Project EUNAD: European Network for Psychosocial Crisis Management Assisting the Disabled in Case of Disaster

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I. Frame

- Acronym: EUNAD
- Grant Agreement No. ECHO/SUB/2012/640917
- Duration: 24 months; Starting date: 01/01/2013
- Funded by the European Commision, DG Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection.
- Fields: preparedness, civil protection, psychosocial support and crisis management in disasters, disabled target groups (visually and hearing impaired), uniformed services.

V. Backround

European Network for Psycho-Social Aftercare in Case of Disaster



- Target Group Intervention Program (TGIP)
- Cologne Risk Index-Disaster (context=major loss situations)



- The project aims at a standardization of psychosocial aftercare in case of disasters as well as at the development of a European network based on current findings in psychotraumatology.
- The project is built on a collaboration of associations of visually and hearing impaired people, first responders and experts from EU countries, and Israel.



II. Partners

Project partners:

- Germany, Center for Psychotraumatology, Alexianer, Krefeld (coordinator)
- Czech Republic, Charles University, Prague
- Denmark, University of Southern Denmark
- Germany, Federal Office of Civil Protection and Disaster Assistance, Bonn
- Norway, Norwegian Center of Violence and Traumatic Stress Studies, Oslo



• Trauma-based psychoeducation (for victims of disasters)

2) Project EUTOPA-IP (2009-2011):

- Implementation of EUTOPA (context=uniformed services)
- Guidelines psychosocial support for uniformed workers

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Supporting organisations:

- German Association for Rehabilitation
- Israel Trauma Coalition
- Ministry of the Interior of the Czech Republic
- Spanish Society of Psychotraumatology, Traumatic Stress and Dissociation
- University of Oslo Medical Faculty





III. General Objectives

Key question:

How to integrate psychosocial support

of the visually and hearing impaired people in disaster management?

- The EUNAD project aims toward the implementation and preparation of EU human rights related Assistance Programmes for disabled survivors of disasters on the basis of EUTOPA project products (Guidelines, Intervention Program, Pan-European network in psychosocial care etc.).
- It is a step forward in the implementation of the UN Convention on the Rights of **Persons with Disabilities.**

Modified by R. Williams R & V. Kemp after Layne CM et al. (2008)



VI. Specific Objectives

1) Evaluation: Networks of associations for the disabled; analysis of literature on

IV. Tasks

- Research (Two qualitative studies on the visually and hearing impaired, Analysis of literature, Analysis of relevant national and EU projects)
- Expert Input meeting (Israel 02/2013)
- Local networking associations of the visually and hearing impaired (2013)
- Local Workshops 2013 (D, CZ, DK, N)
- 2 European expert conferences (Prague 10/2013, Cologne 2014)
- EUNAD recommendations/ EUNAD taskforce
- Pilot training (D, CZ, DK, N)



Expert Input meeting in Israel , Feb. 2013

- research about the disabled in psychotraumatology; analysis of EU projects on disaster disability management.
- 2) Research: Qualitative studies on the visually and hearing impaired in general psychotraumatology.
- 3) Workshops: Extension of the European network for psychosocial crisis management via inclusion of associations for the disabled in local and international workshops.
- 4) EUNAD recommendations and Task Force: Recommendations on Psychosocial support of the visually and hearing impaired after disaster. Creation of a EUNAD taskforce.
- 5) Trainings: Training of different vocational groups in EUNAD recommendations (uniformed services - EMS, police, FRS, social workers and mental health professionals).

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The results will be published: www.eutopa-info.eu

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