



PRESS RELEASE

Direcția de Asistență Socială și Medicală and its partners are starting the implementation of the project entitled

"DOWN - Without barriers!"

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"DOWN – Without barriers!", is an Erasmus+ KA-1 project, financed by the Erasmus + Programme of the European Union, which will be implemented by Direcția de Asistență Socială și Medicală (Cluj-Napoca, Romania) as coordinator, in partnership with Asociația AGA Down Sindrom Cluj (Cluj-Napoca, Romania), Asociația Babilon Travel (Cluj-Napoca, Romania), The Municipality of Fyli (Greece), Down Sendromu Dernegi (Turkey) and Associazione Italiana Persone Down Onlus (Italy).

The implementation period of the project is 9 months (16.03.2020-15.12.2020) and the approved budget of the project is 38.889 Euros.

The purpose of this project is creating/ensuring a favorable context for promoting diversity, intercultural dialogue for young people (with and without Down Syndrome) and social inclusion, as well as improving the professional competences of youth workers in the activities carried out with young people with and without Down Syndrome.

The specific objectives of the project are: contributing to the development of the professional competencies of 20 youth workers from 4 countries and to raising their awareness in their work with youngsters with down syndrome, within a training course, held in Istanbul, Turkey (time frame to be decided); contributing to the optimization of the quality of work with youngsters with down syndrome of 20 youth workers and to the development of suitable working tools, adapted to the needs of the target group, by creating a good practice manual as a result of the training course; contributing to the development of the learning and communication performances, of the initiative spirit and self-esteem, their intercultural awareness and to facilitating access to labor market for 24 youngsters with and without Down Syndrome, within a 7 days youth exchange held in Cluj-Napoca, Romania (5-10 October 2020).

In order to achieve its purpose and objectives, the project proposes 3 main activities: a training course for 20 youth workers from 4 partner countries (time frame to be decided); an advance planning visit for the youth exchange, which will bring together the coordinators of the project selected by the partners of the consortium (september 2020, Cluj-Napoca, Romania) and a youth exchange, which will bring together 24 youngsters with and without down syndrome from the 4 partner countries (5-10 october 2020, Cluj-Napoca, Romania).

Should you have any questions about the project, please contact us at phone no. 0264-599316 or e-mail: dascluinapoca@gmail.com.

In the current context of the spread of COVID-19 virus, for the safety of the participants, the periods mentioned in the present release may be modified. Cluj-Napoca, 17.03.2020









