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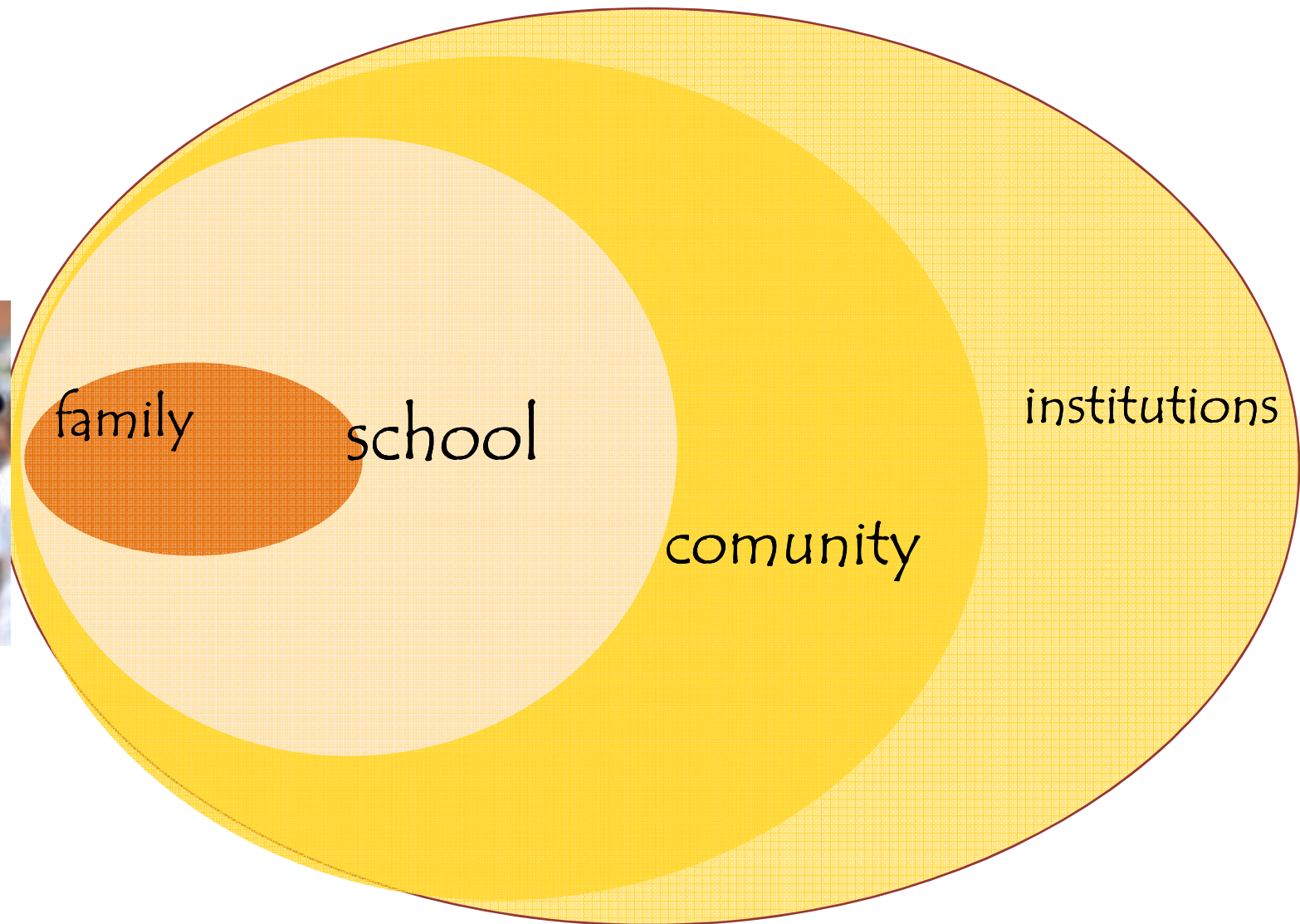
Children Right Networks

- Child Alliance (130 members)
- Children Education Network (4 members)
- BKTF Coalition

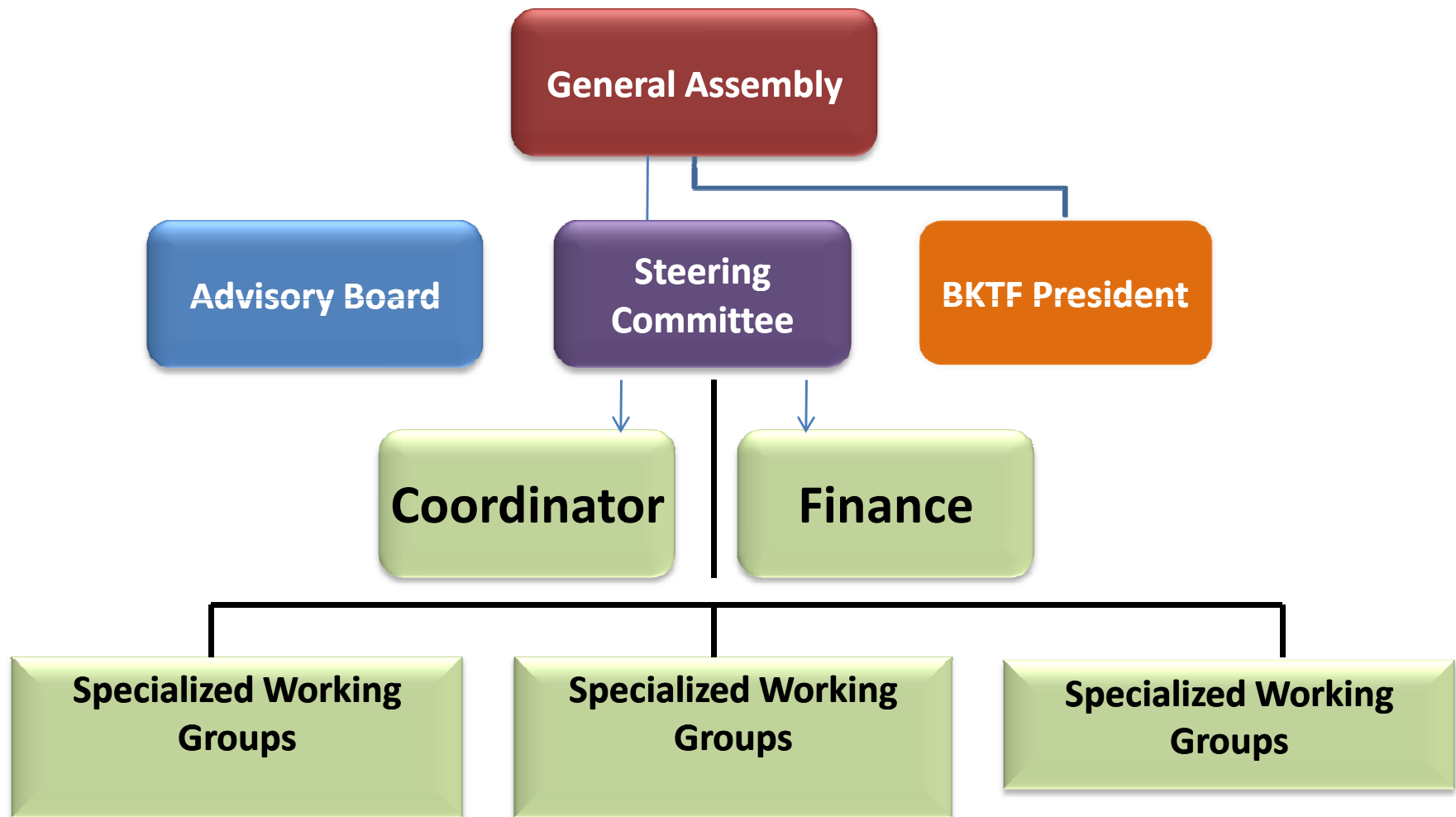
BKTF Vision

- A society which respects children's rights and is responsible for their protection and well being.
- A society in which children are safe and protected.
- A society where children are heard, have hopes and opportunities.

BKTF work is based on the *best interest of the child*



BKTF Organization Chart



BKTF Financial Support

- Donor agencies (BKTF members, BKTF Advisory Board Members others)
- Membership fee
- In kind services

BKTF Field of Activities

- Advocate and lobby for the elaboration and implementation of laws, policies and strategies for the protection of vulnerable children.
- Strengthen and promote a child protection system through institutions, mechanisms, models and practices which address child protection issues in Albania, as well as through exchanging information, expertise and experience.
- Contribute in the promotion of social inclusion of children and communities in the development and improvement of the situation in relation to child protection.
- Contribute in capacity building of the children, civil society and communities on child protection



Major Child welfare & protection issues in Albania

- Elaboration of the Child Rights Law
- Establishment of the Child Protection Units
- Establishment of the Agency for Child Protection
- Improvement of the Civil Status Law
- Establishment of the National Council for Child Protection (BKTF member of the Council)
- Collaboration among CSOs and central government
- Reimbursement Scheme Decision of the Prime Ministry
- National Strategy and Action Plan against trafficking in human Beings;
- Standard Procedures for the Referral and Protection of Victims of Trafficking
- Functional Child Protection system in Albania



BKTF affiliation to regional coalitions

- MARIO Network (Bulgaria, Kosova and Poland)
- Concord

Advocacy activities in the international level

- Universal Periodic Review Report
- CRC Alternative Report
- Trafficking in Person Report (TIP)
- European Commission Progress Report
- European Parliament
- Advocacy through “Mario” Network
- Continuous dialogue with international agencies working in Albania

Successes and Challenges

- Increased leadership of local NGOs in the coalition
- Increased sense of ownership of the members (active participation)
- Increased visibility of the coalition locally, nationally regionally and internationally
- Clear understanding of a member role in the coalition and a donor role
- Undertaking common advocacy issues
- Limited human resources
- Maintaining sustainability



Services provided to members and wider society

- Capacity building activities
- Support in the implementation of common advocacy issues (law amendment, awareness raising campaigns etc.)
- INGO in the coalition financially support BKTF local members)
- Information on services provided for ugh vulnerable communities (through BKTF web page, information leaflets etc.)

Recommendation for reinforcement of the coalitions

- Establish short, medium and long term advocacy issues (through a full participatory process with member NGOs and communities and children) for a sustainable coalition
- Constructive dialogue with policy makers and implementing agencies or structures
- Capacity building of member organizations (bases on need assessment)
- Identification of common interest issues in the region and elaborate common advocacy strategies with other interested coalitions



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