TIME – Training Intercultural Mediators for a Multicultural Europe





ORGANIZATION*

EU Project:

- Olympic Training and Consulting Ltd (GR) (project coordinator)
- Hellenic Open University (GR)
- BGZ Berliner Gesellschaft für internationale Zusammenarbeit mbH (DE)
- BEST Institut f
 ür berufsbezogene Weiterbildung und Personaltraining GmbH (AT)
- Lisbon Municipal Police (PT)
- Programma integra società cooperativa sociale (IT)
- Uniwersytet Papieski Jana Pawla II w Krakowie (PL)
- Intercultural Mediation Unit of Federal

COUNTRY AND CITY/IES

Greece/Italy/Austria/Belgium/Germany /Poland/Portugal

FIELD OF WORK

Social inclusion of migrants, education, training

THE ACTION IS ADDRESSED TO (BENEFICIARIES)

- Integration policy makers, immigration and asylum services as well as authorities at national, regional and local levels
- NGOs, other Organisations involved in integration issues, social scientists and social service providers
- Faculties of Social Sciences of HEIs
- Migrant communities
- Health care providers
- Schools of Public Health
- VET providers and other entities involved in training or employing IMfI
- Intercultural mediators
- Accreditation and certification bodies

IMPACTS OF THE ACTIVITY

- Creating interest among the academic world, NGOs and migration bodies, and governments of partners countries.
- Ongoing accreditation process for the intercultural mediator occupational profile and training

DESCRIPTION OF THE ACTIVITY

The TIME project was developed to explore practices of training and employing intercultural mediators to promote migrant integration throughout the EU. The project encouraged the exchange of good practices in the field of intercultural mediation by proposing model training programmes for both intercultural mediators and their trainers. TIME also analysed existing structures in the partner countries and proposed recommendations for the validation of training for intercultural mediators.

MAIN GOALS

- Develop a model training programme for intercultural mediators and their trainers (to be officially accredited in partner countries)
- Promote migrants' integration in the EU
- Encourage exchange of good practices

COOPERATION WITH STAKEHOLDERS

EU project = cooperation between different types of stakeholders from different countries. Cooperation with NGOs, national migration bodies, academics, and state bodies.

SUSTAINABILITY (ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND INSTITUTIONAL SUSTAINABILITY)

Limited as it is an EU project, however, the training programmes developed are in the process of being accredited in Greece, and they have been used and adapted for further use by NGOs as well as public institutions and universities.

TRANSFERABILITY

Recommendations have been made for the transfer of good practices according to the country-specific contexts, and standards for a qualitative, professional training have been laid out.