#### **ORGANIZATION\***

European Union Project and the Republic of Turkey within the framework of The Civil Society Dialogue programme. Coordinator: Women and Democracy Association (KADEM)

## **COUNTRY AND CITY / IES**

Turkey, Italy, United Kingdom

#### **FIELD OF WORK**

Intercultural mediation, social cohesion, training of public servants, human rights of women

#### THE ACTION IS ADDRESSED TO (BENEFICIARIES)

Civil society, refugee women and local women

## **DESCRIPTION OF THE ACTIVITY**

The activity contemplates the elaboration of a country report, the development of a Social Mediation Model for cohabitation for refugees and locals holding 3 cross-cultural interaction events, the design of a VAW (Violence Against Women) training template delivered to 1000 refugee women and the organisation of VAW information seminars. The project has developed training sessions that were provided to civil servants that closely work with refugees and 74 women refugees. There was giving training to public servants as mediators . This training was focused on human rights, migration legislation, international practices. On the other hand, refugee women and Syrian women refugees were informed about their rights. Lastly, an evaluation workshop was held in Istanbul to evaluate the results of the research report and the field study.

#### **MAIN GOALS**

The objective of the project is to develop a sustainable civil society dialogue between Turkey and EU Member states in the area of refugee women. The project specifically aims to increase the knowledge of refugee women about their legal rights, to develop an awareness among them on what is violence against women (VAW) and what are the legal mechanism available in case they are victim

of such violence, and to increase their access to legal services.

# **IMPACTS OF THE ACTIVITY**

- Improving the knowledge of refugee women about their legal rights.
- Minding the gap between the lack of knowledge about what is violence against women (VAW), what are their rights and where they can apply when they face such violence.

#### **COOPERATION WITH STAKEHOLDERS**

International Refugee Rights Association – Turkey and Eurocultura – Italy. The Civil Society Dialogue programme is co-funded by the European Union and the Republic of Turkey.

# SUSTAINABILITY (ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND INSTITUTIONAL SUSTAINABILITY)

KADEM continuously supports the refugee women within the project aims all around in Turkey for the target groups.

# **TRANSFERABILITY**

The initiative is potentially replicable in other cities and abroad. The cultural differences, women rights and legislations of the countries should be taken into the account KADEM continuously supports the refugee women within the project aims all around Turkey for the target groups.