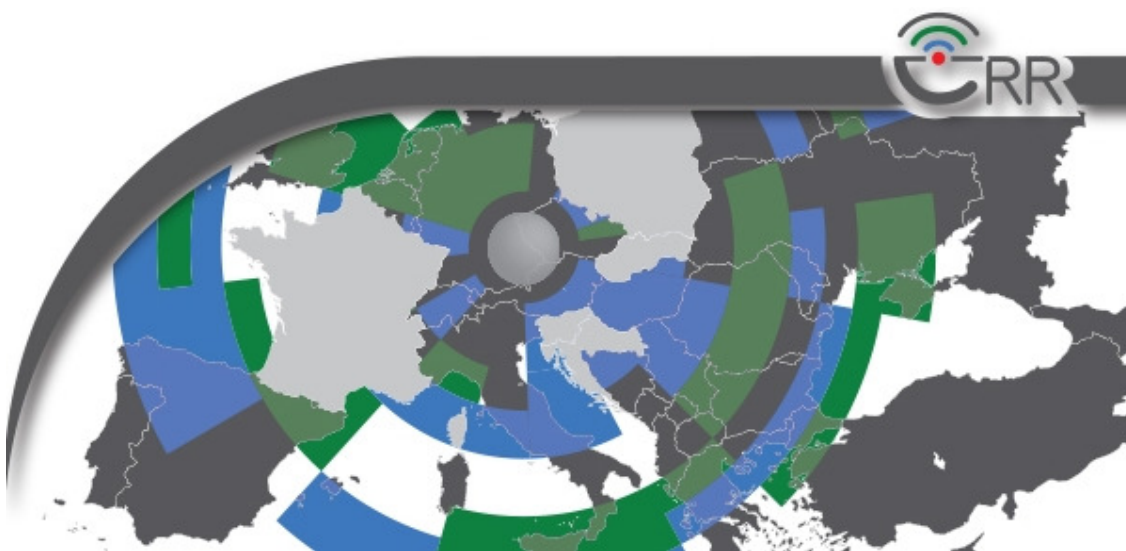


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eRoma Resource project, 2nd eNewsletter, October 2014

eRoma Resource: a project always in progress...

The e-RR project is now 10 months since its beginning, we are pleased to send to you our second eNewsletter to discover the last activities and events realized by the project partners for the last four months.

Inside this 2nd eNewsletter you can know more about the new activities realized for the research of eRoma Resource project, we also give you some news about the second transnational meeting which took place in Slovakia and about other work meetings, seminars and events realized in Europe always on the Roma communities support.

Slovak partners organized 2nd e-Roma Resource Project meeting

The 2nd Project meeting of the members of international project e-Roma Resource was held on September 18th – 19th 2014 at Faculty of Health Sciences and Social Work. During this meeting, project partners approved the final version of the methodology guide and tools for the needs assessment and the realization of situation analysis. During the meeting, project partners discussed about the primary form of online platforms and the individual sections, which will be a part of this platform. The content and structure of the portal will be upgraded, supplemented and varied in accordance with the findings of the research



TRUNI team continues in active dissemination of the project. The reportage from the project meeting was broadcast in local television (<http://bit.ly/1sDJJLC>) and contained information of the current situation of project activities and the main objective the project. Other activities of our team have been presented in the form of a press release in the agency TASR (<http://bit.ly/1pXFFGh>), as well as through an article in the university magazine.

The presentation of the e-RR portal in Wiena



On the 2nd and 3rd of October RIC Novo mesto e-RR project team participated in a conference Empowering marginalized groups through education and training in Danube region in Wiena. The conference was organized by Austrian agency for international mobility and cooperation in education science and research – Department National Agency of Lifelong Learning and the Austrian Ministry of Education and Women's Affairs. Emphasis of the conference was on the integration of socially disadvantages pupils - particularly Roma Children's access to education in the Danube Region Countries. The main aim of the conference were discussion, awareness raising and networks formation.

Half of the conference was held in four parallel workshops, where best-practice multilateral Roma project were presented. RIC Novo mesto presented e-Roma Resource project at the workshop Awareness rising and networks focusing on Roma. Beside the main information about the project we also presented the proposal of the designed e-RR portal for the first time. We've received very positive responses from participants and good recommendations and comments of experts, who are potential users of the portal. All this gave us further encouragement for our work on the project.

The conference was good opportunity to present the e-RR portal and invite potential users of the portal, to use the e-RR portal as dissemination tool for their projects and project results.

New Faces of Roma in Poland

The Union of Associations MULTIKULTURA cooperates with Elżbieta Mirga-Wójtowicz - Plenipotentiary of Malopolska Voivode for National and Ethnic Minorities. MULTIKULTURA took a part in the promotion of

the latest publications on Roma with presentation in the local centers of culture.

- International Center of Culture <http://www.mck.krakow.pl/>
- Nowa Huta Center of Culture <http://nck.krakow.pl/>

MULTIKULTURA discussed with Malopolska Voivode the possibility to include some of their publications on the e-RR Project web page. <http://jednizwielu.pl/>

„Roma. Poles. Some of the many” that is a campaign to change attitudes of Poles to the Roma minority. Roma often face prejudice or other barriers that hinder their social integration. "Some of the many" are Roma for whom, the integration was successful. Their portraits are presented as an example that it is possible if local communities are not negatively geared.



This publication is very well received in Poland. There are a huge billboards on the streets of Polish towns with faces of Roma people who managed to succeed with their career. The billboards are of the same size as the ones used in political campaigns. It wouldn't definitely be missed by the large local public. The local media discuss the book on the TV, Radio and Newspapers.

e-RR project promotion in Spain

People's University of Kočevje has implemented European mobility project (Erasmus+ Programme), from 19th to 24th of October 2014. Through the project "Improved Skills of Professional Staff - The Key to Successful Social and Economic Inclusion of Roma" we were learning about the positive experiences of the Spanish colleagues from Granada in the integration of Roma in education and in the labour market.

Among other our role was to present People's University of Kočevje projects that are related to Roma issues. Special attention was devoted to a detailed presentation and promotion of the e-RR project. We presented e-RR project activities to 4 different Andalusian institutions, namely MEP Europrojects Granada, Association of Roma Anaquerando, SAE (Andalusian employment agency) and the Association of Roma women. Representatives of all these organizations were enthusiastic about the emerging e-RR platform and assured that the contents of the platform will be very useful for their future work. We have returned home happy as we managed to achieve the purpose of the wider promotion of the project.

In Croatia: Football to build a bridge of tolerance

While researching state of art of Roma population in Croatia, we found an interesting story. In the honour of Roma international day (4.april), a football match played under the banner 'Respect for diversity', was played in Slavonski Brod. Croatian Roma Representation hosted the team of priests from Bosnia and Herzegovina. The team of priests proved to be a better team and won with seven against three.

It was a friendly game anyways. Romani team used the match to point to the problems faced by the Roma population, and to call for appreciation and mutual respect. They also appealed to the competent

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authorities that they need a future to fight for their rights. The representation of priests say that football was the least important thing of the meeting and that they provide support to the Roma population and all their actions.

Members of both teams hope that this and similar actions contribute to better integration of Roma into society and draw attention to key issues.

In France: a strong and dynamic network of professionals working with Roma

ADICE is leading in this period a research activity among stakeholders related to the Roma community. We are looking for local and national structures which offer, in one way or another, moral and physical support to the Roma migrants in France. These researches give to us the opportunity to observe that a big variety of structures are supporting Roma Communities in France in different fields: schools who host Roma children, child care services, job centers, social service centers, municipal councils and administrative offices, as well as associations which defend the Roma's rights and contribute towards their integration.



This research has also enabled ADICE to see the commitment and dynamism of governmental and non-governmental organizations in the Nord Pas-de-Calais region and in other parts of France through all the actions developed: the fight against discrimination, creating insertion villages, support with homework and French language, access to school for Roma children in school, the creation of "school trucks", and support for Roma to access health services and employment.

Among these structures, ADICE has contacted the network Roma composed by several French

organizations. One of them "la Sauvegarde du Nord" has created an online book to get awareness about Roma community life (book in french and in Romani language): <http://bit.ly/1E57zIP>

This online book is a good example of the materials on Roma in Europe, which will be collected and available for all on e-RR the portal.

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