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Subject: reality check for DG NEAR Roma integration award 2016 application no 2

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During this reality check, I travelled to Kragujevac to visit Roma Information Centre and the project they implement in partnership with school "Dragisa Lukovic Spanac". Due to school break I was able to meet just two of the beneficiaries. They expressed satisfaction with the project.

The activities that the project is carrying out are as follows: direct involvement in the education system in elementary school Dragisa Lukovic Spanac, youth / adults from 15- 30 years (10% were adults and 35 to 45 years), to acquire a diploma of primary school and continue further education in secondary schools or to start their own business / business. * through practical workshops handicrafts train students for practical skills, * in educational workshops motivate them to develop business ideas that are associated with acquired skills * seminars to train students to write business plans and introduce them to the possibilities of self-employment, through a grant from the National employment. * professional training to increase the level of education - enrollment in secondary schools or agencies for education implement various actions in the community - exhibitions, fairs, to help users acquire sales skills, find a job with an employer or start their own business themselves. for an innovative way to access informal education of Roma from 15-30 years of age, who are involved in the program FEEA's, for practical work, own design business idea and its realization, ie. self-employment.

The acquisition of practical knowledge and entrepreneurial skills in order to increase professional mobility and flexibility for the sake of motivating and encouraging self-employment for people who are in the process FEEA.

In terms of long lasting develop model workshops - decoupage skills; handicrafts and traditional crafts; mentoring in the business club; ongoing support in basic education vocational training.

More on the project could be seen here: https://www.facebook.com/ric.kragujevac/media_set?set=a.1340244702656199.1073741873.100000120473662&type=3&pnref=story

Cc: video material

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