



GAP WORK



EU-FUNDED TRAINING

FOR YOUTH PRACTITIONERS ON GENDER-RELATED VIOLENCE

This project tackles gender-related violence against (and by) children & young people by developing new training for practitioners who have everyday contact with general populations of children and young people (such as teachers, youth workers and sports coaches). The training will improve practitioners' confidence and ability to challenge sexist, sexualising, homophobic or controlling language and behaviour, and to know when and how to refer children and young people to appropriate support services.

It bridges gaps between:

- services for adults and children
- victim-support services and everyday professional contact with children
- *supporting* those affected and *intervening* in peer cultures to challenge violence
- tackling dating violence or homophobia.

It involves partners in Italy, Ireland, Spain and the UK, who in each country will:

- Train 200 practitioners
- Enable them to train their colleagues
- Produce new leaflets on gender-related violence for youth practitioners
- Report on practitioner training and its evaluation.

The project is funded through the DAPHNE programme to eradicate violence against women and children and is lead by Brunel University (UK).

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Improving referral
and educational
interventions against
violence through
new training for
youth practitioners
in 4 countries

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Partners: Institute of Education (UK), NUIM (National University of Ireland at Maynooth), CIRSDE, at UNITO (University of Torino, Italy), URV (University of Rovira I Virgili, Spain)

Training Partners: Rights of Women (RoW), About Young People (AYP), Candela, TAMAIA Viure sense violència, DEMETRA, Circolo Culturale Maurice

Associate Partners: London Borough of Lewisham (UK), Federation of Neighbour Associations of Barcelona and the Catalan Youth Agency (Spain), Hungarian Academy of Sciences and Victimology Society of Serbia (Serbia).

A broad definition of 'gender-related violence' (GRV) is adopted which problematises sexist, sexualising or norm-driven bullying and harassment whoever is targeted. Central to the project is the idea of enabling trainees to feel confident in sharing their learning with colleagues and of seeking to mainstream such training in future professional formation. It will contribute resources to the online DAPHNE Toolkit and publish findings in the six partner languages.

The project runs February 2013 to February 2015, culminating in a Conference in late 2014.



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