



RRROMA CENTRE ***“AMARE RROMENTZA”***

*Special Day on Roma and Sinti Issue, early
education on Roma and Sinti children*

Warsaw, 7 October 2009



RROMA CENTRE
“AMARE RROMENTZA”

WHO ARE WE?

WE ARE AN NGO ESTABLISHED IN 2000

**OUR NAME IS RROMA CENTRE “AMARE
RROMENTZA”**

**“AMARE RROMENTZA” IN RROMANI
LANGUAGE MEANS “WITH OUR RROMA”**



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WHAT WE PROMOTE:

- WE PROMOTE THE CULTURE IN THE EXTENSE SENS OF THE WORD WITH ALL ITS COMPONENTS
- WE PROMOTE THE RROMAI IDENTITY
- WE PROMOTE THE INTERCULTURAL DIALOGUE IN PUBLIC SPACES (SCHOOL, GUVERNAMENTALE INSTITUTION)
- INCREASING THE SELF ESTEEM OF RROMA



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HOW WE PROMOTE:

**WE DEVELOP EDUCATIONAL
PROJECTS WHICH INCLUDES ONE OR
MORE OBJECTIVES PROPOSED, BUT
EVERY TIME KEEPING IN MIND THE
RROMANI IDENTITY**



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According to the Roma Inclusion Barometre
(Open Society Foundation, Bucharest, 2007), **from the**
number of Rroma families interviewed 80%
of Rroma children with age between 0-6 year
were not attending pre school education, as
in the non Rroma families interviewed the
percentage was of 48%.



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SPECIFFICAL APPROCH ON PRE SCHOOL EDUCATION

- **BILINGUAL EDUCATION IN RROMA TRADITIONAL COMMUNITIES (RROMANI SPEAKING COMMUNITIES)**
- **EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANT (IN KINDERGATENS ATTENDED BY RROMA CHILDREN TO)**
- **INTERCULTURAL PRE SCHOOL CURRICULUM (IN KINDERGATENS ATTENDED BY RROMA CHILDREN TO)**



BILINGUAL KINDERGARTENS FOR RRROMA COMUNITIES

RESULTS:

- *A bilingual pre school curriculum: Rromani and Romanian languages*
- *Bilingual kindergarten in Sărulești, Călărași County, since 2004;*
- *Bilingual kindergarten Ciurea, Iași County, since 2007;*
- *8 bilingual kindergartens in Bacau, Buzau and Calarasi County, since 2009.*



BILINGUAL KINDERGARTENS FOR RROMA COMMUNITIES

- From 2004 since 2009 almost 150 Rroma children have participate to bilingual education;
- Starting with the school year 2009-2010 the number of Rroma children who will benefit of bilingual education have increase with 180.



EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANT ON PRE SCGOOL LEVEL

- We trained the first 62 educational assistant for pre school level selecting school mediators and giving them another ability;
- We sustained the activity of educational assistant in kindergartens attended by Rroma children to;
- We lobby for educational assistant to become a part of the educational system. In this moment it is included in the project of National Law of Education that is at Deputy Chamber of Romanian Parliament



INTERCULTURAL PRE SCHOOL CURRICULUM

- We create, together with educational specialists, the first intercultural pre school curriculum, in 2007;
- Applying this curriculum in multiethnic communities from Calarasi, Bacau, Buzau and Iasi Counties;
- Training 50 pre school teacher and educational assistant to apply intercultural pre school curriculum in kindergartens from multiethnic communities.



EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANT AND INETRCULTURAL PRE SCHOOL CURRICULUM

RESULTS:

- In the first year, 2006-2007, a number of 517 Rroma children and 369 non-Rroma children benefit of the educational assistant activity ;
- - In the second year 2007-2008 a number of 327 Rroma children and 145 non-Rroma children benefit of the educational assistant activity and intercultural curriculum;
- - In the school year 2009-2010, a number of 900 Rroma and non-Rroma children will benefit of the intercultural curriculum and educational assistant activity.



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THANK YOU FOR THE
ATTENTION!