

Project Fact Sheet – NOR - 015

Project Title	“YES - to Integration of National Minorities in Albania”
Thematic priority area	Non-discrimination and marginalized groups
Implementing organization (and partner if applicable)	“Instituti of Romani Culture in Albania –IRCA”
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Implementation period	Start date: 15/10/2021 End date: 15/08/2022
Budget supported by the Civil Society programme for Albania and Kosovo	€ 25,000.00
Total project budget	€ 27,500.00
Geographical coverage	National (Tirana Municipality)
Project objective	<p><u>The overall objective:</u> To contribute to the reduction of racial prejudices and intolerant attitudes against national minorities through promotion of diversity and inter-cultural dialog.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The rise the public awareness on the importance human rights protection and fight against racial discrimination. • To build the capacities of young people on intercultural dialog and advocacy and engage them in youth work. • To promote the identity, culture and values of national minorities.
Targeted beneficiaries	<p>Direct beneficiaries:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 150 students of the Faculty of Social Sciences (50% female) who will be informed and will develop critical thinking on human rights issues in Albania. - 25 young people, representatives of national minorities participating in the workshop and engaged on leading advocacy initiatives will build their capacities on intercultural dialogue and advocacy; - Representatives of 9 national minorities living in Albania who will have the opportunity to promote their identity, culture and tradition through project activities; - 10.000 listeners of Capitol online radio <p>Final beneficiaries:</p>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - National minority members whose situation relating to human rights and fundamental freedoms will be improved. - General public who will improve the information level regarding the national minorities living in Albania
Main activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct three seminars on the topic "Racial hate speech a threat for human rights and fundamental freedoms" with the participation of students of the Faculty of Social Sciences (3 seminars in total with the participation of close to 150 students from the Faculty of Social Sciences will be organized in cooperation with the State University of Tirana, European University of Tirana and University "Marin Barleti" during the implementation of the project). • Four podcasts on human rights protection topics (A total of 4 podcasts will be prepared and broadcast through the online radio "Capitol" which has about 10,000 followers) • Conduct one 2-day Workshop on "Inter-cultural Dialogue in Albania, Challenges and Opportunities", with the participation of youth and activists, representative of national minorities in Albania (The 2-day workshop on "Intercultural Dialogue in Albania, Challenges and Opportunities" will bring together 25 young people, activists, representatives of national minorities in Albania). • Support two advocacy initiatives of young people on human rights protection (The project will support the realization of two advocacy initiatives designed by young people, representative of national minorities on the issue of high interest of the implementation of human rights. The action will cover the cost of materials, experts and activities relating to the conduct of advocacy initiatives. The main focus will be given to the advocacy on the preparation of the last four remaining by-laws of the minority law approved in the year 2017). • Organize Public Event "Cultural mosaic of national minorities in Albania" (In the frame of the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, one Public Event will be organized in a public space in Tirana on 21st of March. For the realization of this activity IRCA will cooperate with the State Committee of Minorities and the Municipality of Tirana. The program will contain artistic, promotional activities, music, discussions and special guests, personalities of national minorities who will share their personal stories. Promotional materials, posters, banners, T-shirts, hats with the logo and the message of the activity will be used to increase the visibility of the activity).



Project results

1. Increased public awareness on protection of national minority rights, human rights and fight against discrimination (150 students and 10.000 listeners of Capitol online radio)
2. Capacities of youth representatives of national minorities on implementing advocacy initiatives strengthened (25 young people representatives of national minorities).
3. Identity, culture and tradition of national minorities promoted (At least 100 people participating in the public event; Representatives of 9 national minorities)

