



THE EDUCATION SYSTEM AND GOOD PRACTICE EXAMPLES OF PROJECTS FROM THE CZECH REPUBLIC

Roma EDEM International Seminar

***Fighting against Roma/Traveller discrimination
in education and employment***

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Workshop – Education

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- Romany pedagogical assistant
- Preschool education
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- Secondary education
- University education
- Community education

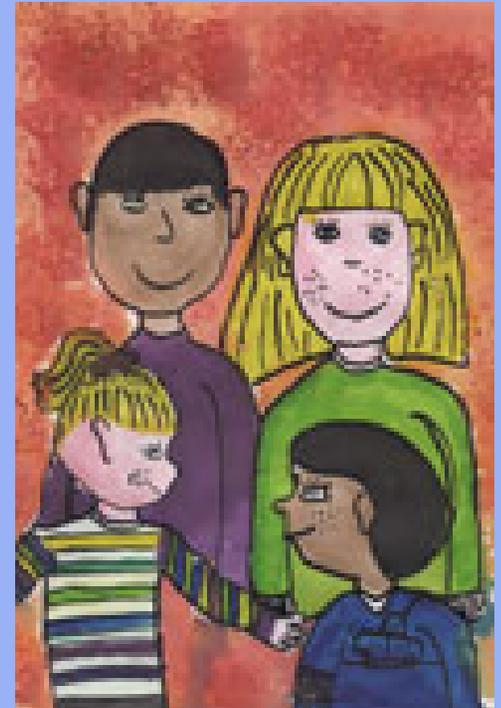
Romany pedagogical assistant

- Starting from 1993 – financed by NGOs
- From 1998 – financed by the Education Ministry
- From 2000 to 2004 “Methodical directive of Education Ministry”
- From 2005 – RPA incorporated to School Act
- Number of RPA – 300



Preschool education

- Kindergartens – 3 to 6 years
- School preparing classes - 5 to 6 years
- Clubs of preschool education (NGOs)
- Project “Kukadla – Jakhora” – Step by Step Czech Republic (NGO)



First grade of Elementary School

- Obligatory school attendance from 6 to 15 years
- First grade – 6 to 11 years
- Highest number of RPA
- Enrollment for school (postponement)
- Replacement of children to special schools
- Tutoring in the schools



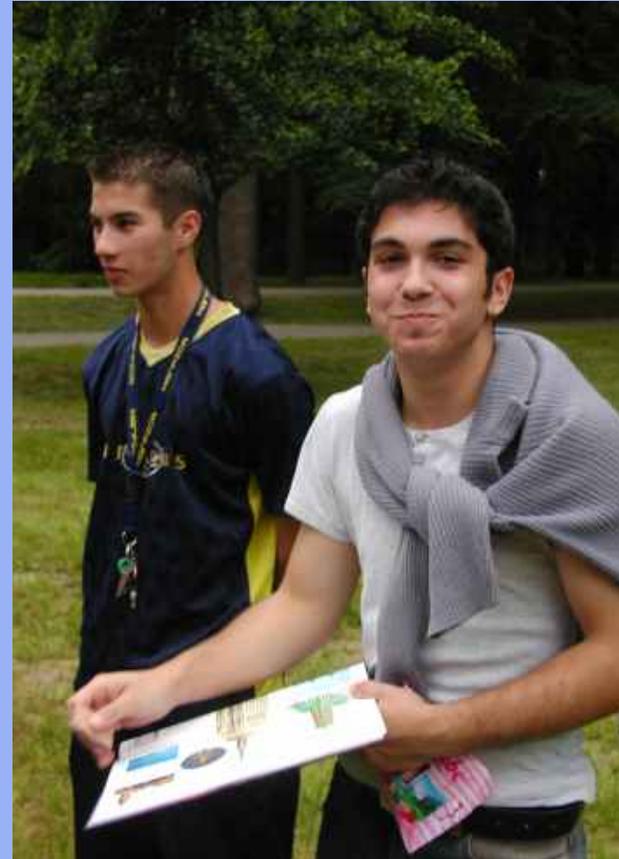
Second grade of Elementary School

- Second grade - 11 to 15 years
- Low number of integrated Roma learners in non-Roma schools
- Support projects of NGOs
Nova skola, Slovo 21, Masaryk University
- Volunteers
- Effort to replace Roma learners from special to mainstream elementary schools



Secondary education

- Apprentice schools (2 years without expert qualification)
- Expert apprentice schools
- High schools
- Romany high school
- Scholarship of Education Ministry for Roma students, DROM (Fond Verda)
- NGO Projects – Nova skola, Athinganoi



University education

- Very low number of University Roma students
- Romanistic studies at Charles University
- Preparing for University entrance examination - Slovo 21 (NGO)
- Most preferred majors – Social Work, Social Pedagogic, Pedagogical studies, Romanistic studies, Law

Community education

- Focused on needs of the community
- Adults learning activities
- Extension of offer to after school activities
- Nova skola (NGO)



Education of Roma adults

- Step by Step Czech Republic (NGO) projects:
 - Lecturer of free time (after school activities) – retraining scheme
 - Support for Roma NGOs - seminars + consulting + supervision in fundraising, management, PR, communication skills,...etc.)





Thank you
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your
attention.

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