An innovative partnership approach to prevent and address sexual violence

What challenge or problem are you addressing? What is the need for the project?

Sexual violence is *'any behaviour perceived to be of a sexual nature, which is unwanted or takes place without consent or understanding'*. The consequences have far-reaching effects on young people, communities and support services. Research illustrates that those affected by SV often experience intense stigma and cannot access the skills or knowledge to navigate positive relationships and future pathways – they are vulnerable to social exclusion. The cost of a reactive, rather than pro-active approaches towards prevention is signifiant for wider society.

Objective of the project: What your project wants to achieve/change

To apply an innovative West-European partnership approach which incorporates SME and NGO's to work in partnership to support local communities to better prevent and support victims of sexual violence.

Why do you need transnational cooperation?

-To build the West-European evidence-base of the problem.

-To build capacity in specialist SME's, communities and NGO's to protect, meet victims' needs through holisitic, participatory rights-based approaches.

-To develop localised interventions for communities in addressing social exclusion through partnership, research and evaluation with private, voluntary and statutory sector.

-To create transnational communities of practice who will facilitate European knowledge and skills exchange through the dissemination of freely accessible tools and resources and reduce sexual violence in the longer term.

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What kind or partners are you looking for?

Fast-food, security, transport, housing/ hotel industry, retail and amusement sector, religious and community support groups, counselors, psychologists/ mental health, alternative health, therapists, financial management, specialist social care, employment advisors, education and training providersIT / Marketing / Media – to develop awareness campaigns and training

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