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HEALTH4LGBTI

REDUCING HEALTH INEQUALITIES EXPERIENCED BY LGBTI PEOPLE

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Background of the project

- LGBTI people experience significant health inequalities that have impact on their health outcomes.
- **Stigma and discrimination** combined with social isolation and limited understanding of their lives by others, lead to **significant barriers** in terms of accessing health and social care services.
- Healthcare and other professionals commonly assume that LGBTI people's health needs are the same as those of heterosexual people. **They are not.**
- Many health inequalities are preventable. MS and the EU must work towards the development of high quality health services across the Union that are **equally accessible** to all.

Objectives of the project

- To gain a better understanding of the **specific health inequalities** experienced by LGBTI people, focusing in particular on overlapping inequalities stemming from (intentional and unintentional) discrimination and unfair treatment on other grounds (e.g. older, younger, refugee, immigrant, disability, rural, poverty);
- To gain a better understanding of the **barriers** faced by health professionals when providing care to these groups;
- To raise awareness about the **needs of LGBTI people** and provide healthcare professionals with specific tools to ensure that they have the **right skills and knowledge** to overcome the identified barriers.

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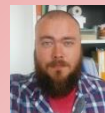
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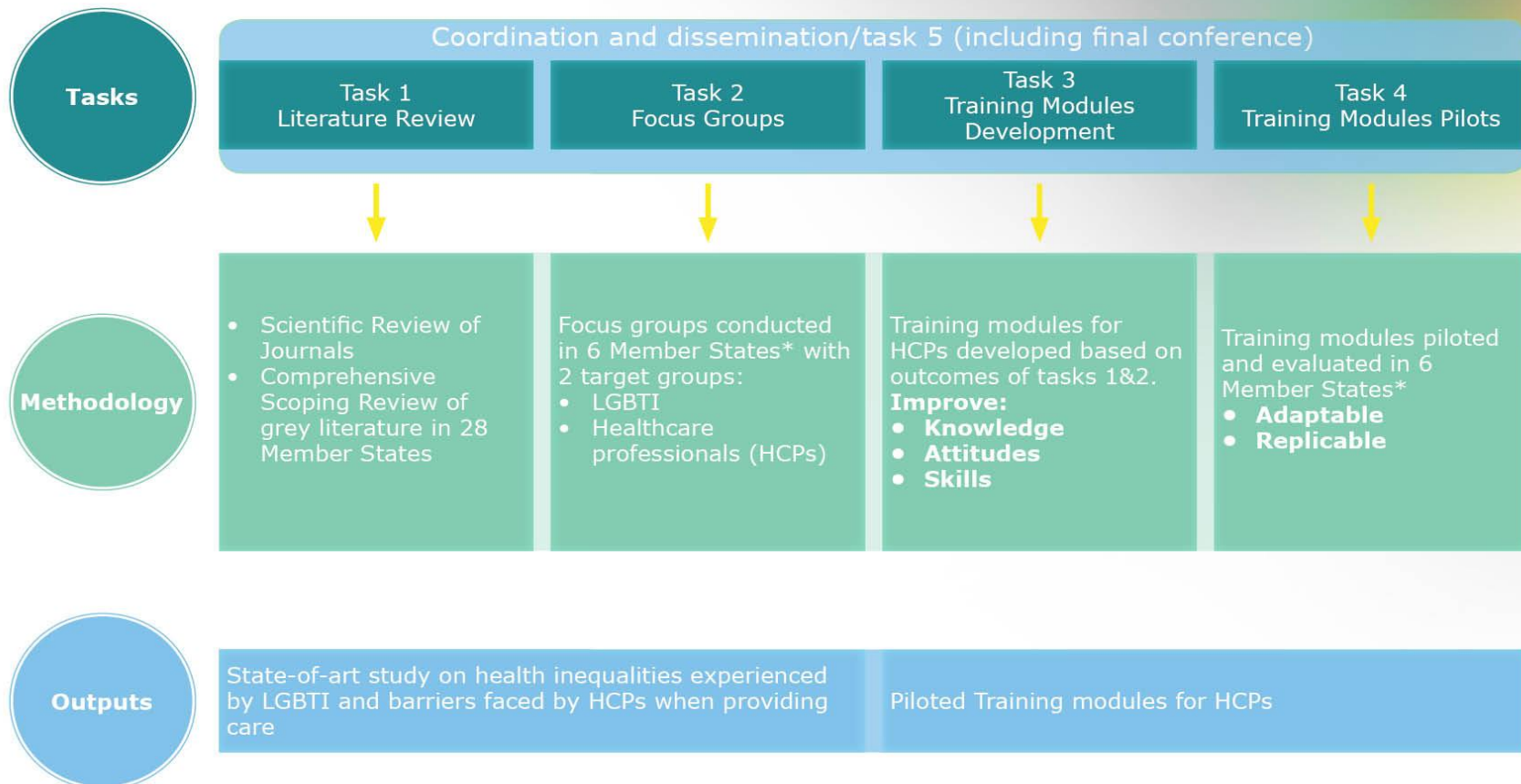


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Project overview



(*) The 6 Member States are: Belgium, Bulgaria, Italy, Lithuania, Poland, UK

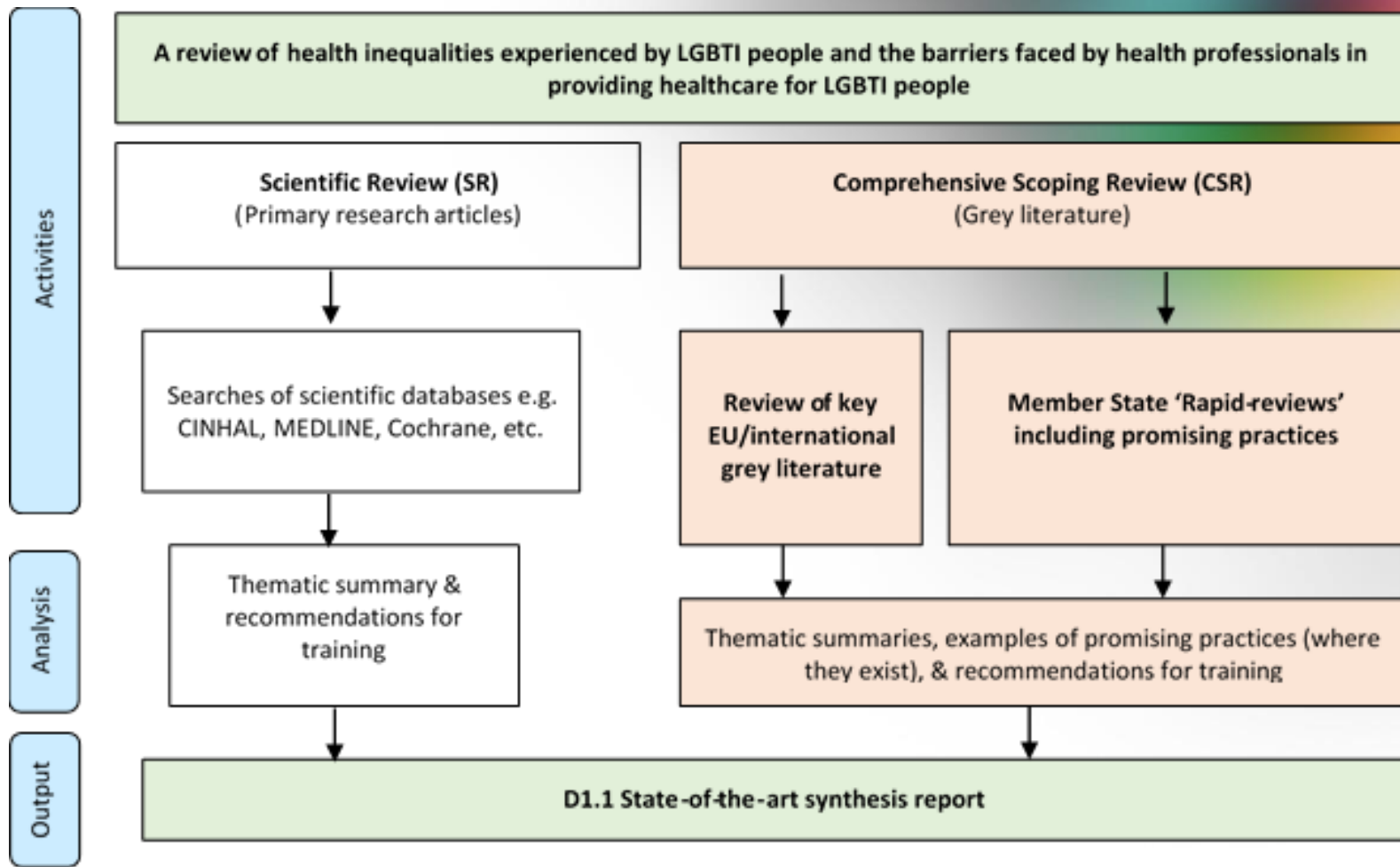
Task 1

A review of health inequalities experienced by LGBTI people and the barriers faced by health professionals in providing healthcare for LGBTI people

Deliverable

D1.1 State of the art synthesis report

Task 1



Task 2

Qualitative research: Focus groups studies with LGBTI people and health professionals

Deliverable

D2.1 Overview report on the outcomes of the focus groups

Two FG studies in 6 countries

Across six MS, **12 focus groups** were conducted (two per country) engaging **103 participants** from the UK, Belgium, Italy, Poland, Lithuania, and Bulgaria

- **Study 1:** Mapping barriers to healthcare faced by LGBTI people (n=52)
- **Study 2:** Mapping health professionals' experiences and ideas for examples of actual and potential interventions (n=51)

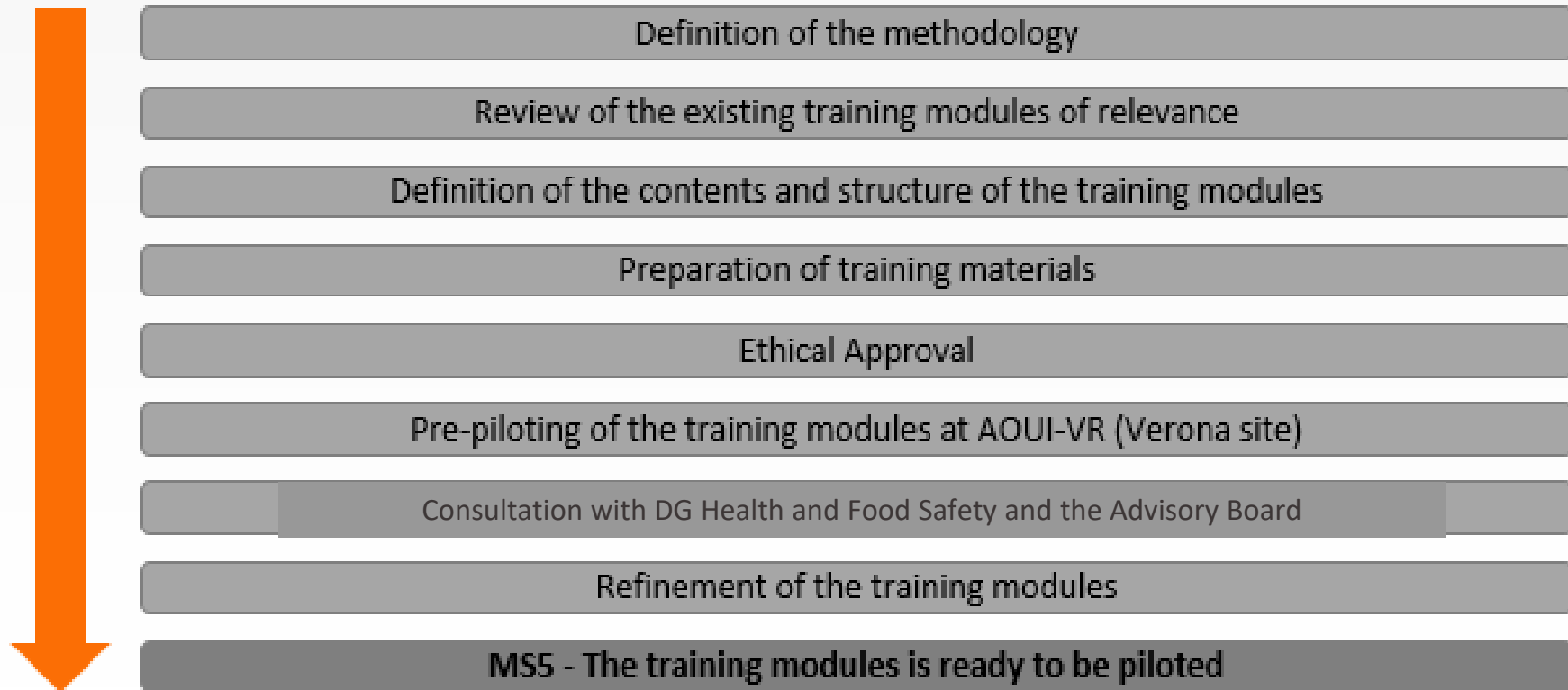
Task 3

Development of training modules

Deliverable

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Development of training module(s)



Task 4

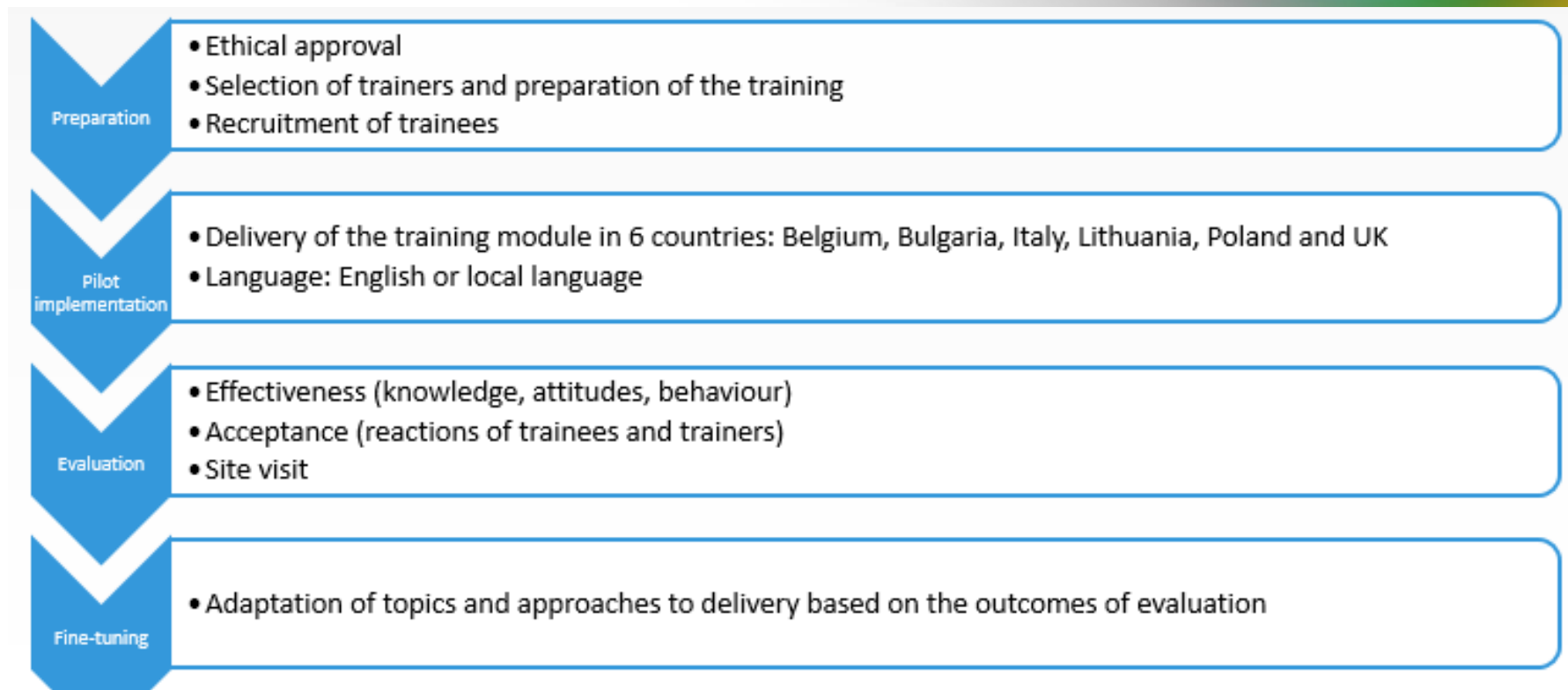
Piloting of the training modules

Deliverable

D4.1 Evaluation report on piloting

D4.2 Validated training modules

Pilot the training module(s)



Task 5

Dissemination and final conference

Deliverable

D5.1 Final conference

Dissemination and final conference

Communication & dissemination strategy

- Agree on 'core' messages
- Identify target groups / Analyse relevant stakeholders
- Prepare communication tools: general look & feel, website, social media,...
- Establish communication plan by month, based on T 1,2,3,4 outcomes & deliverables: press releases, presentations, etc.

Conference organisation

- Identify venue, logistics, etc.
- Identify invitees (Representatives from MS authorities; civil society; submit to EC)
- Establish design & programme, based on T3 & 4 – validated training modules
- Send conference invitations & follow-up

Further info

http://ec.europa.eu/health/social_determinants/projects/ep_funded_projects_en.htm#fragment2

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Reducing Health Inequalities Experienced by LGBTI People (Health4LGBTI)*

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