

ABOUT THE PROJECT

The **AntiGypsyism - Gamification to Combat Discrimination Towards Roma** project is a 24-month Erasmus+ cooperation partnership in the youth sector, running from **October 2025 to September 2027**.

The project aims to combat **antigypsyism**, a persistent form of discrimination affecting Roma communities across Europe. Through innovative educational approaches and the use of **gamification methods**, the project develops practical tools that support youth workers, young people, and professionals working with Roma communities.

By strengthening knowledge, skills, and cooperation among youth workers, Roma mediators, and young people, the project seeks to promote **inclusion, equality and active participation**.

PROJECT PROGRESS

RESEARCH AT A GLANCE

6
COUNTRIES
96
QUESTIONNAIRE RESPONDENTS
60
FOCUS GROUP & INTERVIEW PARTICIPANTS
12
GOOD PRACTICES

The research combined desk research, online questionnaires, focus groups/interviews and the identification of good practices in all six participating countries.

Transnational Research on Antigypsyism Completed

Partners **have completed the Transnational Report on knowledge and skills gaps** related to antigypsyism, developed under WP2.

The report brings together findings from research conducted across the six partner countries: Belgium, Cyprus, Germany, Greece, North Macedonia and Spain.

It examines the knowledge and skills gaps of young people and youth professionals, as well as the structural challenges affecting Roma youth, and identifies priorities for the next stages of the AntiGyp project.

WHAT DID THE RESEARCH SHOW?

The findings confirm that **antigypsyism remains a structural and multidimensional form of racism** across the participating countries, affecting Roma youth in education, employment, public services and digital environments.

While awareness of discrimination exists, the research identified common gaps among young people and youth professionals, including:

- limited understanding of **antigypsyism as a specific and structural form of racism**
- limited knowledge of **rights and reporting mechanisms**
- gaps in practical skills and confidence to **respond to discrimination online and offline**
- a need for stronger **communication and conflict-resolution skills**
- a need for improved **digital and media literacy** to address online hate speech.

The research also highlights structural barriers such as **low trust in institutions, fear of stigmatisation, limited safe spaces and socio-economic challenges**, which can restrict participation and effective responses to discrimination.

FROM RESEARCH TO ACTION

The findings provide a clear evidence base for the next stages of AntiGyp.

The project will focus on strengthening the capacity of **Roma and non-Roma young people and youth professionals** to:

- recognise and critically understand antigypsyism
- understand their **rights and available reporting procedures**
- respond more effectively to discriminatory incidents
- strengthen communication and conflict-resolution skills
- recognise and counter **online hate speech and stereotypes**
- create safer and more inclusive spaces for participation.

For youth professionals, the research particularly highlights the importance of **specialised training on antigypsyism, trauma-sensitive facilitation, practical response protocols and inclusive gamification design**.

WHAT COMES NEXT?

The Transnational Report does not mark the end of the research process-it provides the **evidence base for the project's next activities**.

Its findings will directly inform:

- the **Guidelines to combat online and offline antigypsyism**
- national workshops to **test the Guidelines with youth workers and young people**
- the **Gamification-based Training Manual**
- the **AntiGyp educational Board Game**
- further project activities aimed at turning research findings into practical and engaging learning experiences.

Through these next steps, AntiGyp will translate the identified needs into **practical educational tools that help young people and youth professionals recognise, respond to and challenge antigypsyism**.



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