



**Unidad de Educación Escolar y de Personas Adultas**

TRANSNATIONAL COOPERATION ACTIVITY

**STUDY VISIT: “Educational approaches in the field of special education and social inclusion for children and youngsters with disabilities”**

26<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2016 – Deva, Romania

**Working language:**

English

**Number of Spanish participants:**

Up to 2 from School Education

**Organiser(s)**

County School Inspectorate Hunedoara

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**Thematic Category:**

Equal opportunities for disadvantage groups, social inclusion and special needs.

**Why?**

The Romanian National Agency would like:

- To emphasize the local experience of the educational services for pupils with disabilities
- To share our experiences, practices and educational policies with other European specialists in the field of educational services for pupils with disabilities
- To emphasize the networking in the framework of Erasmus+ Strategic Partnerships focused on pupils with SEN.

**What?**

The participants will learn about:

- The educational policies aimed at educational and vocational guidance and training for the pupils with special educational needs at the national level and local initiatives;
- The impact of local / county educational projects with European funding performed in the Hunedoara County, focused on pupils with SEN;
- The personal professional path for students with special educational needs at job qualification level ;
- The importance given to the early intervention for children with disabilities to school and social integration
- The covered support for families of children with special educational needs;
- The programmes/ initiatives to support access to the labour market for students with special needs;
- New educational approaches for best performing of the pupils with SEN reflected by in service training programmes for teachers.



## How?

The participants will:

- attend debates, open discussions and assist to work-shops/teaching activities focusing the topic of the visit;
- have the opportunity to connect with the local/regional institution in order to develop further cooperation activities within the framework of Erasmus + Programme.meet with officials from education, teachers, students, local and county representatives of relevant NGOs in addressing services for children with special educational needs.
- meet decision makers at local and regional level, school head teachers & teachers working with children with special needs;
- participate in conferences and debates on topics related to special education;
- participate in the dissemination activities of European educational projects undertaken;
- visit schools and other institutions which provide specialized education for the children / individuals with special needs, which have developed educational projects financed by Lifelong Learning Programme, Youth in Action, Erasmus + ;
- visit day centres for children with disabilities, schools and other institutions which provide specialized education for the children;

## Whom?

- Directors of education and vocational training institutions, centres or providers,
- Directors of guidance centres,
- Educational and vocational training inspectors,
- Head teachers, teacher trainers,
- Heads of departments,
- Pedagogical or guidance advisers,
- Representatives of educational services, labour offices or guidance centres,
- Representatives of local, regional and national authorities.

## Short description of the study visit

Educational services provided to children with special needs, ensuring the prerequisites for a specific integration of SEN students constitutes a very important component of the current system of education in Romania, strongly represented by local initiatives. In Hunedoara county, South-West of Romania, there is a highly developed network of educational institutions addressed to the children with different types of disabilities, a network of specialists in special education in providing in-service training programs for staff involved in these types of services. The projects / programs implemented by the institutions to be visited, are problem-oriented quality assurance educational services for children with special educational needs, ensuring equal opportunities, provides a particularly relevant context for hosting the study visit to highlight good local practices and challenges in providing these services, regardless of the role of stakeholders in this common endeavour: the network of higher education, secondary education network, NGOs, local community.

## Cost

This activity is financed by the Erasmus+ Programme. Being selected for this activity, all costs (event fee, accommodation, travel, visa, etc.) relevant to participation in the seminar will be covered by the National Agencies involved in this project.

You may be asked to cover travel costs in advance and they will be reimbursed after your return, once you have provided Spanish NA with the documentation and a final report. Please contact us at [tca.escolaradultos@sepie.es](mailto:tca.escolaradultos@sepie.es) to learn more about the financial details, and how to arrange the booking of your travel tickets and the reimbursement of your travel expenses.