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**European peer to peer actions to raise the awareness of children, youngsters and professionals
on rights in children and juvenile justice
JUST/2014/JPPI/AG/CHIL/6928**

BRUSSELS FINAL EVENT MEETING AGENDA

Date: May 2nd 2017

Location: European Parliament – Rue Wiertz 60, 1047 Bruxelles
Room JAN 6Q1

02 May 2017

From 5 pm to 7 pm

5 PM Welcome addresses

5.20 PM Institutional Presentations – Ms Elena Centemero – President of the Commission of Equality and Non Discrimination, Council of Europe

5.40 PM The minor's point of view through the experience of Judicial Proceedings in a Child-Friendly Guidelines framework – Ms Susanna Galli – Metropolitan City of Milan

6.00 PM A brief introduction to Breaking the Circle (Project Partners)

6.15 PM Main findings of the consultation process and of the Child-Friendly Justice Guidelines Integration Document (Project Partners)

6.30 PM Project Tools and Dissemination (Project Partners)

6.45 PM Voices from the fields: Italy, Romania, Spain and Cyprus (Project Partners)

Some representative of the Right of the Child Team in European Commission will be present and participate to the Event.

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Breaking the Circle – About the project

A brief explanation

Breaking the Circle project is headed by Metropolitan City of Milan; its partners are from Italy: Codici Ricerca e Intervento, Comunità Nuova Onlus, dotdotdot (Milan); Spain: Universidad Autonoma, Suyae (Madrid); Cyprus: Eurosuccess Consulting (Nicosia); Romania: Ahead Association (Brasov). The project is about the Awareness of Child Rights in Judicial Procedures. Breaking the Circle is financed under the Justice Program, Priority Reference: Awareness of Child Rights in Judicial Procedures – JUST/2014/JPPI/AG/CHILD/6928.

The main objectives of Breaking the Circle are: to raise the awareness of children and youngsters of their rights in the context of civil, criminal and administrative judicial procedures through a participatory approach; to increase the knowledge of professionals working in the field of Juvenile Justice and in the Educational System on a Child-Friendly Justice Approach; to improve Child-Friendly Justice Practices in all member states of EU.

The project started with a participatory research and a consultation process in which more than 100 minors involved at a different level in judicial procedures and over than 60 professionals working in the field, in Cyprus, Italy, Romania and Spain. Here you can download the “Child-Friendly Justice Integration Document” here:

http://www.cittametropolitana.mi.it/welfare_e_pari_opportunita/breakingthecircle/Aggiornamenti-BTC.html

The results of the research and of the consultation process have been used to build up a specific Breaking the Circle Active Learning Toolkit that in this moment is being used in the over 50 Awareness Raising Campaign and Training Activities, in Secondary and Professionals Schools, and formal and non formal educational contests in all the cities and districts involved in the project, addressing 1.500 youngsters aged 12-17 and over than 60 professionals working with them. At the same time we’re realizing Training Sessions for Professionals, with the aim to raise the awareness of those professionals who can active preventively, working in the field of Juvenile Justice and in the Educational Field (250 professionals reached, in between social workers, educators, psychologists, prison guards, policemen, mediators, family consultants, lawyers...).

You can find more information about the Active Learning Toolkit and on Breaking the Circle Activities in the web platform that we co-built and realized with all the project partners:

<http://breakthecircle.altervista.org/>

Now we would like to share with you all the learning and the experiences we built up within this project: we think that the methodology we’ve been testing and systematizing should be spread within those professionals that, at a EU Level, can act preventively for a Child-Friendly Justice Approach. The Breaking the Circle Active Learning Toolkit, in English and Transferable to other EU Countries, can be useful to address this last objective, to let children and young people in all Europe have a good experience if they’re involved in Judicial System.