

 **Regione Emilia-Romagna**



**Reggio Emilia**  
**città**  
**delle persone**

# **PROGETTO ROSEMARY Oltre la strada**





# **KEYWORDS**

**United Nations Convention Against Transnational  
Organised Crime  
(December 2000)**

**HUMAN TRAFFICKING**

**SMUGGLING OF  
MIGRANTS**

# ITALIAN LAW

**D.Lgs. 286/98 art.18**

**Social protection programmes**

**Human trafficking Reduction or maintenance in slavery (art. 600 c.p.)**



# **SOCIAL PROTECTION PROGRAMMES**

**(Integration and social welfare programmes  
pursuant to art. 18 of the Italian Immigration Law)**

**Who has access?**

**Foreign nationals (*including EU*)**

**who have suffered violence or serious exploitation (*of any kind: sexual, labour, illegal activities etc.*)**

**and at the same time  
are at risk (*for themselves or their family*)**

**to try to get out of this situation**

# NATIONAL ANTITRAFFICKING PLAN

- Running since 2016
- With a national call for funding regional projects
- Liaising with the asylum-seekers service (Sprar) and extraordinary immigrant welfare projects managed by the Prefectures (Cas) after the landings in 2014



**Interventi  
della Regione Emilia-Romagna  
e delle Amministrazioni locali  
contro la tratta e lo sfruttamento**

# **PROJECT “OLTRE LA STRADA”: NETWORK STRUCTURE**

**PROMOTOR INSTITUTE**  
**Regione Emilia-Romagna**

**10**  
**PUBLIC AUTHORITIES HOLDERS**  
**Comuni di Piacenza, Parma,**  
**Reggio Emilia, Modena, Bologna,**  
**Ferrara, Cesena, Ravenna**  
**Az. USL di Rimini**

**25**  
**PUBLIC AND PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS**  
**Associations and cooperatives - IPAB – Social Services Union etc**

**200**  
**SUBJECTS INVOLVED IN THE SUPPORT NETWORK**  
**Organizzazioni del Terzo Settore, Sindacati, Province, altri Enti pubblici,**  
**Aziende USL e Ospedaliere, Prefetture, Questure, Carabinieri, Ispettorati del**  
**Lavoro, Procure della Repubblica, scuole, enti di formazione**

# THE EMILIA ROMAGNA'S NETWORK

**INTERVENTIONS**

**SANITARY  
PREVENTION**

**AGAINST  
TRAFFICKING**

**Street Unit**

**“Invisible”  
(indoor  
prostitution)**

**Social Protection**

**Asylum seekers  
Services**

**Support  
to  
Local Network**

**Monitoring**

**UE Projects  
International  
Cooperation**

**Working and  
updating  
Tools**



# **MUNICIPALITY OF REGGIO EMILIA**

## **Progetto Rosemary (running since 1997)**

- **STREET UNIT**
- Cooperativa Sociale 'Caleidos'
- **SOCIAL PROTECION PROGRAMMES**
- Associazione 'Rabbuni'

# THE STREET UNIT

- Contact with sex workers working on the streets
- Accompanying them to health and social services and women's health clinics
- Harm reduction perspective
- Team of (male and female) social workers and cultural mediators



# **HARM REDUCTION**

The work carried out on the streets, distributing health products (condoms and lubricating gel) and promoting prevention by distribution information leaflets, limits the spread of sexually transmitted diseases among the population at risk.

# TARGET GROUP

The prevention and information work involves the sex workers directly and the sex workers' clients indirectly.



It is therefore also a service for the community.

# INTERVENTIONS

- **Monitoring** the phenomenon (mapping surveys)
- Health prevention via **awareness raising and information** through the distribution of information materials and health products.
- **Contact visits** differentiated by target: Romania (Eastern and Trans-Europe), China, Nigeria
- **Drop-in** and **guidance** services in the community
- **Accompanying to health services** (Women's Health, Health Registration Service, Hospital – Infective Diseases and Gynaecology)

# On the street in 2017

- CONTACTS (NEW + OLD): 1404
  - of which:
  - WOMEN: 1108 (99 under 18?)
  - TRANSSEXUALS: 279
  - CROSS DRESSERS: 17
  - MEN: 0
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- NATIONALITIES: Nigeria, Romania, Albania, Brazil, Perù, Italy, Morocco, Bulgaria, Ecuador, China



## **Interventions of the street unit in 2017**

- CONTACT VISITS: 89
- MAPPING SURVEYS: 10
- DROP-IN: 33
- ACCOMPANYING TO HEALTH SERVICES: 112
- ABORTION: 0

# THE INVISIBLE PROJECT

Monitoring and contact visits in the field of INDOOR PROSTITUTION (since 2007)

- **MONITORING THE PHENOMENON:** data collection and entry in a regional database of advertisements linked to indoor prostitution published in newspapers and on the web; entry of the results of phone calls made by the social workers to sex workers.
- **CONTACT WITH THE TARGET:** through phone calls made by a social worker offering health prevention services.



# The Invisible Project in 2017

- ADVERTISEMENTS PLACED: 1218 (prevalent source: Web)
- NATIONALITIES: Not Defined, oriental, italian and South american
- PHONE CALLS MADE: 407 (315 women, 51 trans, 18 men, 10 pairs and transvestites)



# EXPERIMENTAL ACTIONS

- **MEN'S PROJECT:** action aiming to monitor and investigate male prostitution
- **MASSAGE CENTRE PROJECT:** action aiming to study the phenomenon of prostitution in massage centres



# **EXIT PATH: INTERVENTIONS**

**Initial contact** with victims

**Emergency** strategies

**Welcome service:** emergencies, hospitality, semi-independence

Social welfare services

Health and psychological support services

Accompaniment to **local health and social services**

Support for crime reporting and during **legal proceedings**



# EXIT PATH: INTERVENTIONS

Regularisation (residence permit and passport)

Literacy and education

Motivation workshops

Vocational training and work placement

(internships, work placements, courses, work experience, etc.)

Family reunification

Support to repatriation

# SOME KEY ELEMENTS

- Local and national networking (Anti-trafficking freephone number)
- Cooperation among volunteers and social workers for victim support services
- Implementation of initial contact and emergence strategies
- Links with asylum seeker services (hospitality and Territorial Commissions)
- Paths for specific targets (women with children, transexuals, ex minors)

# Exit paths in 2017

- 50 individual paths (men, women, trans), of those:
  - 20 new ones in the year
  - 39 Nigerian women
  - Prevalent age group: 18-24 years (50%)
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- 26 literacy and education courses
  - 3 vocational training courses
  - 20 internships
  - 10 paths successfully completed in the year