

*Call for Participants - International Exchange of Good Practices*

***Segregated Education of Roma Children – What can be done?***

*Budapest – Hungary, 25-26 January 2018*

## AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

This **international workshop** and **networking meeting** aims to discuss about the effects of segregated education of Roma children in the schools and facilitate an exchange of **good practices** between first-line practitioners in the prevention of segregated education. Participants are invited from Hungary, Central and Eastern Europe, and Germany. The exchange provides an opportunity for getting to know good practices from other practitioners and for cross-border networking within the framework of the emerging platform “*European Network for Nonviolence and Dialogue*”.

## BACKGROUND – the ENND Network

**European Network for Non-Violence and Dialogue (ENND)** - In ENND we focus on conflicts that currently attract attention of European media and public hence steer public discussions, opinions and form values among citizens. We aim to create a functional movement/network (ENND) of civic actors interested in **peaceful interventions** in **current value based conflicts** in the CEE region. We together believe in much stronger voice of joined forces of like minded individuals and organizations who share European values and nonviolent approach. The purpose is **learning** from each other, collecting tested conflict **intervention approaches**, **supporting** each other's interventions, and organizing **public campaigns** promoting common goals and values

<http://www.pdcs.sk/en/projects/european-network-for-non-violence-and-dialogue.html>

## ABOUT Partners Hungary Foundation and PDCS

**Partners Hungary Foundation** was established in 1994. The organisation is dealing with alternative conflict resolution in different areas of the society. We are running **roma integration programs** with the focus on the empowerment of **local communities** and developing local cooperation. We work with schools addressing conflicts, aggression and violence. We are promoting the **Step by Step** teaching methodology as member of the International Step by Step Association (ISSA) [www.partnershungary.hu](http://www.partnershungary.hu)

**Partners for Democratic Change Slovakia (PDCS)** is a Slovak NGO providing professional training and facilitation services, consultancy and advisory services in areas of conflict resolution, support of dialogue in the society, citizen participation and civil society development in Slovakia and abroad. <http://www.pdcs.sk/en/>)

## PRACTICAL INFORMATION

### Participants, language

- The workshop is open to everyone who is active in the **field of desegregated education of Roma children** and who would like to share their knowledge, experiences and good practices and also learn from others. We particularly encourage **first-line practitioners** to participate from Bulgaria, Hungary, Romania and Slovakia.
- **English** will be the working language. If translation is needed, please contact the organizers in advance and we will try to arrange whisper translation by other participants or the organizers can offer support. There will be no professional interpreter.

### Dates and location of the exchange

The workshop will last from **January 25, 9:30, till January 26, 13:30, 2018** plus optional joint lunch after the concluding session (see attached preliminary programme for more details). Please, organize your travel (arrival and departure) according to these dates. The workshop location and your accommodation will be in **Budapest, Hungary**. More details will follow in the information package

### Travel and accommodation

There is **no participation fee** for the workshop. **Board and accommodation will be covered** by the organizers for the duration of the workshop.

**Accommodation** will be covered from **24-25 January 2018** upon request. If accommodation is needed till 26th of January, please, contact the organizers well in advance of the workshop. Accommodation will be booked for you by the organizers. Accommodation will be provided in twin-bed rooms. If you need a single room, please contact the organizers. Yet, you may have to **cover** the extra charge for a single room yourself.

**Travel costs** will be covered by the organizers up to a maximum of 100 € for participants from Hungary, the Czech Republic and Slovakia (usually train tickets) and a maximum of 200 € for participants from other countries (train or flight).

Travel costs will be **reimbursed after the event** by bank transfer once the participant has submitted all original documents (train/plane tickets, boarding pass, etc.) to the organizers. all travel costs for which the required information (bank account, etc.) and original documents arrive to Partners Hungary office later than 15th of February 2018 cannot be reimbursed.

## APPLICATION

To apply please fill in the **form** in the following link:

[Application form for the event in Budapest](#)

Applications must be **submitted by 17 December 2017** at midnight Central European Time. The organizers will select up to 20 participants based on the profile outlined above, ensuring

a balance between genders, countries, variety of experiences and organizations. Candidates will be informed whether their application has been accepted or rejected, and if they have been put on the **waiting list**, by 19th of December 2017.

## CONTACT AND QUESTIONS

For any question or concern please contact us:

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*Thank you for your interest! We hope to see you in Budapest!*

