



Romania

Country report for . Romania has a National Roma Integration Strategy

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General information

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Roma population (Council of Europe estimation): 1.850.000 (9,42% of 19.638.309)

Available options for data collection in Romania:

Data disaggregated by ethnicity are not collected, Other

Other options for collecting information disaggregated by ethnicity: No, the country does not collect statistical data disaggregated by ethnicity (go to thematic area 1)



Thematic Areas

Anti-discrimination

General Assessment

The most important success and the factors contributing to this achievement

"Projects focusing on Roma community:

- a) Roma Women Gala "Look at me the way I am" - the project promotes Roma women that have an important contribution inside Roma communities, but not known by the large public - 18 women awarded for their activity in areas like: education, health, labor, housing, culture a.s.o.
- b) "Workshop for education and diversity" - 22 pupils implicated belonging to the disadvantaged groups (most of them of Roma ethnicity) - 3,965 Euro
- c) "School for parents without discrimination" - 150 parents and 30 teachers involved - 305 Euro
- d) "Different education" - counseling teachers that were to guide pupils in their civic, cultural and professional life - 1.425 Euro
- e) "Young people debate" - national championship of debating regarding education issues at the county, regional and national level - 1,688 Euro"

The most important challenge and the factors contributing to it

CNCD is responsible for observing the ex-ante conditionalities regarding the non-discrimination, gender equality and the rights of people with disabilities and will sign partnerships, at the national, regional and local level with the authorities involved in managing the European funds.

The basis of assessment

National Council for Combating Discrimination (CNCD) - can give feedback with regards to the number of files (39 files) initiated by Romanian citizens of Roma ethnicity and no. of cases solved (20 - 5 of them being solved with discrimination resolution.)

Assessment of the situation in this thematic area

I do not know

Funding

Is funding envisaged?

No

Encoded measures

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Education

General Assessment

The most important success and the factors contributing to this achievement

Continuing the training of Roma school mediators by the Ministry of National Education. Since 2003 the Ministry of National Education, through PHARE funds prepared 417 Roma school mediators and with its partners in the educational profile, between December 2007 and November 2013 were trained other 572 Roma school mediators (in November 2013 were 989 who receive training. To those, another 50 new mediators trained by Romani Crisis and Ministry of National Education joined in December 2013, when they finished the trainings in terms of nondiscrimination/ nonsegregation of Roma children in the educational system. So, till the end of 2013 year, in Romania were trained 1039 school mediators. In September 2014, the Directorate of Minorities within the Ministry of National Education together with City Hall of Costinești and Save the Children Romania (who paid trainers) have prepared another 60 new mediators (who provided lodging and transportation). Most of the graduates of the course were already hired in educational system, while others were employed by the school in 2014 - 2015 year school (see Buzau County, etc.). With those 60 new ones, between 2003 - 2014 were trained so 1099. It is very important to say that, between 2003 - 2013, 259 school mediators, along with 78 managers from schools where they work and 32 inspectors for minority / Roma education, were selected to receive additional training from an European perspective, insured and funded by the Council of Europe, through the ROMED program (6 rounds of training 3 in 2012, two in 2013 and two in 2014). In June and August 2015, another 42 people have completed the school mediators training. The courses were organized in Costinești, by the Directorate of Minorities within the Ministry of National Education with the CCD Constanta and with the support of Save the Children and CoE - ROMED for the remuneration of trainers. Other 15 mediators were trained by CSI Brasov, together with local partners and team of trainers the Directorate of Minorities within the Ministry of National Education. The number of school mediators trained by the Ministry of National Education and his partners are 1156. From those, unfortunately in the educational system are working only 397-420.

The most important challenge and the factors contributing to it

Un-funding in fact to all the measures included in the Government Strategy for inclusion of Romanian citizens of Roma minority for the period 2015-2020, published in Decision No. 18 of 14 January 2014.

The basis of assessment

"Source of information: Ministry of Education

1. Provide by the Ministry of Education of places for Roma children in highschools in their admission to various specializations (were admitted annually between 2700-3200 Roma pupils in the first year on such places).
2. The provision by the Ministry of Education of Roma youth separate places from their admission, to all faculties of the state universities, for Roma students (in 2012-2013 academic year 564 places were provided for university year; in 2013-2014 were provided 594 seats; 602 for the academic year 2014-2015 and other 611 places for 2015-2016 university year;
3. Continued initial training in the intensive training summer language courses and methodology of teaching Roma teachers and potential teachers of Roma language and culture, educators and teachers who teach in the Roma language;
4. Continued initial training at the university level, for the future teachers of Roma language and specialists in linguistic Roma at the Faculty of Foreign Languages and Literatures from University of Bucharest;
5. Supporting further by the Ministry of Education, where requested of teaching in Roma language at preschool education, including through bilingual approach;
6. Supporting further by the Ministry of Education, where required, of teaching in Roma language at preparatory classes, at primary and secondary classes;
7. Providing jobs and finance by the Ministry of Education for teachers who teach Roma language, history and traditions of Roma, for teachers and educators who teach in Roma, Romanian or Hungarian language in classes or schools from locations with predominantly Roma childrens.
8. Maintaining and funding by the Ministry of Education of the inspector positions for Roma and non-Roma minorities, for educational problems of Roma in the County School Inspectorates (there are 42 inspectors, Roma and non-Roma, having generally between 1/2 job - one post at county level), and also three positions of Roma person who working at the Ministry of Education.
9. Continuing training by the Ministry of Education, in partnership with other institutions, of Roma school mediators;
10. Preparation, between 2011-2015 in the campaign "Let's go to school!" of more than 1,000 teachers (educators, teachers, professors, school counselors, psychologists, principals and inspectors), from schools faced with absenteeism and



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dropout phenomenon from significant roma population in terms of rromanipen school education, teaching methods, children's rights and parental education;

11. Continued funding by the Ministry of Education of some national school competitions in the roma language and history profile with the values of cultural diversity;

12. Continued annual funding and publishing of textbooks by the Ministry of Education, necessary for teaching, history and traditions of roma and auxiliary educational materials for roma language, intercultural education and diversity, together with partners;

13. The annual structuring of a database on school participation of roma childrens in education and also on the study of / in rromany language;

14. Keeping by the Ministry of Education at all 42 County School Inspectorates of the network of methodists, for language, history, traditions and education of roma (in each county at least one Methodist);

15. Effective monitoring by the Ministry of Education, according with Order no. 3774/22.04.2008 for approving the curricula of the optional course ""Intercultural Education"" (school curriculum for secondary education) and revised school optional course ""Human Rights"" (school curriculum for high schools) and Order no. 1529/ 18.07.2007 on the development of diversity in the national curriculum;

16. Effective monitoring by the Ministry of Education of the Order no. 1540/ 19.07.2007, banning school segregation of roma children and approving the methodology for preventing and eliminating school segregation of roma children;

17. Organization and funding by the Ministry of Education for school remedial courses, like ""Second Chance"";

18. Continued organization - where appropriate - by the county school inspectorates, schools, municipalities, NGO's, of summer kindergartens that precede the first year class for roma pupils who haven't attended kindergarten;

19. Continue collaboration with non-governmental partners who applied for developing and implementing in to the education system of different programs addressed to roma, or for implementation of the Governmental Strategy for inclusion of Romanian citizens belonging to the roma minority for period 2014-2020;

20. Besides the Ministry of Education programs and approaches in the context of roma education are noted and general programs of the Ministry, which also include roma pupils, granting a range of facilities, for example:

- Horn and milk,
- School supplies,
- Money for Highschool,
- Euro 200."

Assessment of the situation in this thematic area

Remained the same

Funding

Is funding envisaged?

Yes

	Total funding ALLOCATED for the year of reporting	Total funding SPENT during the year PRECEDING the YEAR OF REPORTING
Total amount	EUR 31.498.159	EUR 0
National public funding	EUR 31.498.159	EUR 0
If other, enter the source	EUR	EUR



Employment

General Assessment

The most important success and the factors contributing to this achievement

The most important achievements for 2015 are: Stimulate workforce mobility by providing employment bonuses or installation, as appropriate; Training; Assessment and certification of skills acquired nonformal; Subsidies belonging to employers to hire disadvantaged or difficult access to the labor market; Providing custom accompaniment youth at risk of marginalization by concluding solidarity contracts and provision of specific services, including through subsidies to employers who hire people insertion in this category.

The most important challenge and the factors contributing to it

In 2015, the number of Roma people receive services of information, guidance and counseling was 18039 people.

The basis of assessment

"Fulfillment stage of the measures contained in the Action Plan, annex to Government no.18 / 2015 - Government Strategy on Roma Inclusion minority Romanian citizens 2015-2020 period, for 2015 are: Number of Romanian citizens of Roma minority who accessed active measures(39941); Number of Romanian citizens belonging to Roma informed and counseled(19479); Number of Romanian citizens of Roma minority mediated(29184); Number of people employed as a result of mediation(5074); Number of Romanian citizens of Roma minority which has been applied so far: boosting labor mobility by providing employment bonuses or installation, as appropriate(3); Number of Romanian citizens of Roma minority trained in trades / skills required in the labor market(1027); Number of persons belonging to the Roma minority assessed and certified skills acquired nonformal(7); Number of persons to whom to the measure: granting subsidies to employers to hire people belonging to disadvantaged or difficult access to the labor market(47); Number of persons to whom to the measure: providing custom accompaniment young people at risk of marginalization by concluding solidarity contracts and provision of specific services, including through subsidies to employers who hire people insertion in this category(23 persons to whom the measure was applied; 4 people falling through grants)"

Assessment of the situation in this thematic area

Improved

Funding

Is funding envisaged?

No

Empowerment

General Assessment

The most important success and the factors contributing to this achievement

"Project coordinated by DRI for Promoting interculturality in schools, focusing on Roma issues.

Location - Sinaia, Prahova county. The targeted group was formed by Roma people.

Allocated budget - approx. 4,000 Euro

Project coordinated by DRI - Intercultural school. Roma people included in the targeted group.

Location - Sighisoara, Mahmudia

Allocated budget - approx. 10,250 Euro"

The most important challenge and the factors contributing to it

n/a

The basis of assessment



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acc. to The Department fo Interethnical Relations (DRI) - there was financiar support for several projects dedicated to the Romanian citizens belonging to the Roma minority, as well as partnerships where Roma participants were involved.

Assessment of the situation in this thematic area

Improved

Funding

Is funding envisaged?

Yes

	Total funding ALLOCATED for the year of reporting	Total funding SPENT during the year PRECEDING the YEAR OF REPORTING
Total amount	EUR 0	EUR 72.165
National public funding	EUR 0	EUR 14.190
Other (international or private)	EUR 0	EUR 57.975
If other, enter the source	EUR 0	EUR

Healthcare

General Assessment

The most important success and the factors contributing to this achievement

The most important success was the approval of governmental strategy on health and the implementation of Project RO 19 03. During november 2014 began the approval of protocols and the training and hiring with high priority Roma rural community nurse and health mediators personal in Roma communities thus increasing the number of community nurses, health mediators, social workers in Roma minorities.

The most important challenge and the factors contributing to it

One major difficulty in this area is that the discrepancy between the health status of Roma minority citizens and health status of the general population is due to an interaction of multiple factors including poverty, lower levels of employment and education, poor living conditions, cultural factors and social exclusion. During the implementation process of National Health strategy, the most important challenge encountered until now was due to inefficient communication with Regional and local public authorities, incoherent law framework and lack of human resources in the community for jobs offered.

The basis of assessment

"The measures proposed for improving the health status of the Roma minority are part of the National Health Strategy of 2014-2020. In order to achieve this, The Ministry of Health promotes an innovative intervention by the integration of healthcare and social services at community level. Moreover, Project RO 19.03 "Strengthening the National Network of Roma mediators to improve the health status of the Roma population" under the EN 19 "Public Health Initiatives" financed by the Norwegian Financial Mechanism 2009-2014 is an important achievement and runs in 45 communities of Roma population who have no access to basic health services. Each of these communities is supported by a team made up of a health mediator and a community nurse, who will be employed by the local authority and provide services identified after analyzing the basic health needs of the community. In addition to project RO 19.03, another regional pilot project named "First Priority: No child invisible" – was implemented by UNICEF and CPSS in 8 counties: Botosani, Neamt, Suceava, Iasi, Vaslui, Bacau, Vrancea, Buzau. It addresses medical and social problems through the implementation of a new structure in the community- a multidisciplinary team (community nurse, health mediator, social worker) that deals with medical issues of children in Roma minorities."

Assessment of the situation in this thematic area

Improved



Funding

Is funding envisaged?

Yes

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If other, enter the source	EUR	EUR

Housing

General Assessment

The most important success and the factors contributing to this achievement

"Acc to MDRAP - The pilot programme ""Social housing for Roma communities"" – building 280 social housing for Roma people "

The most important challenge and the factors contributing to it

"Acc to MDRAP - The allocation of investment funding / budget allocations "

The basis of assessment

"Acc. to Minister of Regional Development and Public Administration (MDRAP) - The pilot programme ""Social housing for Roma communities"" – building 280 social housing for Roma people, Measures dedicated to social inclusion and poverty reduction for the disadvantaged population, National programme for cadastre and land book, Urban revitalization project and the eradication of unhealthy habitat for disadvantaged groups in Ferentari neighborhood"

Assessment of the situation in this thematic area

Improved

Funding

Is funding envisaged?

Yes

	Total funding ALLOCATED for the year of reporting	Total funding SPENT during the year PRECEDING the YEAR OF REPORTING
Total amount	EUR 40.551.555	EUR 1.444.444
National public funding	EUR 40.551.555	EUR 1.444.444
If other, enter the source	EUR	EUR

Local action

General Assessment

The most important success and the factors contributing to this achievement

The finalization and the approval of the NRDP 2014-2020 (with the active involvement of the major stakeholders among which institutions which promote the interests of the roma minority).



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In order to encourage the involvement of the Roma NGOs within the future LAGs in the stage of animation and elaboration of LDS as well as to encourage the submission of projects which tackle the subject of national minorities, within the NRDP 2014-2020 priority will be given to:

- partnerships which include at least one organization which represents the interests of a local minority (roma including)
- LDS which foresee at least one measure for investments in social infrastructure targeted towards the vulnerable population (roma including)
- LDS which foresee at least one measure for the support of the local minorities (roma including).

The most important challenge and the factors contributing to it

Although during the programming period 2007-2013, 104 LAGs which had among its members organizations belonging to the roma minority had been selected, the number of projects which had as beneficiaries romanian citizens of roma ethnicity or are targeted towards the roma community was very diminished. That is why, in the new programming period 2014-2020 in order to ensure the active participation of NGOs which represent the interests of a local minority present in the territory covered by the partnership, it was decided to give priority in the selection process to:

- partnerships which include at least one organization which represents the interests of a local minority, with its headquarter/secondary headquarter/branch within the territory covered by the partnership and which has been legally constituted before launching the selection call of the LDS. The population whose interests are represented by that respective organization is being present in at least one TAU (territorial administrative unit) from the territory covered by the partnership. The presence of local minorities is documented based on data from the NSI (National Statistic Institute) and is being presented in the diagnostics analysis.

The basis of assessment

"The National Rural Development Programme (NRDP) 2014-2020 has been approved by the European Commission in 2015. In March 2015 the measure 19.1 „ Preparatory support for the elaboration of local development strategies,, has been launched. Through this measure the EU finances animation activities as well as activities regarding the elaboration of local development strategies (LDS). In order to support local minorities and the vulnerable population from different rural communities (including the roma minority) in the LDS selection process is given priority to : partnerships which include at least one organization which represents the interests of a local minority (roma including), the LDS which foresee at least one measure for investments in social infrastructure targeted towards the vulnerable population (roma including) and to the LDS which foresee at least one measure for the support of the local minorities (roma including).

A series of meetings between representatives of: the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (MARD), of the Local Action Groups (LAG) selected during the NRDP 2007-2013 , of the potential local partnerships as well as representatives of associations which promote the roma minority (Agency „Impreuna,, Ergo Network) have been organized. Within these meetings have also been debated issues such as: ways of resolving specific local problems, social inclusion of vulnerable groups and avoiding marginalization and segregation."

Assessment of the situation in this thematic area

Remained the same

Funding

Is funding envisaged?

No

Transnational Cooperation

General Assessment

The most important success and the factors contributing to this achievement

Acc. to NRA - The inter-ministerial visit in Italy, following the setting up of the cooperation protocols, proposed a set of concrete activities, based on consultations with the beneficiaries: 1. identification of measures, priorities for the development of some inclusive programmes; 2. training for accountable local leaders; 3. setting up of a local action group between Roma leaders, representatives of the local public authorities and local NGOs; 4. Setting up a Plan for social inclusion of the Roma community living in both authorised and un-authorised camps; 5 planning of certain projects and writing proposals; 6. Setting up of a list with potential partners on various fields of interventions, based on the identified needs and problems; 7 coalition building and relations elaboration with potential donors.



The most important challenge and the factors contributing to it

Acc. to NRA - The most important challenge is to find local partners and the needed funding for the implementation of the measures of the collaboration protocols.

The basis of assessment

Acc. to National Roma Agency Report - Bilateral co-operation Romania - Italy: A memorandum of understanding was signed in 2015 between the Romanian Government - National Agency for the Roma, The Embassy of Romania to Republic of Italy, the General Consulate of Romania to Milan and the Municipal Hall of Milan, Assessorato per la Sicurezza e Coesione Sociale, Polizia Locale, Protezione Civile, Volontariato. The goal of this cooperation protocols for the benefit of the Roma minority in Italy is to propose the implementation of a pilot project aimed at strengthening the social inclusion process of the Romanian citizens belonging to the Roma minority, living in Roma authorised/tolerated camps in the city of Milan.

Assessment of the situation in this thematic area

Improved

Funding

Is funding envisaged?

Yes

	Total funding ALLOCATED for the year of reporting	Total funding SPENT during the year PRECEDING the YEAR OF REPORTING
If other, enter the source	EUR	EUR

Encoded measures

Measure: 1. Development of data collection and monitoring system concerning the inclusion of the preschool (3- 6 years) and school children (7- 16 years) within a form of education. The system shall be driven (until 2016) in minimum 300 schools where the share of Roma students is minimum 15 %.

Implemented by My organisation »

Organisation type National public authority

Is the measure part of the implementation plan of... NRIS or integrated sets of policy measures on Roma

Detailed description of the measure

This measure includes the following chapters:

- 1.1. Semi-annual collection and updating of (local, county, regional and central) data concerning the participation of Roma children to education at different levels.
- 1.2. Annual collection and updating of (local, county, regional and central) data concerning the level of education of Roma who are outside the educational system.

Is it a mainstream or Roma targeted measure?

Targeted

Please select up to 3 areas and sub-areas most related to this measure (in accordance with the 2013 Council Recommendation)

- Education c) reduce early school leaving



Is funding envisaged for the measure? o

What was the total funding ALLOCATED for the year of reporting?

National public funding: 59223636€ESIFs European Structural and Investment Funds (e.g. ESF, ERDF, EARDF): 0€

What was the total funding SPENT during the year PRECEDING the YEAR OF REPORTING?

National public funding: 0€ESIFs European Structural and Investment Funds (e.g. ESF, ERDF, EARDF): 0€Other (international or private): 0€If other, enter the source: n/a

Source of the estimate

Line Ministry's registers

Is it possible to estimate the number of Roma that would benefit from this measure?

Yes

Measure: 2. Extending, running, monitoring and promoting through the media the set of support programmes aiming at stimulating school attendance, reducing absenteeism/dropout/illiteracy, and obtaining school success in secondary and tertiary education.

Implemented by

My organisation »

Organisation type

National public authority

Is the measure part of the implementation plan of...

NRIS or integrated sets of policy measures on Roma

Detailed description of the measure

This measure includes the following chapters: 2.1. Extending, supplementing, adapting and revising the specific methodologies for the organisation of the support educational programmes promoted by the new Law on the national education, with the aim to include the maximum number of Romanian citizens belonging to the Roma minority in these programmes, as well as continuing the local social support programmes and the programmes under the responsibility of the MESR: 'A Second Chance' (ASC); 'Functional Literacy'; 'School After School' (SAS); money for high school; social scholarships; study scholarships; 'Support for computer purchase'; 'Crescent and milk'; transport expense reimbursement by the local authorities and others. Extending and supplementing the social support programmes shall consist in:

2.1.1. Launching a national programme through cooperation between the central and the local levels of the public administration with a view to granting free of charge transport to school for minimum 10 000 children from vulnerable categories (including Roma), in rural areas, who travel more than 5 km from home to school, in localities where the share of Roma students in the school is minimum 15 %.

2.1.2. Launching a national programme through cooperation between the central and the local levels of the public administration, with a view to providing support for 10 000 children from vulnerable categories (including Roma) and under risk of drop-out, with a view to improving the social and economic situation with regard to aspects that block educational inclusion (food, clothes, housing conditions, health status, etc.).

2.1.3. Extending the programme 'School After School' (SAS), by increasing the number of beneficiaries by minimum 10 000 Roma children from primary and secondary levels in schools where the share of Roma students is minimum 10 %,

2.1.4. Extending the programme 'A Second Chance' (ASC), by increasing the number of beneficiaries by minimum 5 000 Romanian citizens belonging to the Roma minority.

2.1.5. Launching a national support programme for 10 000 children from vulnerable categories (including Roma) under risk of drop-out, by providing support to their families in order to increase chances of employment (information, mediation, training), through cooperation between the central and the local levels of the public administration.



2.1.6. Launching a national support programme for Roma children having ante pre-school, pre-school, primary school and lower secondary school ages, who are outside the educational system, with a view to their enrolment in ante pre-school, pre-school/school units and to their access to education (identification, parental counselling, clothes, food, shortening the duration necessary to reach the closest kindergarten/school, etc.), through cooperation between the central and the local levels of the public administration. The contribution of school mediators (by identifying the Roma preschool/ school students who do not attend kindergarten, by facilitating the provision of parental counselling, clothes, food, free of charge transport, etc.) will be essential.

2.1.7. Launching a national programme for the restoration of schools where a share of minimum 15 % Roma students are learning, which have not been beneficiaries of other similar school restoration programmes, through cooperation between the central and the local levels of the public administration.

2.2. Promoting and running parental education programmes at local level, as well as activities/projects on schoolfamily, school-community cooperation: Mothers' School, Parents' School, etc.

2.3. Continuing the 'Summer Kindergarten' programme (in the version 'All To Kindergarten– Each one to its grade/All To Kindergarten – All to the preparatory grade/All to the first grade') and of other similar alternative Community initiatives in the areas where local educational establishments find at least 7-10 Roma children who did not attend preschool education.

2.4. Extending the network of kindergartens/classes with teaching in Romany as mother tongue, including through bilingual teaching approaches, in the beginning (Romany – Romanian; Romany – Hungarian, etc.), and of language, history, traditions and music classes in Romany, in the communities with at least 7-10 requests of this kind. Publishing the school books necessary for education in Romany for the subjects taught in this language.

2.5. Organising by MESR, together with local and county schools, of national and international school contests and olympiads, with a view to promoting the language, literature and literary creation, history and culture of Roma, the diversity, alterity, interculturality, non-discrimination and nonsegregation.

2.6. Particularizing the ASC programme for people needing to be alphabetized.

Is it a mainstream or Roma targeted measure?

Targeted

Please select up to 3 areas and sub-areas most related to this measure (in accordance with the 2013 Council Recommendation)

- Education d) increase the access to, and quality of, early childhood education and care

Is funding envisaged for the measure?

Yes

What was the total funding ALLOCATED for the year of reporting?

National public funding: 59223636€

What was the total funding SPENT during the year PRECEDING the YEAR OF REPORTING?

National public funding: 0€

Source of the estimate

Line Ministry's registers

Is it possible to estimate the number of Roma that would benefit from this measure?

No

Measure: 3. Harmonizing and supplementing the quality assurance system, with focus on the management of inclusive education (adapted to Roma specificity).

Implemented by My organisation »

Organisation type National public authority

Is the measure part of the implementation plan of...

NRIS or integrated sets of policy measures on Roma



Detailed description of the measure

This measure includes the following chapters: 3.1. Adapting and supplementing the set of RAQASE standards on quality in education with a significant number of Roma students. Revising the methodologies concerning the assessment criteria for teachers, headmasters and educational establishments, with a view to increasing the share of the inclusive education component and of the component referring to working with groups having a different cultural specificity, originating in disadvantaged environments, including Roma, implementing active participative methods.

3.2. Revising the school inspection methodology from the perspective of including the component of remedial education and real school progress, multi- and intercultural education, inclusive education, as well as monitoring the measures for promoting inclusive education through school inspection and through the commissions for quality assurance.

3.3. Analysing and updating the continuing education methodology, with a view to enhancing the inclusive education modules, focusing on knowledge of fundamental Roma values, of the set of Roma customs whose overlooking by the teaching staff might have a negative impact to the disadvantage of the Roma students. Involving the TSRCs in supporting non-discrimination, equal opportunities, multiculturalism, interculturalism and inclusive education, through the organisation of trainings in the area of educational romanipen (ensemble of customs and fundamental values of Roma), of diversity under all its forms, etc., at county, local, educational establishment containing Roma students (min. 15 %) levels, and with a view to using the set of measures on inclusive education, the attitudes and values of nondiscrimination, non-segregation, of alterity and interculturality.

3.4. Training resources people as MESR trainers on educational romanipen, for the needs of each CSI/ISMB/TSRC, with a view to ensuring the training modules on Roma specificity (history, customs, traditions, culture and Romany language).

3.5. Implementing Order No 1529 of the Minister of Education, Research and Youth of 18 July 2007 concerning the development of the problem of diversity in the national curriculum, by inserting concrete provisions in the new curricula intended to impose on authors and publishing houses the mandatory insertion of diversity elements (related to history, ethnicity, linguistics, culture, genre, physics, religion, etc.) in all school books, irrespective of subject matter or study level.

Is it a mainstream or Roma targeted measure?

Targeted

Please select up to 3 areas and sub-areas most related to this measure (in accordance with the 2013 Council Recommendation)

- Education d) increase the access to, and quality of, early childhood education and care

Is funding envisaged for the measure?

Yes

What was the total funding SPENT during the year PRECEDING the YEAR OF REPORTING?

National public funding: 133409€

Source of the estimate

Line Ministry's registers

Is it possible to estimate the number of Roma that would benefit from this measure?

Yes



Measure: 4. Continuing measures to prevent segregation of Roma children and students and to remove potential segregations occurred in the educational system.

Implemented by

My organisation »

Organisation type

National public authority

Is the measure part of the implementation plan of...

NRIS or integrated sets of policy measures on Roma

Detailed description of the measure

This measure includes the following chapters:
4.1. Revising by the MESR of Law No 1/2011 and of Order No 1540 of the Minister of Education, Research and Youth of 19 July 2007 concerning the interdiction of Roma children school segregation and approving the Methodology for preventing and eliminating Roma children school segregation, as well as other related documents, with a view to avoiding segregation cases and to including provisions intended to prevent, forbid, correct and remove such phenomena in the educational system. Amending Order No 1540 of 19 July 2007 by supplementing provisions concerning mandatory actions and measures in cases of ethnic segregation.

4.2. Drawing up county segregation prevention plans, monitoring the way of making up kindergarten groups and cycle starting grades (preparatory grade/first grade, fifth grade) by all the inspectors of each school inspectorate, when visiting the educational establishments, from February to September of each year. School inspectorates should analyse county and local plans on preventing segregations and, in exceptional, unwanted cases of segregation, specific desegregation plans shall be drawn up and implemented immediately. The permanent contribution of the school mediator is necessary in all these cases.

Is it a mainstream or Roma targeted measure?

Targeted

Please describe the results of this measure

This measure does not require supplementary allocations from Ministry of Education and the sources of financing are the ones from the Ministry of Education budget, local budget, ESF central / county level projects budgets or sponsorships.

Please select up to 3 areas and sub-areas most related to this measure (in accordance with the 2013 Council Recommendation)

- Education a) eliminate any school segregation

Is funding envisaged for the measure?

No

Is it possible to estimate the number of Roma that would benefit from this measure?

No



Measure: 5. Restructuring initial university training of teachers, taking into account the compliance with the principles of inclusive school, of knowledge and implementation of Roma history and culture elements acquired during their initial training under the teacher training module.

Implemented by

My organisation »

Organisation type

National public authority

Is the measure part of the implementation plan of...

NRIS or integrated sets of policy measures on Roma

Detailed description of the measure

1.3. Take effective measures to ensure equal treatment and full access for Roma boys and girls to quality and mainstream education and to ensure that all Roma pupils complete at least compulsory education

Is it a mainstream or Roma targeted measure?

Mainstream

If mainstream, does the measure have explicit safeguards?

No

Please select up to 3 areas and sub-areas most related to this measure (in accordance with the 2013 Council Recommendation)

- Education f) use inclusive and tailor-made teaching and learning methods

Is funding envisaged for the measure?

No

Is it possible to estimate the number of Roma that would benefit from this measure?

No

Measure: 6. Extending the promotion of cultivation of the Roma language, history and traditions in the secondary and the tertiary educational systems.

Implemented by

My organisation »

Organisation type

National public authority

Is the measure part of the implementation plan of...

NRIS or integrated sets of policy measures on Roma

Detailed description of the measure

This measure includes the following chapters:

6.1. Equipping the libraries in TSRCs and educational establishments (having minimum 15 % of Roma students) with materials in the field of Roma language, history and culture, including the organisation of virtual sections of libraries containing papers in pdf format.



6.2. Setting up one or several high schools with Romany as teaching language (grades 1 to 12), with parallel classes at grades 9 to 12 with bilingual teaching Romany-Romanian and with parallel classes for school mediators, music, theatre and dance, traditional trades adapted to the modern context.

6.3. Setting up of Romany language and culture departments/study lines at old, well-known universities.

Is it a mainstream or Roma targeted measure?

Targeted

Please select up to 3 areas and sub-areas most related to this measure (in accordance with the 2013 Council Recommendation)

- Education c) reduce early school leaving

Is funding envisaged for the measure?

No

Is it possible to estimate the number of Roma that would benefit from this measure?

No

Measure: 7. Continuing positive measures for training and employing Roma human resources in the educational system, who should have permanent, direct and effective access to and support for the Roma communities, who should be aware of the real needs and the real solutions.

Implemented by

My organisation »

Organisation type

Local public authority

Is the measure part of the implementation plan of...

NRIS or integrated sets of policy measures on Roma

Detailed description of the measure

This measure includes the following chapters:

7.1. Ensuring, at the level of each CSI, one full-time position of school inspector for Roma educational issues and teaching of or in Romany. Continuing the training of school inspectors on Roma educational issues, of method developers for Roma language, history and culture. Getting Roma and school mediators into schools.

7.2. Continuing the training of school mediators from MESR funds, regular training of school mediators through courses organised by the MESR together with other governmental, nongovernmental and intergovernmental institutions, using funds that have been jointly found and attracted.

7.3. Employment of school mediators in all 1 680 educational establishments where the number of Roma children and students is minimum 15 % (percentage to be re-validated by the educational establishments together with the Roma organisations, the Roma representatives, the local and county Roma bodies). School mediators shall be co-opted by educational establishments in all activities for continuous prevention of segregation. The 1 680 school mediators shall be employed according to Article 250 of Law No 1/2011 and of Order No 1539 of the Ministry of Education, Research and Youth of 19 July 2007.

7.4. Continuing initial/further training on Romany language intended to Roma or non-Roma, skilled or unskilled teachers, who will teach/are teaching Romany language or in Romany language at kindergartens and in schools.

7.5. Increasing the number of Roma youth accepted on special places for Roma candidates to admission to higher vocational education by 200 (by 2016, as compared to 2014). Supplementing the legislation on the access of Roma candidates to special places, with a view to allowing the candidates obtaining admission grades that are higher than the last admission average on normal places without tuition to have those places, leaving the special places to Roma candidates having obtained admission grades that are lower than the last admission average on normal places without tuition. Moreover, Roma candidates who have



taken no-tuition places after the admission tests should keep their no-tuition place until the end of the university studies – provided that he or she passes all annual exams.

Is it a mainstream or Roma targeted measure?

Targeted

Please select up to 3 areas and sub-areas most related to this measure (in accordance with the 2013 Council Recommendation)

- Education f) use inclusive and tailor-made teaching and learning methods

Is funding envisaged for the measure?

Yes

What was the total funding ALLOCATED for the year of reporting?

National public funding: 3398727€

What was the total funding SPENT during the year PRECEDING the YEAR OF REPORTING?

Other (international or private): 3500€ If other, enter the source: n/a

Source of the estimate

Line Ministry's registers

Is it possible to estimate the number of Roma that would benefit from this measure?

No

Measure: 8. Monitoring the activity of the CSIs and of the local support groups/committees in order to improve the access of disadvantaged groups to education.

Implemented by

My organisation »

Organisation type

National public authority

Is the measure part of the implementation plan of...

NRIS or integrated sets of policy measures on Roma

Detailed description of the measure

This measure includes the following chapter: 8.1. Drawing up the set of educational standard procedures concerning the efficient inter-institutional cooperation at county/local level, as part of the monitoring system.

Is it a mainstream or Roma targeted measure?

Targeted

Please select up to 3 areas and sub-areas most related to this measure (in accordance with the 2013 Council Recommendation)

- Education d) increase the access to, and quality of, early childhood education and care

Is funding envisaged for the measure?

No

Is it possible to estimate the number of Roma that would benefit from this measure?

No



Measure: 9. Participation of the local community at activities and programmes for improving non-discriminatory access of Roma children from disadvantaged groups to compulsory education, within state education.

Implemented by

My organisation »

Organisation type

National public authority

Is the measure part of the implementation plan of...

NRIS or integrated sets of policy measures on Roma

Detailed description of the measure

This measure includes the following chapters:

9.1. Supplementing the methodology on setting up the school board by provisions ensuring proportional representation and relevant participation of Roma parents in the decision-making process of the school board.

9.2. Setting up county and local Educational Working Groups for supporting access to education for disadvantaged groups, including Roma.

9.3. Including the proposals of these support groups/committees in the County strategies for improving access to education.

9.4. Including information on school participation and performances of Roma students in the reports and strategic documents of the CSIs, as well as publishing and distributing publications, studies, pointing out examples of success with regard to Roma's participation to education.

Is it a mainstream or Roma targeted measure?

Mainstream

If mainstream, does the measure have explicit safeguards?

No

Please select up to 3 areas and sub-areas most related to this measure (in accordance with the 2013 Council Recommendation)

- Education c) reduce early school leaving

Is funding envisaged for the measure?

No

Is it possible to estimate the number of Roma that would benefit from this measure?

No

Measure: 10. Information/dissemination with regard to segregation/desegregation, non-discriminatory access to education, preventing school absenteeism and school drop-out, abuse and neglect of disadvantaged children.

Implemented by



My organisation »

Organisation type

National public authority

Is the measure part of the implementation plan of...

NRIS or integrated sets of policy measures on Roma

Detailed description of the measure

This measure includes the following chapters: 10.1. Continuing to edit and post on MESR site the electronic newsletter concerning Roma children education.

10.2. Setting up and running campaigns on preventing discrimination and on promoting diversity and the principles of inclusion in the educational system.

10.3. Introducing certain initial/training programmes in schools for non-Roma teachers, non-Roma parents and students in the spirit of the respect for diversity, interculturality, multiculturalism, prevention and fight against discrimination, knowledge of Roma culture, customs and mentalities.

Is it a mainstream or Roma targeted measure?

Mainstream

If mainstream, does the measure have explicit safeguards?

No

Please select up to 3 areas and sub-areas most related to this measure (in accordance with the 2013 Council Recommendation)

- Education e) consider the needs of individual pupils in close cooperation with their families

Is funding envisaged for the measure?

No

Is it possible to estimate the number of Roma that would benefit from this measure?

No

Measure: MINISTRY OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS- special places in educational institutions for Roma citizens.

Implemented by

My organisation »

Organisation type

National public authority

Is the measure part of the implementation plan of...

Other – another national level plan

Detailed description of the measure

29 places allocated out of which 21 occupied

Is it a mainstream or Roma targeted measure?

Targeted

Please select up to 3 areas and sub-areas most related to this measure (in accordance with the 2013 Council Recommendation)

- Education

Is funding envisaged for the measure?

Yes



What was the total funding ALLOCATED for the year of reporting?

National public funding: 77951€ESIFs European Structural and Investment Funds (e.g. ESF, ERDF, EARDF): 0€

What was the total funding SPENT during the year PRECEDING the YEAR OF REPORTING?

National public funding: 0€

Is it possible to estimate the number of Roma that would benefit from this measure?

No

Measure: Increasing the number of persons belonging to Roma in the labor market

Implemented by

My organisation »

Organisation type

National public authority

Is the measure part of the implementation plan of...

Other – another national level plan

Detailed description of the measure

Measures implemented in accordance with Law no. 76/2002, for integration into the labor market aa vulnerable groups, including Roma, are included in the training programs and employment work and include:

- Free information and counseling to people looking for a job;
- Free mediation services regarding job vacancies or newly created;
- Stimulating labor mobility by providing employment bonuses or installation, if any;
- Organise training courses for people looking for a job;
- Evaluation skills Romanian citizens belonging to the Roma minority;
- Subsidies employers to hire disadvantaged or belong to more difficult access to the labor market;
- Provide personalized accompaniment of young people at risk of marginalization by concluding solidarity contracts and provision of specific services, including through subsidies to employers who hire people insertion in this category.

Is it a mainstream or Roma targeted measure?

Targeted

Please select up to 3 areas and sub-areas most related to this measure (in accordance with the 2013 Council Recommendation)

- Employment

Is funding envisaged for the measure?

Yes

What was the total funding ALLOCATED for the year of reporting?

National public funding: 235667€

What was the total funding SPENT during the year PRECEDING the YEAR OF REPORTING?

National public funding: 235667€

Is it possible to estimate the number of Roma that would benefit from this measure?

No



Measure: MINISTRY OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS - positions within prefectures for Roma minority

Implemented by

My organisation »

Organisation type

National public authority

Is the measure part of the implementation plan of...

Other – another national level plan

Detailed description of the measure

42 positions created within the 42 prefectures (35 occupied and 7 vacant). Allocated budget - 483,742 Euro

Is it a mainstream or Roma targeted measure?

Targeted

Please select up to 3 areas and sub-areas most related to this measure (in accordance with the 2013 Council Recommendation)

- Employment

Is funding envisaged for the measure?

No

Is it possible to estimate the number of Roma that would benefit from this measure?

No

Measure: Improving the Legal framework for the functioning of Community Health Assistance

Implemented by

My organisation »

Organisation type

National public authority

Is the measure part of the implementation plan of...

NRIS or integrated sets of policy measures on Roma

Detailed description of the measure

At the moment , we have the draft for the Healthcare Community Law elaborated within the working group on community healthcare . The draft will be submitted further for approval.

Ministry of Health has established in September 2014 the working group on healthcare community , including health mediation, which aims to develop proposals in order to clarify and harmonize the existing legal framework for functioning in community healthcare.

Main issues include health mediation, developing the organization and functioning of the integrated community centers , developing tools, guidelines and protocols for healthcare staff in the Community Health Assistance (community nurses and health mediators).

The working group includes representatives of the ministries involved in social inclusion of vulnerable groups including Roma and representatives of Roma and non-Roma NGOs. Ministry of Health initiated this working group to achieve a coherent framework for the development of medical , social services and health education in an integrated context in order to increase access to quality services for persons belonging to vulnerable groups, including Roma.

Is it a mainstream or Roma targeted measure? Mainstream



If mainstream, does the measure have explicit safeguards? No

Please select up to 3 areas and sub-areas most related to this measure (in accordance with the 2013 Council Recommendation)

- Healthcare population a) remove any barriers to access the healthcare system accessible for the general population

Is funding envisaged for the measure? Yes

What was the total funding ALLOCATED for the year of reporting?

National public funding: 0€

What was the total funding SPENT during the year PRECEDING the YEAR OF REPORTING?

National public funding: 6377096€

Source of the estimate National statistical office

Is it possible to estimate the number of Roma that would benefit from this measure?

No

Measure: Developing the institutional capacity of health service providers at Community level

Implemented by

My organisation »

Organisation type

National public authority

Is the measure part of the implementation plan of...

NRIS or integrated sets of policy measures on Roma

Detailed description of the measure

Ministry of Health supplemented the financing of human resources in Community Healthcare Assistance in 2015 with 95 health mediators in addition of the 391 mediators already in the system and with 399 positions available for community nurses in addition to the 982 in the system . At the end of 2015, 29 positions for mediators and 248 positions for community nurses are closed There is a recruitment process undergoing at local authority level for another 60 positions of health mediators and 116 positions for community nurses.

At present, human resources in the healthcare community assistance is made up of 1266 community nurses and health mediators 420. We note that in most communities there are Romanian citizens of Roma ethnicity and the community nurses provide medical services to all vulnerable groups, including Roma.

Moreover , we encouraged the emergence of a new professional category , namely the Roma community nurse in order to increase Roma minority accessibility to healthcare .In present , we already have 4 community nurses of Roma ethnicity from a number of 1266 in place .

In order to develop new models of intervention in Roma community , the Ministry of Health runs the Project RO 19.03 ""Strengthening the National Network of Roma mediators to improve the health status of the Roma population"" within the RO 19 ""Initiatives in Public Health"" through which were trained a total of 45 mediators and 45 community nurses.

Data collection tools were developed for healthcare staff in the Community (community nurses and health mediators) and we started using them in a pilot project in 6 counties A reporting form for health mediator and a reporting form for community healthcare assistance will be proposed for use by all personnel in the healthcare community. In this way , we will have a unified collection of data and greater accuracy at national level.

Is it a mainstream or Roma targeted measure? Mainstream

If mainstream, does the measure have explicit safeguards? No

Please select up to 3 areas and sub-areas most related to this measure (in accordance with the 2013 Council Recommendation)



- Healthcare population a) remove any barriers to access the healthcare system accessible for the general population

Is funding envisaged for the measure? No

Is it possible to estimate the number of Roma that would benefit from this measure? No

Measure: Increasing vaccination coverage in children from vulnerable groups, including Roma

Implemented by

My organisation »

Organisation type

Partnership

Is the measure part of the implementation plan of...

Other – a regional or local level plan

Detailed description of the measure

The Ministry of Health is a partner of the Institute for Public Policy in the project "Non-discrimination means equal rights! Roma children have equitable access to health services - a fundamental requirement in a non-discriminatory society!" part of RO10 program for children and young people at risk . The project aims to reduce national inequalities and promote social inclusion especially for children of vulnerable groups . It is financed through EEA Grants 2009-2014 and managed by the Romanian Social Development Fund (RSDF). The project implementation started in 2015 in Giurgiu and Bacau counties and addresses Roma communities in 4 localities of the two counties .

The project aims to develop models of multidisciplinary teamwork (Health mediator, community nurse, social worker, GP, other local actors) in order to increase awareness of the need of vaccination and percentage of vaccinated children from Roma communities.

Is it a mainstream or Roma targeted measure?

Mainstream

If mainstream, does the measure have explicit safeguards?

No

Please select up to 3 areas and sub-areas most related to this measure (in accordance with the 2013 Council Recommendation)

- Healthcare c) improve access to free vaccination programmes targeting children

Is funding envisaged for the measure?

No

Is it possible to estimate the number of Roma that would benefit from this measure?

No

Measure: Development of an integrated urban regeneration project and the eradication of unhealthy habitat for disadvantaged groups in the Ferentari neighborhood of Bucharest

Implemented by My organisation »

Organisation type Partnership

Is the measure part of the implementation plan of...



NRIS or integrated sets of policy measures on Roma

Detailed description of the measure

Access to housing, building and improving habitat, social and financial support to disadvantaged groups, public-private partnership "bottom up" /CLLD/POCU/POR

Is it a mainstream or Roma targeted measure?

Mainstream

If mainstream, does the measure have explicit safeguards?

Yes

If yes, what are those safeguards? Please describe in more details? What is the budget allocated for these safeguards?

Local action group (GAL) constituted by Community-led Local Development (CLLD) in partnership with Bucharest City Hall and the City Hall of District 5.

Please select up to 3 areas and sub-areas most related to this measure (in accordance with the 2013 Council Recommendation)

- Housing d) ensure access to public utilities (such as water, electricity and gas) and infrastructure for housing in compliance with national legal requirements

Is funding envisaged for the measure?

Yes

What was the total funding SPENT during the year PRECEDING the YEAR OF REPORTING?

National public funding: 0€Other (international or private): 0€If other, enter the source: n/a

Is it possible to estimate the number of Roma that would benefit from this measure?

No

Measure: The pilot program "Social housing for Roma communities"

Implemented by

My organisation »

Organisation type

National public authority

Is the measure part of the implementation plan of...

Other – a regional or local level plan

Detailed description of the measure

The program is carried out in accordance with Government Decision No. 1237/2008 by the National Housing Agency and involves the construction of 280 social housing for Roma communities in the 8 regions of Romania, respectively located in 11 communities in 9 counties

Is it a mainstream or Roma targeted measure?

Mainstream

If mainstream, does the measure have explicit safeguards?

Yes

If yes, what are those safeguards? Please describe in more details? What is the budget allocated for these safeguards?

National Housing Agency budget allocated under the State Budget Law no. 186/2014



Please select up to 3 areas and sub-areas most related to this measure (in accordance with the 2013 Council Recommendation)

- Housing a) eliminate any spatial segregation and promoting desegregation

Is funding envisaged for the measure? es

What was the total funding SPENT during the year PRECEDING the YEAR OF REPORTING?

National public funding: 144444444€ Other (international or private): 0€ If other, enter the source: n/a

Is it possible to estimate the number of Roma that would benefit from this measure?

No

Measure: Measures devoted to social inclusion and poverty reduction at the urban level for the disadvantaged population - Regional Operational Programme 2014-2020

Implemented by

My organisation »

Organisation type

National public authority

Is the measure part of the implementation plan of...

Other – another national level plan

Detailed description of the measure

Regional Operational Programme 2014-2020 through the implementation of the mechanism for Local Development placed under the Community Responsibility within the Priority Axis 9 „Supporting economic and social regeneration of disadvantaged urban communities” will fund investments in the housing infrastructure, social economy, education and degraded urban spatial planning of the disadvantaged communities

Is it a mainstream or Roma targeted measure?

Mainstream

If mainstream, does the measure have explicit safeguards?

Yes

If yes, what are those safeguards? Please describe in more details? What is the budget allocated for these safeguards?

Regional Operational Programme 2014-2020

Please select up to 3 areas and sub-areas most related to this measure (in accordance with the 2013 Council Recommendation)

- Housing

Is funding envisaged for the measure? No

Is it possible to estimate the number of Roma that would benefit from this measure? No

Measure: National programme for cadastre and land book

Implemented by

My organisation »

Organisation type

National public authority

Is the measure part of the implementation plan of...



Other – another national level plan

Detailed description of the measure

National Agency for Cadastre and Land Registration under Government Decision no. 294/2015 implements the program for the period 2015-2023 and is engaged in the completion of the systemic registration of properties in the integrated information system of cadastre and land registry in 2337 administrative units in urban and rural areas of Romania financed from the revenues of National Agency for Cadastre and Land. Particular emphasis is given to vulnerable groups, especially the Roma population, through the lack of identity documents, property papers and acts of marriage.

Is it a mainstream or Roma targeted measure?

Mainstream

If mainstream, does the measure have explicit safeguards?

Yes

If yes, what are those safeguards? Please describe in more details? What is the budget allocated for these safeguards?

National Agency for Cadastre and Land Registration under Law no. 150/2015 for the the amendment of Law cadastre and land registration no. 7 /1996

Please select up to 3 areas and sub-areas most related to this measure (in accordance with the 2013 Council Recommendation)

- Housing a) eliminate any spatial segregation and promoting desegregation

Is funding envisaged for the measure?

Yes

What was the total funding SPENT during the year PRECEDING the YEAR OF REPORTING?

National public funding: 0€Other (international or private): 0€If other, enter the source: n/a

Is it possible to estimate the number of Roma that would benefit from this measure?

No

Measure: 1. The continuation of the encouragement of the involvment of the NGOs and partnerships belonging to national minorities (including the roma minority) into the LAGs

Implemented by

My organisation »

Organisation type

Partnership

Is the measure part of the implementation plan of...

Other – another national level plan

Detailed description of the measure

1. The continuation of the encouragement of the involvment of the NGOs and and partnerships belonging to national minorities (including the roma minority) into the LAGs.

Is it a mainstream or Roma targeted measure? Mainstream

If mainstream, does the measure have explicit safeguards? Yes

If yes, what are those safeguards? Please describe in more details? What is the budget allocated for these safeguards?

Local action plans or strategies, or sets of local policy measures within wider social inclusion policies, which (a) include baselines, (b) benchmarks, (c) measurable objectives for Roma integration and (d) appropriate funding.



Please select up to 3 areas and sub-areas most related to this measure (in accordance with the 2013 Council Recommendation)

- Local action

Is funding envisaged for the measure? No

Source of the estimate National statistical office

Is it possible to estimate the number of Roma that would benefit from this measure?

No

Measure: 2.The encouragement of the submission of projects by LAG organisations, projects which tackle the subject of national minorities (roma including) through LEADER

Implemented by

Other organisation »

Organisation type

Partnership

Is the measure part of the implementation plan of...

Other – another national level plan

Detailed description of the measure

2.The encouragement of the submission of projects by LAG organisations, projects which tackle the subject of national minorities (roma including) through LEADER

Is it a mainstream or Roma targeted measure?

Mainstream

If mainstream, does the measure have explicit safeguards?

No

Please select up to 3 areas and sub-areas most related to this measure (in accordance with the 2013 Council Recommendation)

- Local action

Is funding envisaged for the measure?

No

Source of the estimate

Line Ministry's registers

Is it possible to estimate the number of Roma that would benefit from this measure?

No



Measure: 3. The unfolding of the LEADER animation and promoting process which will be aimed at all local communities, potential LAG territories (including areas significantly populated with romanian citizens belonging to national minoritiues among which the roma minority)

Implemented by My organisation »

Organisation type Partnership

Is the measure part of the implementation plan of...

Other – another national level plan

Detailed description of the measure

2.The encouragement of the submission of projects by LAG organisations, projects which tackle the subject of national minorities (roma including) through LEADER

Is it a mainstream or Roma targeted measure?

Mainstream

If mainstream, does the measure have explicit safeguards?

No

Please select up to 3 areas and sub-areas most related to this measure (in accordance with the 2013 Council Recommendation)

Local action

Is funding envisaged for the measure?

No

Source of the estimate

Line Ministry's registers

Is it possible to estimate the number of Roma that would benefit from this measure?

No



Measure: NATIONAL AGENCY FOR ROMA - The National Agency for the Roma has funded, in 2014 and 2015, 29 projects, at national level, in view of solving the legal status of the Roma informal settlements (systematic register of the property acts, ID papers etc.), and, additionally, to fulfill other measures present in the NRIS (health, education et al.). The total spent budget was approx. 1,000,000 EUR (500.000 EUR per year). 33 national campaigns (out of which one online campaign) as regards the free movement of citizens in the EU (2.850 beneficiaries); launching a process of social dialogue at the local level; 3.300 households and families were beneficiaries of the project aimed at issuing property and ID related documents; 30 Roma women informed, advised as regards the health in their families as well as early marriages. 2.000 persons benefited from free medical examinations and counseling in the field of health. 650 persons advised in the field of health; 250 persons advised in view of getting the ID documents; 400 children benefited from support in the education-related activities, such as supply of stationaries, school-after-school programme, other educational programmes. The 2 years project (2014-2015) will be taken over by the National Programme for Cadaster and Public Registry, for the period 2016-2023, by the National Agency for Cadaster and Public Registry, while NAR will continue to offer support for its implementation. Support to solve the legal status of the Roma households in informal settlements (property and ID documents for Roma)

Implemented by

My organisation »

Organisation type

National public authority

Is the measure part of the implementation plan of...

NRIS or integrated sets of policy measures on Roma

Detailed description of the measure

The funded projects were aimed at solving the property and ID-related documents for over 3,300 Roma families all across the country. This helped to offer access to identity, citizenship, public services and public utilities for the beneficiaries.

Is it a mainstream or Roma targeted measure?

Mainstream



If mainstream, does the measure have explicit safeguards?

No

Please select up to 3 areas and sub-areas most related to this measure (in accordance with the 2013 Council Recommendation)

- Housing

Is funding envisaged for the measure?

Yes

What was the total funding ALLOCATED for the year of reporting?

ESIFs European Structural and Investment Funds (e.g. ESF, ERDF, EARDF): 130000000€

What was the total funding SPENT during the year PRECEDING the YEAR OF REPORTING?

National public funding: 500000€ ESIFs European Structural and Investment Funds (e.g. ESF, ERDF, EARDF): 0€ Other (international or private): 0€ If other, enter the source: n/a

Source of the estimate

Line Ministry's registers

Is it possible to estimate the number of Roma that would benefit from this measure?

No

Funding

Has funding been allocated (spent) for the implementation and monitoring of your Roma integration strategy?

Yes

Total funding ALLOCATED for the year of reporting

Total funding SPENT during the year PRECEDING the YEAR OF REPORTING

Country-specific comments on the funding

"The Ministry of European Funds has targeted the vulnerable groups, out of which Roma population in big percentage in the 6 Axes of the Operational Program for Human Capital.

Axes 1 - "Jobs for young people" - total allocated funds: 230,693,510 Euro

Axes 2 - "Improving the living condition of young people belonging to NEETS category" - total allocated funds:

- 408,572,233 Euro for less developed regions out of which 26.535.106 Euro performance reserve

- 18,701,987 Euro for Bucuresti-Ifov region out of which 1,253,350 Euro performance reserve

Axes 3 - "Jobs for everybody" (Roma direct targeted) - total allocated funds

- 1,270,959,911 Euro for less developed regions out of which 81,309,527 Euro performance reserve

- 24,853,622 Euro for Bucuresti-Ifov region out of which 1.688.063 Euro performance reserve

Axes 4 - Social inclusion and combating poverty (Roma direct targeted) - total allocated funds:

- 1,047,023,965 Euro for less developed regions out of which 65,852,595 Euro performance reserve

- 63,168,893 Euro for Bucuresti-Ifov region out of which 4.118.209 Euro performance reserve

Axes 5 - Local Development placed under Community Responsibility (DLRC) (Roma direct targeted)- total allocated funds:

- 206,392,106 Euro for less developed regions out of which 13.287.556 Euro performance reserve

- 5,586,112 Euro for Bucuresti-Ifov region out of which 364.329 Euro performance reserve

Axes 6 - Education and competences (Roma direct targeted)- total funds allocated

- 1,393,631,965 Euro for less developed regions out of which 89.680.233 Euro performance reserve

- 85,004,079 Euro for Bucuresti-Ifov region out of which 5.526.743 Euro performance reserve"

The European Structural and Investment Funds or national funding are used to build the capacity of to strengthen .



Governance and cooperation

Annual Budget for NRCP

1.1. ALLOCATED for the year of reporting: 100000€ 1.2. SPENT in the year preceding the year of reporting: 22000€

Specific comments on budget for NRCP

The entire budget spent in the previous reporting year was allocated for national and international events, aiming for disseminating the information on monitoring and evaluation framework and also for increasing the visibility of the NRCP.

Specific comments on human resources of NRCP

For the time reporting, the only full time person is Ms. Elena Iordanescu. There is a project to set up an department under the direct coordination of the State Secretary.

What is the role played by the NRCP in cross sectorial coordination of the implementation and monitoring of NRIS?

In charge

Specific comments on the role of the NRCP in cross sectorial coordination

"According to the Gov. Decision no. 18/14.01.2015, The National Roma Contact Point is responsible for coordination the national efforts in order to improve the living level of the Romanian citizens of Roma minority, to be involved in the evaluating and monitoring process of the progresses registered by the actors involved, according to the National Strategy, to report the results to the European Commission and formulate updated proposals according to present context. The National Roma Contact Point participates to the meetings organized by the European Commission and other European institutions.

The National Roma Contact Point will observe that the national policies and proposed measures to be in line with the European recommendations and synchronized with the 2020 Europe Strategy. The four main areas of interest are: labor, health, housing and educations.

Tasks of the National Roma Contact Point:

- a) participation in elaborating the Strategy and in developing action plans, updating the objectives and final evaluation of the outcomes;
- b) participating to the interinstitutional coordination for Strategy implementation, with the support of the other ministries and local and central public administration, as well as ensuring the coherence during the implementation of measures through other national reform programs or other national strategies that are part of the selection committee of the Local Development under the Community Responsibility (DLRC) and of the functional DLRC Working Group constituted by the Ministry of European Funds;
- c) participating to the National Roma Contact Point meetings in Europe in workshops and experience exchanges, as well as in other contexts of their competency; presentations and reporting to the European Commission of the progress registered in implementing the Strategy."

Please describe the process of cross sectorial coordination of the implementation and monitoring of NRIS.

" The monitoring and evaluation system coordinating by the Interministerial committee coordinator, will observe the following:

- a) semestrial analyses of the Indicators and Plan of Measures by the Committee in order to accomplish the objectives set for the year.

For an integrated report, there are periodical working group meetings of the technical secretariat with the responsible contact points.

- b) Identifying and implementing solutions / measures to accomplish the objectives set, the moment the data collected show that there is limited progress implementing the Strategy.

The integrated evaluation report elaborated by the Technical Secretariat will include solutions proposals that are to improve the gaps registered and hence, take into consideration updating the action plans.

- c) Accordingly and observing the agreement with the civil society, the recommendations through independent reports will be taken into consideration during the process of monitoring and evaluating the implementation of the Strategy."



What is the involvement of NRCP in decision making processes regarding DEVELOPMENT of relevant policies?

Participating in

Specific comments on the involvement of NRCP in decision-making processes regarding development of relevant policies

The National Roma Contact Point will observe that the policies and the measures proposed at the local and national level to be in line with the European recommendations and connected to the 2020 Europa Strategy through orientation of Roma social inclusion efforts towards 4 main areas: education, labour, health and housing.

What is the involvement of the NRCP in decision making processes regarding FUNDING of relevant policies?

Participating in

Specific comments on the involvement of NRCP in decision-making processes regarding funding of relevant policies.

"The National Roma Contact Point is actively involved in the process of guidelines frame for the calls opened for the vulnerable groups targeted. In that sense, the Operational Program for Human Capital has Axes dedicated to such issues:

Axes 1 - Jobs for young people

Axes 2 - Improving living conditions for young people belonging to NEETS category

Axes 3 - Jobs for everybody

Axes 4 - Social inclusion and combating poverty

Axes 5 - Local development placed under community responsibility

Axes 6 - Education and competencies

What is the involvement of the NRCP in decision making processes regarding IMPLEMENTATION of relevant policies?

Neither

Specific comments on the involvement of NRCP in decision-making processes regarding implementation of relevant policies.

"The National Roma Contact Point can submit to the Interministerial Committee the proposal of revising the Strategy, based on the results of the evaluation and monitoring process and /or as result of the evolutions on the European level and / or recommendations of the European institutions."

Is the NRCP facilitating participation and involvement of (Roma) civil society in the implementation of NRIS?

Yes

How does it facilitate the participation and involvement of Roma civil society? Please describe the process.

The participation and involvement of Roma civil society in the implementation of the NRIS is being encouraged through public debates and meeting, field visits, open dialogues and online communication. On the spot visits are of great effect in order to help NRCP maintain a clear vision of the Roma social context.

Who are the stakeholders? Please list them.

- "National Agency of Labour
- National Agency for Child Rights Protection and Adoption
- National Agency for Roma
- County Office for Roma (inside Prefectures)
- Regional Structures of the National Agency for Roma
- Interministerial Committee for Monitoring and Evaluating the Strategy
- National Council for Combating Discrimination
- National Cultural Center for Roma
- Department for Interethnic Relations
- National Institut of Statistics
- Local Authorities
- Prof. Dr. Alfred Rusescu" Mother and Child Protection – Institute
- Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development
- Ministry of External Affairs



- Ministry of Internal Affairs
- Ministry of Culture
- Ministry of Regional Development and Public Administration
- Ministry of Education and Scientific Research
- Ministry of Public Finance
- Ministry of European Funds
- Ministry of Justice
- Ministry of Labor, Family, Social Protection and Elderly
- Ministry of Health

Please list the stakeholders involved in the monitoring and evaluation of the NRIS

n/a

Is there a regular dialogue/cooperation established between the Equality body and the NRCP?

No

Do you have a baseline against which you assess progress for the implementation of your NRIS or set of policy measures?

No

Do you have measurable targets?

No

Conclusion

Please enter comments that did not fit into the other parts of the reporting tool

The National Roma Contact Point is going to strengthen its capacity by accessing the technical assistance project in order to succeed in accomplishing its responsibility towards the Romanian citizens belonging to the Roma minority. It also invests a lot of its resources in targeting the people that presently have no identity cards nor birth certificates and had/ have no change in becoming a targeted subject for projects, since they were/are not registered.

NRCP gives its best in order to communicate with the line ministries the need of updating the law frame to the needs of vulnerable groups and use the European funds at the local / community level.

Attachments and links