School bullying in partner countries



■Boys 13 years ■Girls 13 years ■Boys 15 years ■Girls 15 years

Source: WHO - Health Behaviour in School-aged Children, Growing up unequal: gender and socioeconomic differences in young people's health and well-being, 2016

Project and objectives

Youth for love* is a two year European project aiming to develop, implement and evaluate an integrated educational programme in high schools of Italy, Greece, Belgium and Romania in order to prevent and the fight gender-based violence (GBV) among teenagers. The project will support and raise awareness among both teaching staff and students on the existing forms and unacceptable consequences of gender-based violence and the different ways to face them.

Activities:

01. SCHOOL DIAGNOSIS AND EVALUATION OF CHANGE:

This activity aims to take a snapshot of the current situation in the schools involved in the project. It will provide an overview of the **formal** and informal plans of action to combat GBV, the level of **information and knowledge** on the subject, as well as a map of the available **initiatives**. Special attention will be given to the adolescents' perception of femininity and masculinity, gender roles, sexuality, as well as the perception of school staff and procedures dealing with violence or bullying at school. The collected data will be used to develop an educational programme that will be adapted to the specific contexts of the four countries, and to measure the impact and behavioural change at the end of the intervention.

02. TEEN SUPPORT PROGRAMME:

The teen support programme is a tool for students based on the school diagnosis and former researches and tested materials on the elimination of GBV, sexual harassment and violence among high school students. The programme will be implemented for two school years: during the first year, students will be directly involved in the activities on deconstruction of gender stereotypes and teachers will take part in some training sessions, while in the second year, the students will carry out creative activities addressed to peers - such as improvisational theatre, video production, etc...- in order to create a virtuous circle around project's themes.

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School diagnosis



Training for school staff



Teen support programme



Focus group



Web game for young people on gender stereotypes



Guidelines and educational tools

Targets

12 European schools will be involved in the development of educational tools and methodologies for the prevention and GBV case management; 1200 high-school students will be sensitized through the practical educational teen programme; 180 school professionals will be informed and trained on GBV-related issues; 2 millions of young Europeans will be reached by a massive communication campaign on gender stereotypes and GBV.











The project partnership is composed of:

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