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TOGETHER AGAINST VIOLENCE

The project focuses on the prevention of cases of repeat violence by children and youth aged 14-18 in Bulgaria, Spain and Austria. The specific goals of the project are directed towards the research and assessment of the factors resulting in acts of violence; description of the current system of services and its effectiveness; improvement of the effectiveness through provision of recommendations and information to the professional community.

The main partner activities planned to achieve the project goals are as follows: analysis of the prerequisites and the factors leading to children resorting to violence, based on the development and implementation of a specific set of instruments; pooling and analyzing information on the system currently in operation - regulations and practice; preparation of specific proposals related to raising the effectiveness of current practices, organizing and running a series of events, publication of materials, lobbying and advocacy. The project targets the already identified needs of children who have been involved in acts of violence from Spain, Bulgaria, and Austria aged 14-18 (150 children); and the needs of professionals involved in the services for these children (500 professionals).

Expected results are as follows:

1. Analysis and research of the factors leading to children resorting to violence in Spain, Austria, and Bulgaria
2. Description of the systems of services available to the children involved in acts of violence in Spain, Austria, and Bulgaria; evaluation of the effectiveness of the systems.
3. Preparation of recommendations for raising the effectiveness of the work towards prevention of repeat violence.
4. Reaching and informing the wider professional community in Europe about the analyses, research, and recommendations; working towards change of the current situation.

Outputs:

- 5 reports containing instruments and information, including analysis of the factors leading to acts of violence;
- 4 working meetings of the project teams;
- 12 meetings with state representatives, NGOs, and European youth networks;
- 6 reviews of regulatory documentation; practices for working with children perpetrators of violent acts, and 1 analysis of the practices in the three project countries;
- 1 concept for the content and structure of a report with recommendation towards raising the effectiveness of prevention of repeat acts of violence;
- Information on the studies and analyses of factors, services, and recommendations;
- 3 2-day national conferences with 50 participants each;
- 1 2-day international conference with 100 participants;
- 3 project presentations and 2 workshops at the federal councils of FICE International;
- Publication of information on the project on the internet;
- Articles with reports in the FICE-Bulgaria bulletin.

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