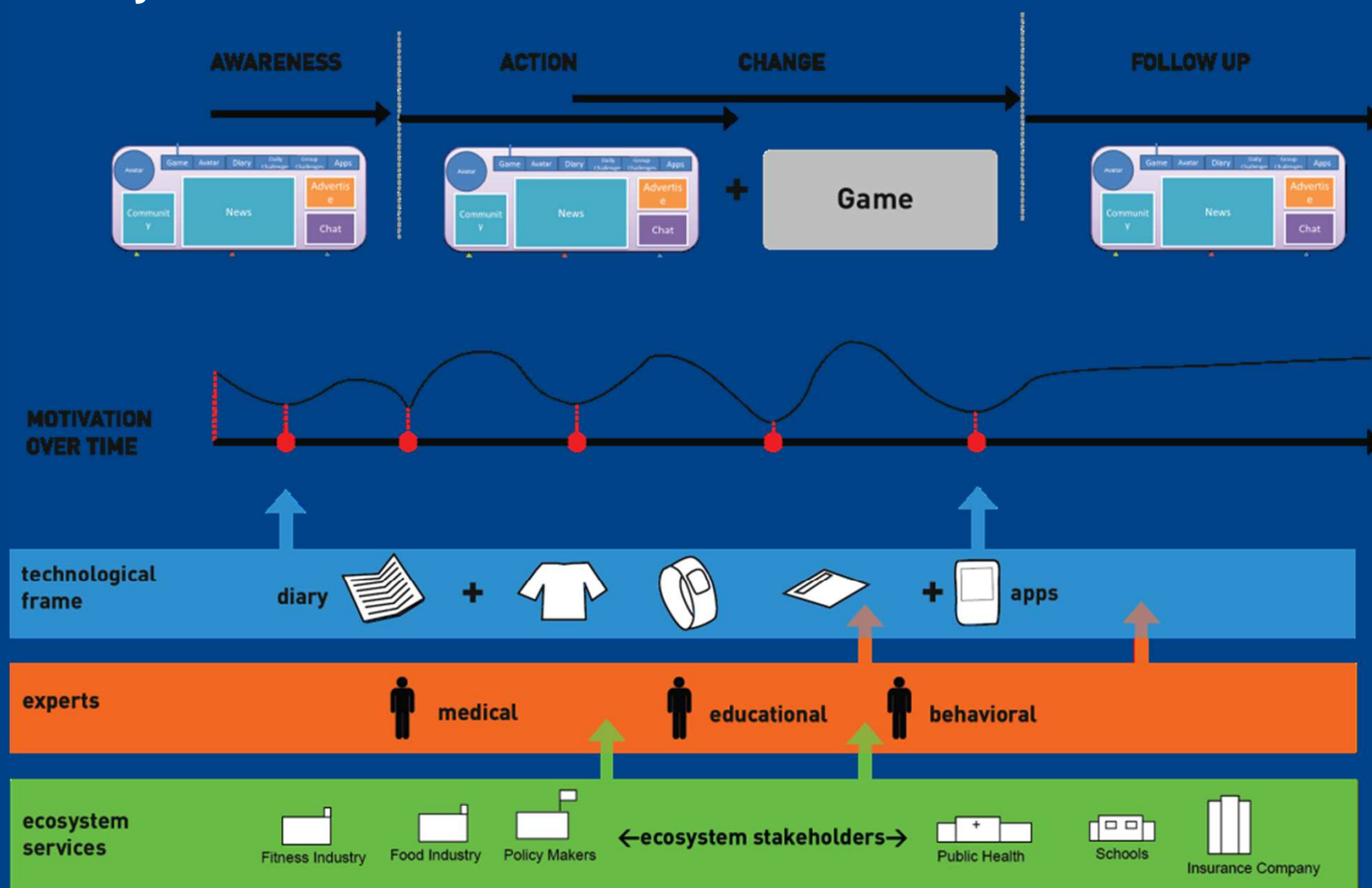


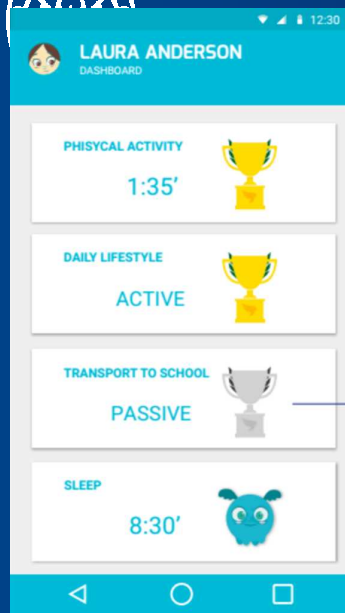


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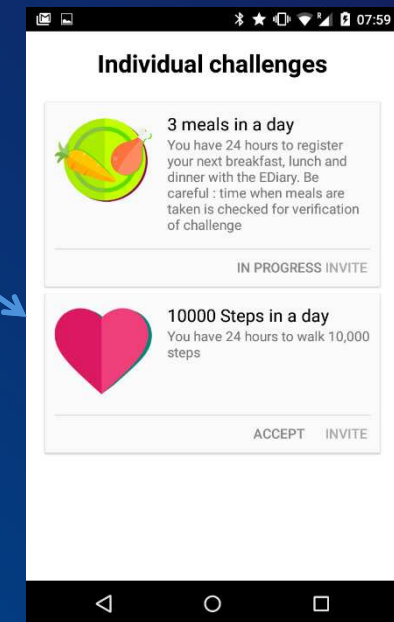
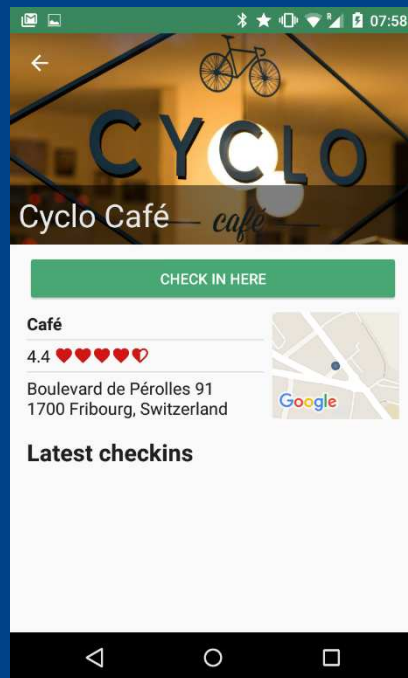
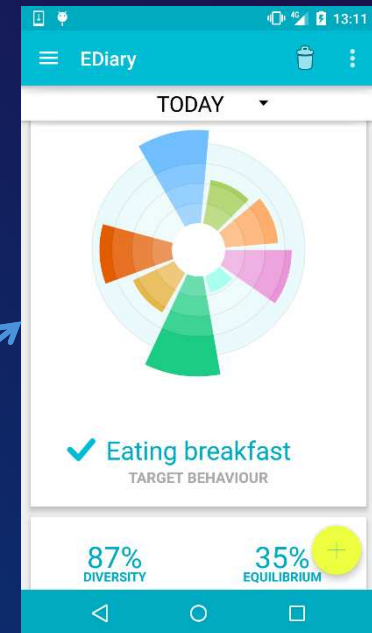
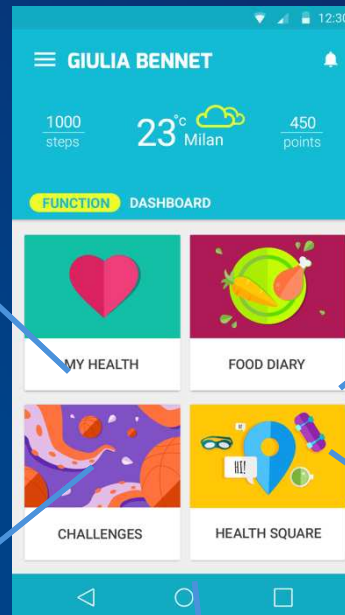
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### P2C System MODULARITY





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### P2C EXPECTED IMPACT



*Enhancing self-awareness of younger people for health issues and promoting behavioural changes in favour of physical activity and healthy diets*

*Preventing juvenile overweight/obesity and reducing morbidities associated to juvenile overweight/obesity in the short time, and long term health consequences*

*Reducing medical, social and personal costs associated to juvenile and adult overweight/obesity.*

*Developing a system suitable for interventions based on equity and inclusivity*

*Providing a transnational opportunity for a coordinated effort to tackle a transnational issue*

*Create and integrated stakeholder ecosystem and related opportunity*





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