

Project
„Awareness raising of local communities in areas with significant share of Roma population on asylum and migration issues“

The project is financed by the Norwegian Financial Mechanism 2014-2021

Overall objective of the project:

The objective of the project is to facilitate the access to information of the Roma communities in the sphere of legislation, regulating issues regarding asylum and migration, as well as the risks of exploitation in Bulgaria, the European Union (EU) and the European Economic Area (EEA).

The target group of the project will receive information about the rights and obligations they have when migrating in countries of the EU/EEA and information on subjects such as asylum and migration, human trafficking, risks and access to protection of labour exploitation in the EU/EEA, accommodation and labour conditions, access to healthcare and social services and other such topics.

Target groups of the project:

Roma communities in Bulgaria, which are characterized with lower education levels, lower legal culture, higher unemployment rate, lack of financial resources or lower wages compared to the average for the country. These are all factors which cumulatively create segregated and marginalized ghettos, exposed to extreme poverty, discrimination, lack of access to services, lack of security and high criminal activity.

In addition, during the information campaigns, targeted at raising awareness of the rights and obligations of asylum seekers in Bulgaria, as well as the risks, related to human trafficking, Roma communities in areas close to the borders or those that are located near the internal migrant traffic routes will be included.

Project activities:

- Development of a complete analysis of the situation of Roma communities regarding issues related to migration with the aim of better understanding of the themes targeted by the project.
- Organization of information campaigns aiming to raise awareness among the Roma communities regarding legal aspects, related to the rights of the asylum seekers and migrants without documents in Bulgaria, including victims of human trafficking.
- Organization of information sessions, discussions, work meetings, seminars and other events aimed at raising awareness regarding issues, related to work in the EU/EEA, the risk and protection of exploitation, including the risk of human trafficking for labour exploitation, access to social and health services, etc.

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Term of implementation: 48 months