CHILDHOOD OBESITY IS A MULTIFACETED CHALLENGE

That includes:

- biological
- environmental
- social
- economic and cultural
- lifestyle & behavioural factors

SCOPE OF THE PROBLEM

- Childhood obesity has been identified as one of the most serious public health challenges of the 21st century.
- In 40 years, the number of school-age children and adolescents with obesity has risen more than 10-fold, from 11 million to 124 million.*
- In Europe: 4.5 million children between five and 18 years were living with obesity in 2013. This is projected to reach 4.8 million by 2025.

An estimated 216 million were classified as overweight but not living with obesity in 2016.*

*(2016 estimates from WOF website)

1 in 5 children has overweight or obesity when they start primary school.

1 in 3 when they start secondary school.

www.worldobesity.org/healthy-voices