



Promoting children's and adolescents' rights in Romania and Italy (PRO-CHILD)

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22 months



IDENTIFIED PROBLEMS

In Romania

- Babies and children abandoned in maternity and paediatric wards
- Children whose parents have emigrated (Children left behind)
- Young people from institutions
- Neglected children, belonging to socio-economically vulnerable families

In Italy

- Intolerance towards foreigners, particularly Romanian, Roma and non
- Immigrant parents, with children in their home country
- Neglected children, belonging to socio-economically vulnerable families

WHERE ?

Milan, Rome, Ramnicu Valcea and Brasov



GOAL

To promote and support the right of children and adolescents to grow up within their own families and be fully integrated within local communities



Specific objectives

- 1) Creating awareness of the right of children and adolescents to grow up within their own families, as well as addressing the themes of racism, stereotypes and intolerance towards migrant families, ethnic groups and other vulnerable groups;
- 2) Protecting the rights of children and adolescents to healthy family relationships and parent-child relations, as well as their rights to grow and learn within caring local communities;
- 3) Strengthening the capacity of relevant stakeholders to formulate, design and implement policies and strategies addressing the abandonment and neglect of children and adolescents, as well as the themes of racism, stereotypes and intolerance

Beneficiaries

Group 1

Romanian and Roma children, adolescents and their families living in Romania and Italy, belonging to vulnerable groups (children and adolescents who are abandoned/at risk of abandonment; children, adolescents and their families who are victims of racism and intolerance due to ethnic reasons or to stereotypes). Families at risk of causing Romanian and Roma children and adolescents in Romania and Italy to be neglected or abandoned (2,000 persons in the Province of Rome and 2,000 persons in the Brasov district).

BENEFICIARIES

Group 2

Young social volunteers, students (1,000 people in the Province of Milan and 1,000 people in the Valcea district)

Group 3

Stakeholders 1,600 people in the 4 areas of intervention

ACHIEVEMENTS

Through the implementation of the activities
planned in the 5 Workstreams



Romania

Italia

WORKSTREAM 1

PRO-CHILD Awareness Campaign and Visibility

- ✓ Logo design and message defined
- ✓ Brochures, t-shirts, stickers, folders produced
- ✓ Web sites www.nimeninupoatecrestesingur.eu
www.nessunopuocresceresolo.eu
- ✓ 12 Launches, intermediate and final conferences held in Milan, Rome, Valcea and Brasov (Romania)
- ✓ Other productions: radio spots, 2 DVDS, book and 3 publications on the activities



Province of Milan

Valcea District

WORKSTREAM 2

Involvement of young volunteers

MORE THAN 2,600 YOUNG PEOPLE INVOLVED

- ✓ **2,382 Italian and Romanian** young people made aware of the vulnerable condition of a large number of Romanian children and their fundamental rights; active participation through volunteer experience
- ✓ **112 young people** selected, trained in Milan and participants in the summer camps in Romania in 2011

Province of Milan

Valcea District

WORKSTREAM 2

Involvement of young volunteers

- ✓ **44 students** selected, trained (Toolbox course, the toolbox of the PRO CHILD animator) and makers of **60 incubators** in high schools, residential communities, day care centres.
- ✓ ***The Company***, a short film produced to increase awareness regarding Romanians
- ✓ ***Stay Inside*** volunteering in the words of the Italian and Romanian volunteers.

Province of Roma

Brasov district

WORKSTREAM 3

Training seminars for Community Social Mediators

- ✓ 20 mediators, selected and trained in Brasov (nationally recognized diploma)
- ✓ 25 mediators, selected and attending the MEDIACOM training course in Rome

Who will operate inside the local communities aiming to sensitize and support the families, to combat the phenomenon of abandoning and neglecting children and adolescents.

Brasov district

Province of Roma

WORKSTREAM 4

Involvement of and support for children, adolescents and their families

Almost 5,900 persons sensitised

Two sociological researches have been realised which identified:

150 Romanian families in the province of Rome

150 families in the Brasov district

Where children and adolescents live in neglected conditions or at risk of abandonment or have been abandoned.

2 Research Summaries Published (complete versions also available on the website)

Brasov district

Province of Roma

WORKSTREAM 4

Involvement of and support for children, adolescents and their families

- ✓ **264 Workshops** held in the Brasov district and in the Province of Rome, **5,888 persons sensitised**
- ✓ **164 families** supported by a social assistant and/or psychologist
- ✓ **134 families** supported by Social Community Mediators
- ✓ **DVD** published with a documentary on Pro-child mediators, and the fiction film *The awaiting* projected to create awareness during the workshop.
- ✓ **Brochures** on Social Community Mediators

Romania

Italia

WORKSTREAM 5

Strengthening the Administrative Capacity of relevant Institutions and Stakeholders

5 day institutional mission of Romanian Stakeholders in Italy during which the 11 participants became familiar with policies, strategies and initiatives undertaken at various levels to protect children's and adolescents' rights to family and community life, combat stereotypes against immigrants and the Roma population, and fight against racism and intolerance. Meetings with institutional representatives and visits to public and private communities supporting children, were organised.