

# Why Bebbo?

- All parents need support to support child health and development
- Access to service providers and validated guidance is limited across countries due to COVID-19 and shortage of professionals
- Parents use smart phones and need all answers in one place
- Existing solutions are not in our language, not customizable, not free and not off-line
- Some solutions emerging from the region– Halo Beba prototype developed in Serbia





# **Key considerations**

#### Reach

- 12 (+2) countries, 19 languages (Albania, Belarus, Bulgaria, Greece, Kosovo, Kyrgyzstan, North Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia, Tajikistan, Ukraine and Uzbekistan +Moldova and Romania)
- Scalability + easy adaptability + multi-lingual content sharing
- Country capacity limitations
- Partnership with governments and other national partners

### Equity

- Operates in off- line and low-band environments
- Content adapted to local cultural and linguistic contexts
- Supports gender socialization
- Support for developmental delays





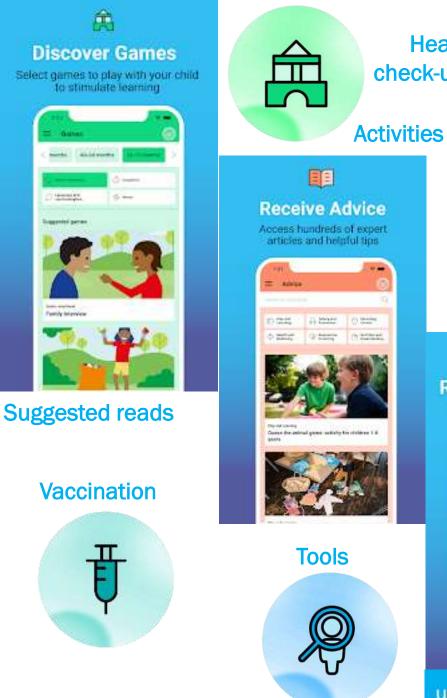




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## **Bebbo app at a glance**

- The individualized mobile application is available in 14 countries and 19 languages and can be used both online and offline when content is pre-downloaded so it can be available when there is no internet access.
- Bebbo app informs and empowers parents to be able to make opportune and right decisions regarding the care and development of their child and their own wellbeing.
- The app actively encourages parents' daily engagement in practices that support development through games, notifications, userfriendly navigation modalities and selection of the core content.







## HOW DOES IT WORK?

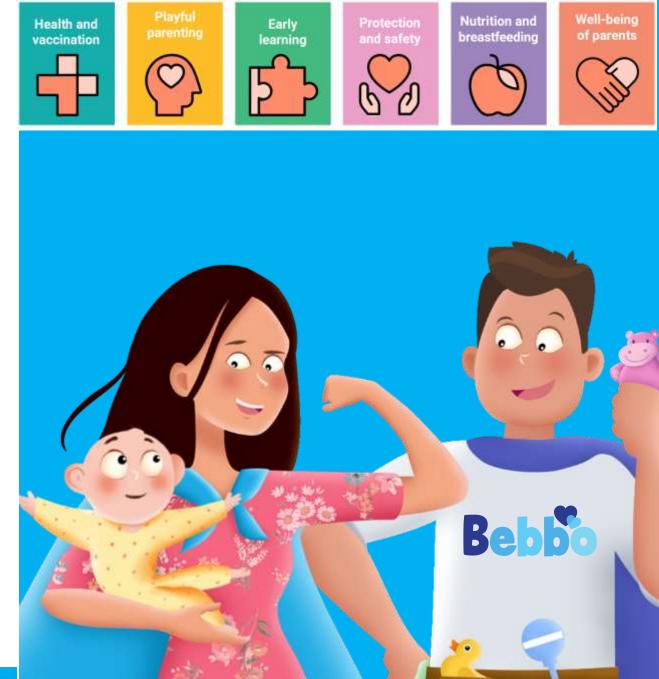
- 1. Parents or immediate caregivers enter basic details about their child (birthdate, gender), and start receiving information relevant to their child's age and gender.
- 2. The app will prompt parents to actively record and monitor their child's development and growth milestones. It will notify parents about upcoming vaccinations and health check-ups, with detailed information, and serve as a userfriendly repository of all records.
- 3. Parents will receive customized guidance on how they can further stimulate their young child's development, introduce a more nutritious diet, or better understand the needs and behaviours of their children.

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## **Bebbo app benefits**

- Monitor and support child's development
- Monitor and support optimal growth
- Track and record health visits and immunization schedules
- Content pushed to parents to the specific age and needs of their child
- Advice library covering all domains of nurturing care
- Two parents simultaneously can use it and set it up for more than one child
- Open-source solution, free of charge for all users, without internal advertising
- Available for Android and iOS mobile phones



# The "localization" of the app in every country

## 1. Establishing technical partnerships for app deployment on a national level

- Government partners
- Expert groups
- Programme partners

## 2. Application contextualisation

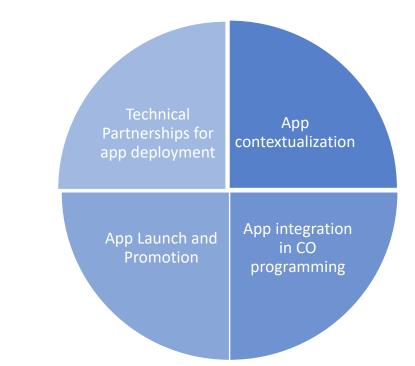
- Content contextualization
- Interface customization

## 3. Application launch and promotion

- 'Launch Toolkit'
- Partnerships package & business engagement opportunities
- M&E plans for the app and its launch/use

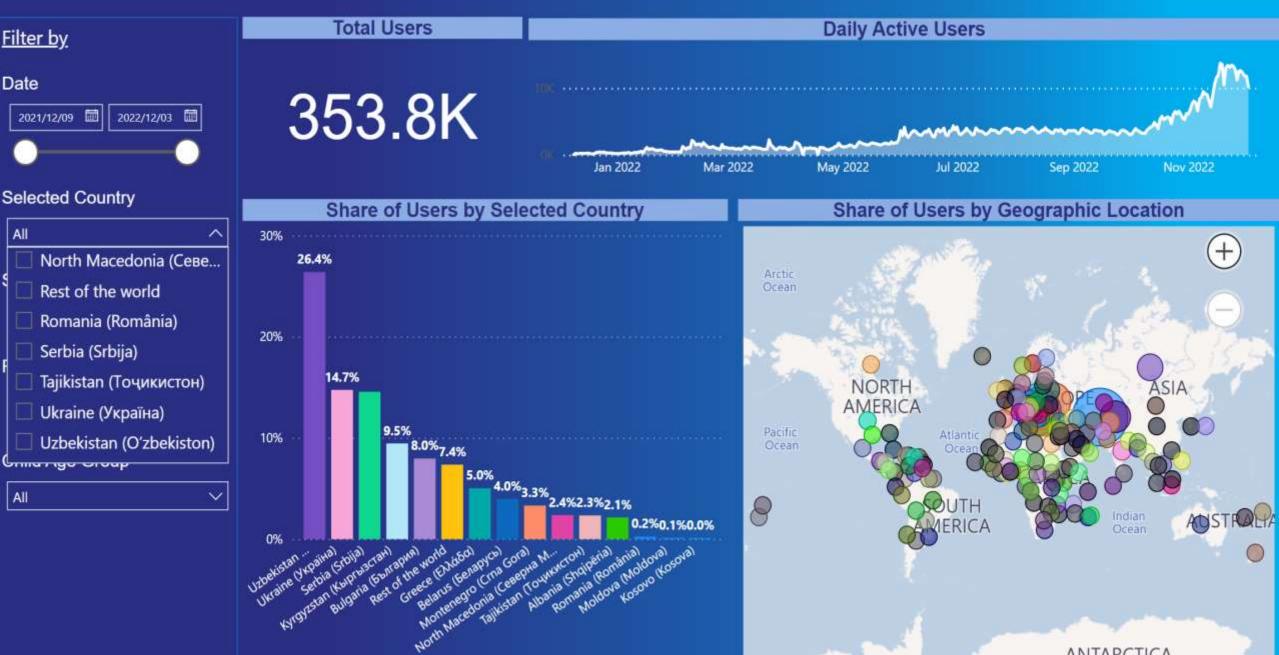
## 4. Application integration into ongoing CO programming

• Identify ways to integrate the app into the existing social services



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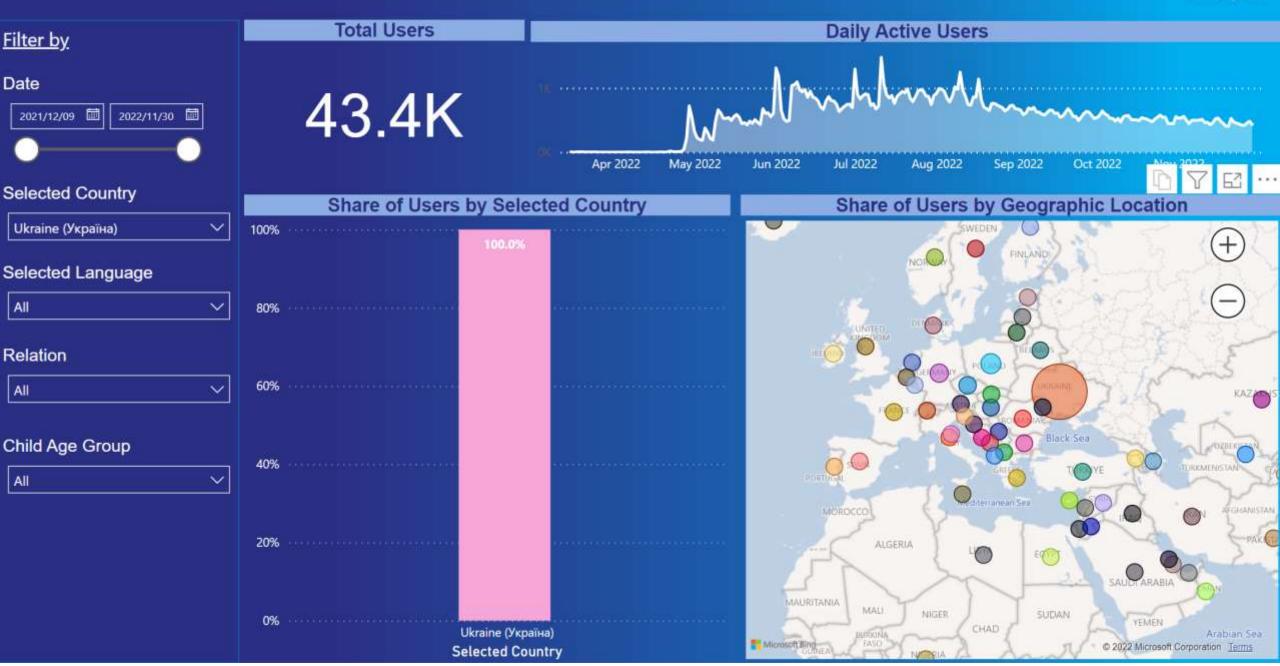
#### **User Information Dashboard**



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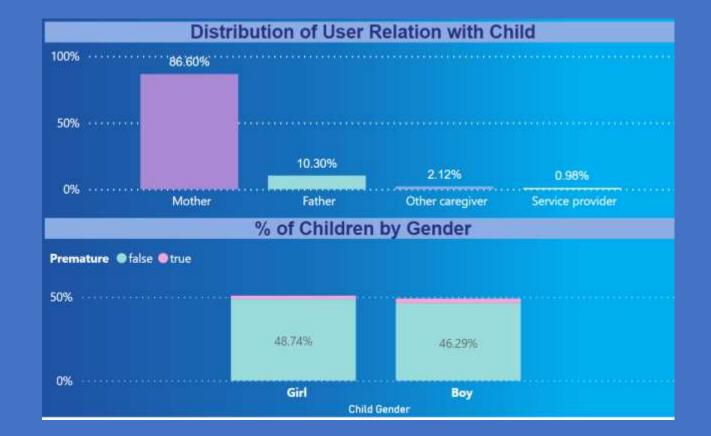
#### **User Information Dashboard Ukraine**

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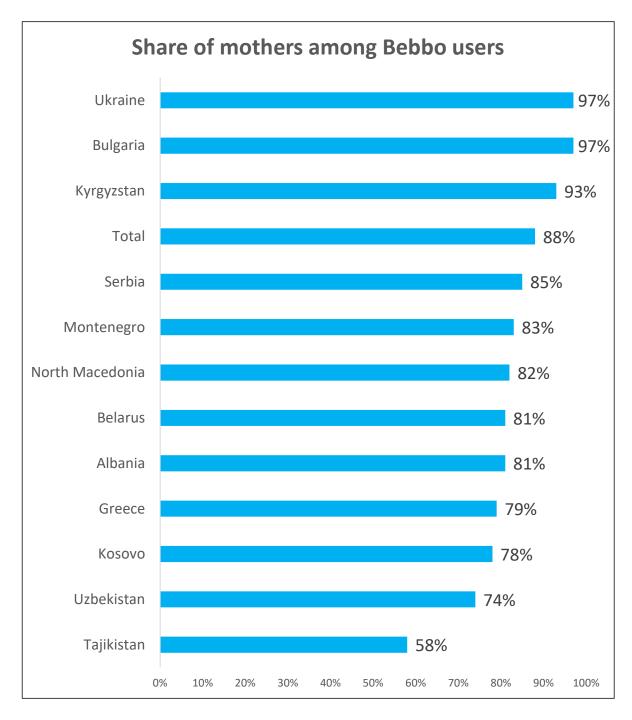




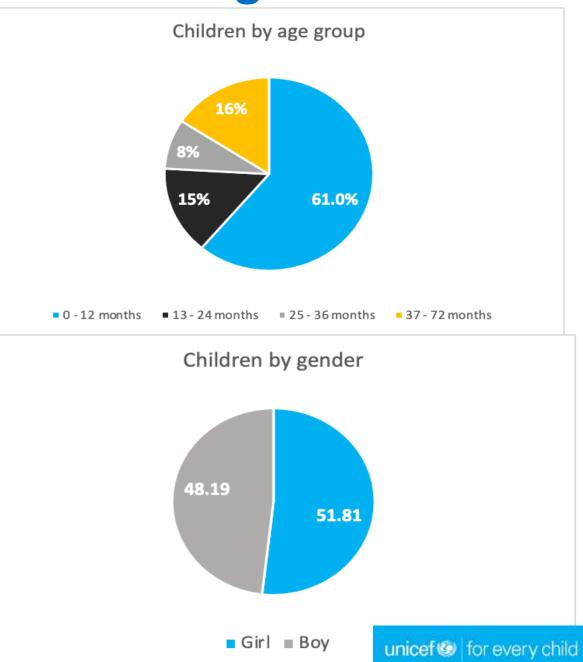
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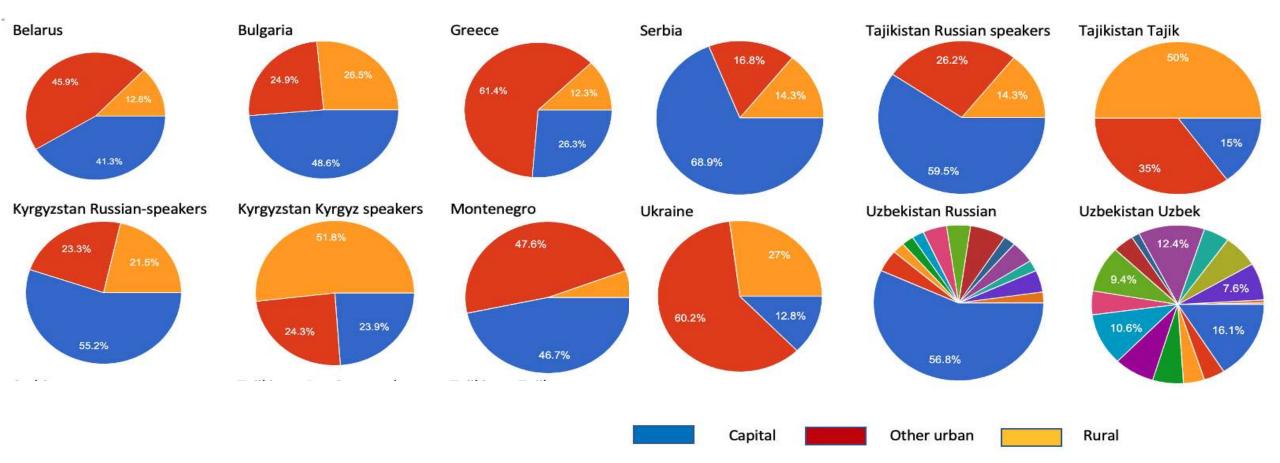
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# **Use of various Bebbo features**

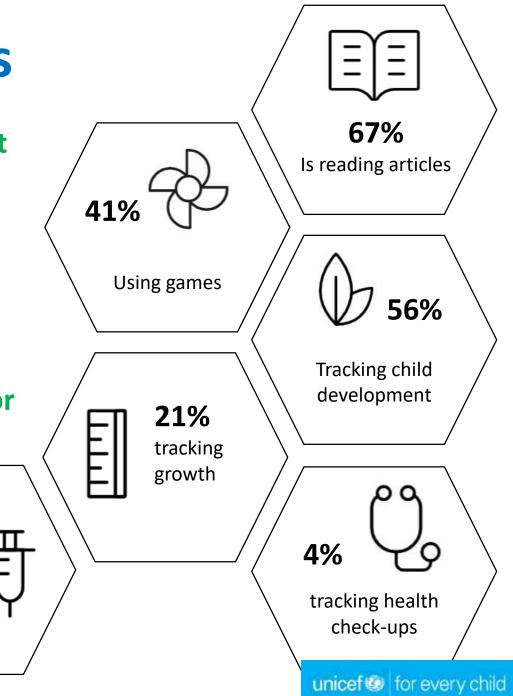
- Most popular article categories are child development followed by nutrition
- Most popular game categories are language and development
- Most popular articles and activities deal with caring for newborn children

15%

Tracking

vaccination

Over 80% of Bebbo survey respondents report they are 'very satisfied' or 'satisfied' with Bebbo!



# What are parents saying about Bebbo?

"Since we discovered this application, which was introduced to us by the paediatrician when she paid a home visit to us, I feel confident I can care for my child in the right way. And my selfconfidence kept increasing thanks to the information I access daily,"

Manjola, mother of two young children from Albania

"Given that we live in an era of internet communication and the rise of social networks, we tend to be overwhelmed with information and advice from various sources and are unable to immediately assess the reliability of some of the information. The **Bebbo app saves me time and energy** because everything I find in it comes from a **credible institution**, so I recommend it to all the parents I know",

Maja, mother of a five year old girl, Montenegro



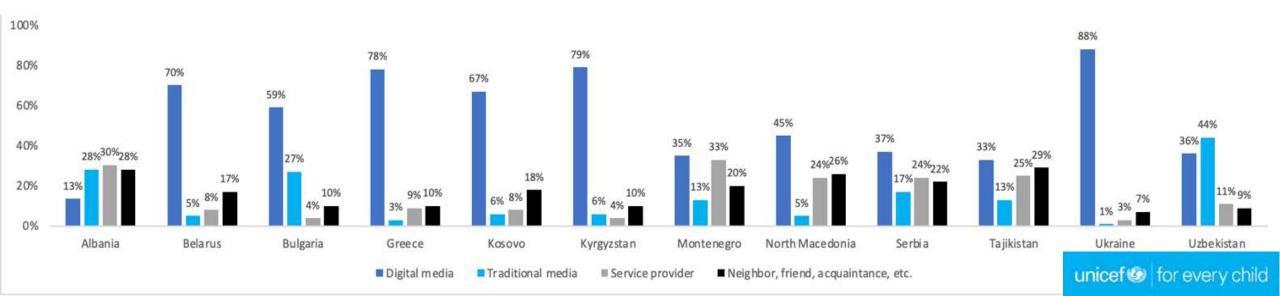
*"I like the fact that you can set the data of both children and monitor their development depending on their age. There are also games that can help you develop certain skills* if you doubt that the child needs a little more help",

Polly, mother of two young children, Bulgaria

## **Main channels for reaching users**

Digital media (ads, posts, influencers, etc.) has brought in most of the new users. It is effective because the ability to target specific audiences is relatively easy. Traditional media is effective for brand awareness that leads to app installs, and it can be very effective when employed together with digital media

Service providers in maternity wards, health centers, preschools etc. recommending Bebbo are trusted and contribute to overall brand image



## **Lessons learned**

- Regional solutions are cost-effective and great if responding to common challenges and needs across countries – must be built for scale
- ✓ "Localization" of any digital solution is an imperative for deployment and sustainability
- ✓ Digital solutions should not be stand alone or projectivized but fully integrated into programme interventions
- Multiple partnerships are essential for content, technology, promotion, sustainability, program integration
- Continuous monitoring, feedback mechanisms and promotion through all channels are necessary for growth and sustainability