

Project: 2016-1-RO01-KA202-024402 Enhance professionals' knowledge for a sustainable refugees' integration

Evaluation of the joint staff training event on 07.04.2017

I. Discussion in country groups (RO, BG, ES, SE)

Please discuss in your country-groups:

- What can we take with us from this seminar? (lessons learned)
- What approaches can be applied to our country?
- What are the hurdles during the transfer?

Please summarize the main results of discussion on the flip-chart

<u>Plenary session: Report from the working groups – Please present your results to all of us!</u>

Feedback from partner countries:

Romania:

- Café why not? Facilitation of interaction (refugees and nationals) in a non-formal way meeting each other and eliminate prejudice ideas
- The strategy to work with volunteers/motivation. Migrant organisations DE(RO organization for refugees women very limited support)
- Limited support from authorities (city hall, immigration office)
- Develop strategies at national level with support of other local NGOs. Lobby continuously among stake-holders: immigration office, labor authorities/jobcenters, social departments, cities, municipalities.

Belgium:

1.

- Different system of employment
- Specific program for refugees (work)
- Use communication of the target group and public figures
- Importance of volunteers
- Why not? Good practice example
- Difference between A-B-C countries
- Earning contracts/internships for young refugees
- Migrant organisations as important possible partners

2.

- Specific guidance for refugees in search for work
- How to attract house offers?
- Creating a meeting space
- 3.
- activities on the level of government
- Specificly of Belgium situation
- Budgets
- 4. Discussion and brainstorming in the team meeting Thursday
 - Share ideas with the Caritas-borad
 - Hof for the best (polity influence)

Sweden:

- What can we take with us from this seminar?
 - -The good example and the importance of the initial support (integration directive 2003) for those who receive permission, especially NGO:s but also from the authorities.
- The need of accommodation and the method of activate new landlords (food, chocolate, music, worship) and volunteers in general.
- The importance of help for persons with traumatic experiences with the example of trauma and therapy centres.
- Matching...???

All above can be applied to our country

Hurdles during transfer are:

- Money, and funding; and political decisions
- The Migration office take a professional standpoint, e g, volunteer work has been more or less legalised under state control. Scepticism from volunteer towards whole systems breads from the wall between the legal work and volunteer work.
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Next steps to the transfer?

Inform others, in daily life, direct contacts with politicians. Handbook information, prepare who, when, why, where...

Spain:

- Language quality and structure
- Global vision on the asylum system (legal, job, VET, psycho., volunteers
- Different ways to support people
- Why not? Good practice!
- Better networking with NGOs
- NGOs and authorities are working together

- Improve language courses
- Problem: Spanish authorities resistance to change
- Vulnerability: irregular immigrants when asylum rejected
- Few \$
- High unemployment rates
- Rising awareness on best practices: forum/workshop/debate
- Promote involvement of municipalities
- Promote why not-approach in Madrid

Special questions for the German partners

<u>Please discuss in your country group</u>

- What did we learn from our partners?
- What was new for us?
- What did we notice in the discussion?

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Germany:

- Information about the differences in work and the social- and law systems of the participating countries
- Focus and possibilities of daily work with refugees
- Connection of human trafficking and refugee work
- Realizing that religion is a "taboo" in the Swedish society and that here ist now a debate to open up to this
- The economic system of each country has a big influence of to deal with the topics of refugee work/law and rights, e.g. Spain 90% rejection
- Further examples: Belgium 2 month to find a flat after recognition; Sweden/Romania – right to have a lawyer

II Discussion in mixed groups

Suggestions with regard to the next seminar in Belgium has been shared in the last round – more time to discuss in smaller groups.