MIRROR

"Developing agreed methodology of identification and referral for trafficking for labour exploitation: guaranteeing the victims the access to protection"

Leader of the project:

ACCEM – Spain, www.accem.es

Partners of the project:

Opere Riunite Buon Pastore – Venezia, Italy, www.buonpastore.org
Churches' Commission for Migrants in Europe (CCME) – Brussels, Belgium, http://www.ccme.be/
Fundatia Floarea Ialomiteana – Ialomita, Romania
Associazione On the Road onlus (OtR) – Martinsicuro (TE), Italy, www.ontheroadonlus.it

Duration: 24 months

Starting date: 2nd of February 2010

Countries in which the project will be developed: Spain, Italy, Romania

Aim of the project:

Creation of an agreed methodology for identification and referral of victims of trafficking with the purpose of labour exploitation, as the unique manner to guarantee their effective protection. The first essential step to realize this purpose is **to map the situation of trafficking for labour exploitation** in the targeted countries (Italy, Romania and Spain), with the intention to detect the main sectors and circumstances where trafficking for labour exploitation is more likely to happen, the existing mechanisms of identification and referral of the victims, as well as the strengths and the weaknesses of each targeted system. In the same time, the project foresees the **involvement of the national agents of identification** by the focal points of each targeted country. In this manner, according to the compiled information and involvement of national authorities and agents of identification in the project, **training sessions will take place**. Subsequently, all the experiences of the actors involved, the conclusions and the information obtained during these previous stages will be collected in order **to elaborate a common and agreed methodology for identification and referral of victims of trafficking for labour exploitation**, to be implemented during a six month

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period by the national authorities and agents previously involved in the project. The implementation will be evaluated by the expert counselling of one of the partners, considering their long expertise on the issue, which will contribute to the high level of accountability of the project products. Finally, all the experiences and best practices acquired during the implementation of the project will be gathered for the elaboration of dissemination materials.

Beneficiaries/target groups of the project:

- Partners of MIRROR
- Victims of trafficking for labour exploitation
- National institutions of each country involved in the project: police, labour inspections, judges, asylum officers, trade unions and organizations working on behalf of victims of trafficking
- Other interested parties: EU institutions and national authorities involved in the issues
- Civil society

Activities of the project:

1. **Kick-Off Meeting:** to identify per country the main sectors in which the main sectors in which trafficking for labour exploitation is more likely, analyse the best practices on assistance and protection, analyse the legal approach to trafficking for labour exploitation, and degree of denounces by compiling data from national authorities.

2. **Mapping the situation of trafficking for labour exploitation in each targeted country**: to identify per country the main sectors in which trafficking for labour exploitation is more likely, analyse the best practices on assistance and protection, analyse the legal approach to trafficking for labour exploitation, and degree of denounces by compiling data from national authorities.

3. **Involving national agents of identification and referral of victims**: to involve national authorities and agents of identification, in the project, presenting to them the description of the main objectives of the project and providing them with a Memorandum of Intention to determine and limit their degree of participation.

4. **Definition of the contents to be developed in the training sessions during the country visits**: identify the topics and materials to be delivered during the training sessions, referring to EU policies and national situations, and define the profile of participants, to adapt each training session to the reality in the country and providing in all the courses a general background of EU policies.

5. **Country visits to targeted countries:**

   - To define the main objectives of the project and to present national agents that have signed the memorandum of intention and their degree of involvement in the project activities to all the partner organisations of the project.

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- To provide training to national authorities, NGO workers and other agents involved in the identification of victims about EU plans of action on this form of trafficking, international instruments in this issue and best practices on identification and referral of victims of this form of trafficking.

6. **Management Meeting for the elaboration of the agreed methodology**: to coordinate and establish a basis for the elaboration process of the agreed methodology.

7. **Compiling Information:**

   - To transpose all the information, conclusions, recommendations, available materials, and best practices referring to identification and referral of victims of trafficking for labour exploitation, obtained during the training session.
   - Creation of working materials guide: The aim is to have a file with guiding materials for the elaboration of the agreed methodology

8. **Elaboration of the agreed methodology for identification and referral of victims of labour trafficking**:

   - Elaboration of a common methodology of identification and referral of victims of trafficking for labour exploitation establishing common criteria and steps to take forward when facing a case or alleged case of this form of trafficking.
   - Coordination Meeting, in order to monitor the elaboration process of the agreed methodology and put together the difficulties faced at this stage of the process.
   - Translation of the agreed methodology, in order to extend to all the involved agents in the identification

9. **Policy Paper: preparatory work**: to define the state of art and main recommendations concerning the fight against trafficking for labour exploitation and the access of the victims to the protection regarding the EU policies on the issue and profiting of the experiences obtained during the project.

10. **Mid-term coordination meeting:**

    - Project management: to coordinate and monitor the project activities performed at that stage of the project implementation
    - Implementation of the methodology: to establish the common standards to be applied by national authorities and agents participating in the implementation of the agreed methodology

11. **First phase of the external evaluation:** to have an external monitoring and recommendations of the implementation process to be encountered by national authorities and identification agents.

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12. Implementation of the agreed methodology:

- Creation of an identification form and its translation, in order to monitor and evaluate the number of identified cases and different profiles and circumstances regarding the referral of victims to be fulfilled by the national authorities implementing the methodology with the support of leading organisation.
- Implementation of the agreed methodology, in order to evaluate through real cases the effectiveness of the methodology and the possibilities to further extend the mechanism to other EU members into the field.
- Evaluation meeting of the implementation of the agreed methodology

13. External evaluation

14. Policy Paper: the elaboration of the policy paper is addressed to contribute with general description and specific recommendations about this form of trafficking to the policies developed by European institutions working on the field

15. Dissemination material: elaboration of the manual, leaflets and the spot: to compile all the experiences and best practices acquired during the project implementation in awareness raising materials, adapting the language from a methodological perspective to awareness raising language.

16. Simultaneous dissemination event: Press Conference on Eu Anti-Trafficking day: to give visibility and disseminate the EU-AntiTrafficking day and to announce the final conference of the project where results and project products will be presented.

17. Final Consortium meeting: to compile the results of the project and exchange experiences and opportunities obtained during the project and possibly assess the continuity of the project

18. Final Conference: to present to the partners and agents involved in the project activities the conclusions and dissemination material.

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