



Fighting discrimination and anti-Gypsyism

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ROMDIEM International Symposium

On 27 January 2026, the ROMDIEM International Symposium took place at Thessaloniki, Greece, bringing together more than 100 participants from across Europe.

With participants from Greece, Bulgaria, Belgium, Slovakia, Serbia, Italy, and over 10 European countries, the symposium became a truly European space for exchange, remembrance, and dialogue.

💡 A key message echoed throughout the day:

Remembering the Roma Holocaust is a moral and democratic responsibility. Preserving this history is essential to combating racism, antigypsyism, and discrimination today.

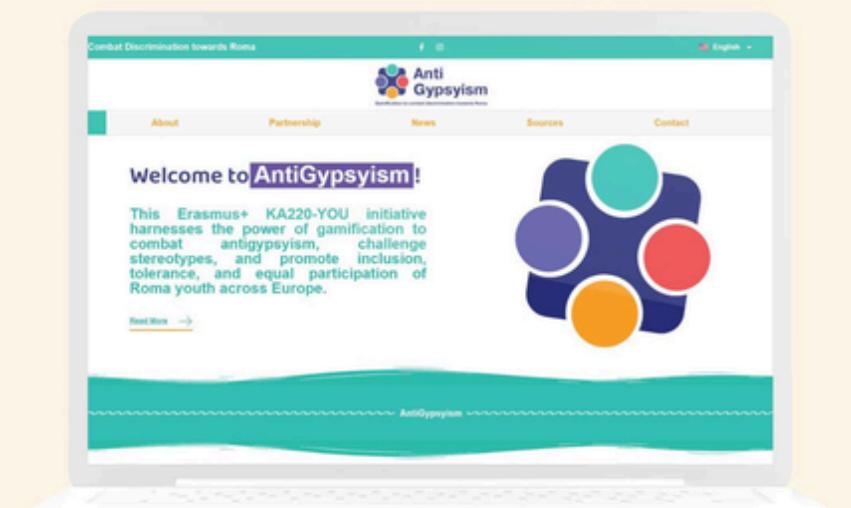
Discover the new website of the AntiGypsyism project!

We are pleased to share that the new website of the European AntiGypsyism project is now online: <https://antigyp.eu/>

The AntiGypsyism project is a European Erasmus+ initiative that uses gamification and non-formal education to address antigypsyism, discrimination, and stereotypes affecting Roma youth across Europe. The project promotes inclusion, participation, and equal rights by empowering young people and youth workers with innovative educational tools.



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OPEN CALL | Proud Ambassadors Webinars

PAL Network is happy to share an open call within the Erasmus+ project "Support of the Inclusion and Reporting of LGBTQIA+ Youth and their Mental Well-being in Europe – Proud Ambassadors".

Dates: 14 April – 7 May 2026 (every Tuesday & Thursday)

Time: 17:00–20:00 CET

Location: Online (Microsoft Teams)

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17 JUL Dates: Mid-April – end of April 2025 (exact dates will be announced in the Open Call)

⌚ Time: 17:00–20:00 CET

📍 Location: Online (Microsoft Teams)

📌 Organisers: Sensus (Sweden), CUBE NGO (Greece), Municipality of Reggio Emilia (Italy), PAL Network (Belgium), LEGEBITRA (Slovenia)

ℹ️ Participation requirements:

- Participants must be aged 18–30, in line with Erasmus+ programme rules
- Attendance at all 8 webinars is required to be considered a valid participant and to receive certification as a trained Proud Ambassador

📢 The Open Call will be published in early February 2025.

📅 Registration deadline:

Project Ref. No: 2024-1-SE02-KA220-YOU-000250648

UPCOMING WEBINARS & OPEN CALL | PROUD AMBASSADORS

The Erasmus+ project “Proud Ambassadors – Support of the Inclusion and Reporting of LGBTQIA+ Youth and their Mental Well-being in Europe” is launching 8 online training webinars designed to empower young professionals and activists working to support LGBTQIA+ youth mental well-being across Europe.



The webinars are open to youth workers, psychologists, LGBTQIA+ activists, supporters of disadvantaged young people, mental health professionals working with youth, as well as representatives and staff of public or private organisations promoting LGBTQIA+ rights and inclusion.

Through interactive live webinars combined with complementary asynchronous learning via the MOOC platform, participants will be trained on the Proud Ambassadors Training Curriculum, gaining practical tools, applied knowledge, and increased confidence to address sensitive mental health issues in real-life contexts. The training also aims to foster a transnational community of trained youth workers and future Proud Ambassadors, connected through peer exchange and the Proud Ambassadors Support Forum.

Şefkat-DER Association



Şefkat-DER (Şefkatli Eller Fizik Tedavi ve Rehabilitasyon Derneği) is a non-profit civil society organisation in Türkiye dedicated to restoring hope, dignity, and quality of life for individuals facing health-related and socio-economic vulnerabilities. Grounded in a strong ethos of compassion, solidarity, and ethical healthcare delivery, the association connects philanthropists, healthcare professionals, and communities to ensure equitable access to physical therapy, rehabilitation, elderly care, and palliative care services for those who cannot otherwise afford them. Supported by a robust volunteer base of multidisciplinary experts and an extensive professional healthcare network, Şefkat-DER adopts a holistic, people-centred approach that integrates medical care with emotional, social, and digital empowerment.

Alongside its healthcare mission, the organisation has developed growing expertise in adult education, digital skills training for seniors, and community-based initiatives that promote social inclusion, lifelong learning, and cultural heritage preservation, positioning Şefkat-DER as a trusted and values-driven partner for inclusive social innovation and Erasmus+ cooperation

The e-Life Project (Once upon a life: Memories of hope so that the seniors and the depopulation can face the social challenges of the 21st century through training in digital skills) officially continues its international cooperation activities with the first Transnational Project Meeting (TPM), hosted in Proszowice, Poland, on 27 January 2026. The meeting brings together partners from Poland, Spain, Greece, Cyprus, and Türkiye to align implementation strategies and advance the project's first work package. The TPM will take place at the District and Municipal Public Library in Proszowice, the project coordinator institution, and will focus on strengthening collaboration, clarifying partner responsibilities, and ensuring a shared understanding of the project's objectives and methodology.



CODECA



In the last days, as part of the development of the peer mentoring program under the AMIR project, we continue training our mentors to better prepare them to support mentees.

After the first training sessions focused on the role of mentors, building trust, and empowerment, the latest session shifted toward understanding local Cypriot services. Housing, employment, healthcare, education, and financial literacy are key areas that help mentors guide newcomers through the challenges of navigating the local system.

The next step will be pairing mentors with mentees and starting the activities, where mentors will support their mentees throughout their integration journey, helping them develop useful skills to become active members of Cypriot society.

Learn more about the AMIR Project: <https://shorturl.at/1XE1m>



Promoting the Labour Market Integration of People with Migrant Background:
CODECA's latest results within the AMIL project

What can be done to promote labour market **#integration** of people with **#migrant** background?

Read the latest **#AMIL** news to discover the high-impact initiatives - and results - implemented by CODECA team!

The main highlights:

The completion of the Greek Language Programme - **#language** is a key to employment;

The organisation of a series of workshops on soft skills for real employability.

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