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## TIPS

**EMPOWER YOUNG PEOPLE ALREADY AT THE LOCAL LEVEL** and try to allocate budget for these purposes. Their ideas and insights need to be taken into account during planning and priority setting at the central level. This should be done systematically and in partnership with civil society organisations that are already working with young people.

**MAKE SURE THAT MARGINALISED SECTIONS OF SOCIETY ARE ALWAYS INCLUDED** because diversity among young people will create a fruitful environment, fostering innovation and leading to practical impact.

**CREATE DIGITAL PLATFORMS** to foster online communities and continuous exchange and input from young people on different topics.

**MAKE SURE THAT YOUNG PEOPLE ALWAYS HAVE A SEAT AT THE DECISION-MAKING TABLE.** Young people's voices, perspectives, and insights matter. It's not enough just to invite them to the table; young people have a right to be there.