

DAPHNE

The Programme DAPHNE supports activities related to fighting against children, young people and women violence. It is an instrument for the implementation of EU policies on justice, freedom and security. The program supports the rights of children, young people and women and their protection, in particular with regard to sexual exploitation and abuse. The total budget of the program for the period 2004 - 2008 is 50 million euro. The annual budget is 8.3 million euro.

Objectives:

- To contribute to the establishment of an area of freedom, security and justice
- To protect citizens from violence and to achieve a high level of welfare, public health and social cohesion
- To carry out joint operations with Community policies in areas: public health, gender equality, protecting children's rights, the fight against human trafficking and sexual exploitation.

Tasks of the Programme:

Task 1 - To prevent and fight against all forms of violence in public or in the home area against children, young people and women taking preventive measures and give support to victims and groups at risk.

Task 2 - To promote international action for:

- Establishment of multi-networks
- Ensuring the expansion of knowledge, information, dissemination of good practices, including through training, study tours and exchange of personnel

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- Increase of vigilance for violence among targeted audiences to promote zero tolerance to violence, to promote support for victims and report cases of violence to the competent authorities
- Studying phenomena associated with violence, to identify its roots and work on them at all levels of society

Activities:

- Specific activities undertaken by the Commission, such as research and studies, surveys, identifying indicators and common methods, seminars, conferences and expert meetings, collection, development and dissemination of information materials, support for national expert networks, analysis, surveillance, evaluations
- Specific international projects of Community interest presented by at least three Member States in accordance with the terms of the annual work programmes
- Supporting the activities of NGOs and other companies working for the common European interest under the Programme objectives and in accordance with the terms of the annual work programmes
- Co-financing the costs of the continuous work program of the European Federation for missing and sexually exploited children.

The Programme will be open for participation by the following countries, in accordance with the terms of participation of these countries into the Community:

- The countries of the European Free Trade Association which are part of the EEA Agreement
- Associated candidate countries and Western Balkans countries, that have concluded stabilization and association agreements, in accordance with the terms of the Community programs that work or will work in those countries
- Activities of the projects may be associated with countries that are not participants in it where it will contribute to their preparation for accession

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- Third countries may participate as well, since this will help to achieve the objectives of the Programme

Target groups:

The program is open to all groups that are directly or indirectly related to the issue of violence; main target groups are victims of violence and groups at risk of violence, other target groups are teachers, police, social workers, local and state government, medical personnel, judicial personnel, NGOs, trade unions and religious communities.

Budget:

The proposed budget for the implementation of this Programme is 116.9 million euro. The Programme cooperates with other Community instruments such as “Security and Safeguarding Liberties”, “Solidarity and management of migratory flows”, the Seventh Framework Programme, “A Safer Internet Plus” and Programmes in health care.

Information:

Additional information regarding DAPHNE Programme can be found on:

http://ec.europa.eu/justice_home/funding/daphne3/funding_daphne3_en.htm

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