

# Roma-NET

# Integration of ROMA population

Starting date:

**25 November 2009** 

**Duration:** 

30 months

Total cost:

€ 639.179,00

**EU Funding:** € 476.189,00

Total cost for the Municipality of Bologna:

€ 67.790.00

Expected funding for the Municipality of Bologna:

€ 67.790,00

(of which: 70% from the Programme Funds [ERDF] and 30% from the National Rotation Fund)

**Funding Programme: URBACT II, second phase** 

#### **Coordinator:**

Municipality of Budapest (HU)

#### **Partners:**

Municipality of Bologna (IT)

Municipality of Udine (IT)

Municipality of Nagykálló (HU)

City of Karvina (CZ)

City of Kocise (SL)

City of Glasgow (UK)

City of Almeria (ES)

City of Torrent (ES).

#### **Associate Partner:**

Municipality of Bobigny (F)

#### **AIM**

The project mainly aims at establishing a plan of international exchanges and local activities, in order to facilitate the learning, comparison and transferability of good practices as regards the integration of Roma population in the different partners' communities.

The objective of this partnership is to support the various partner cities in developing a Local Action Plan that provides services with improved access and integrated approach, to facilitate the social inclusion of young Roma and their transition into active adult citizens

## **ACTIONS**

The actions will be carried out at both local and international level:

actions: buildina empowerment of the Local Support Group, creation of a data-base of good practices, draft of a Local Action Plan to get access to funds such as the ESF or

ERDF, local dissemination of the obtained from results comparison with the partner cities; international actions: taking part in international meetings, enhancement good local practices, learning and exchange with the partners.



#### **ISSUES**

ROMA-NET is dealing with two issues that are crucial in fighting poverty and social exclusion of Roma population: access to services and active inclusion in the labour market.

These issues are divided into three subjects of study and comparison. Each subject is deepened, in particular, by three partners of the Project, that report to the others about the discussion contents:

Active involvement of the community: City of Udine (group leader), Glasgow, Nagykálló.

Integrated local approach against discrimination and exclusion: city of Almerìa (group leader), Karvinà, Kosice.

Building of a labour social market: city of **Budapest** (group leader), Bologna, Torrent.

The role of the leader of these in-depth group is to organize and lead the exchange among partners, preparing summary documents and offering useful tools for the draft of the Local Action Plans (e.g. study cases, good practices).

## **BENEFICIARIES**

Beneficiaries of the projects are:

- directly, the Roma communities existing on the partner cities' areas (in particular, young adults and their families)
- indirectly, Bodies and Organisations / ONG's operating in favour of the Roma population.

## EXPECTED RESULTS

The major results expected is an improvement of the standards of living of the Roma population residing in the partner cities.

Beside, the plan of transitional exchange and local activities will help the partner organisations to develop a Local Action Plan which will reach for funding from the structural funds or other European funds to implement the actions.



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