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Romophobia, anti-Gypsyism, disinformation

Contemporary threats to a multicultural, civil society and their consequences

**A series of 9 workshops funded by the Anna Lindh Foundation
04.02 - 31.03.2024, every Tuesday 5 PM**

Anna Lindh Foundation and the Home of the Borderland Foundation are pleased to invite you to the first round of weekly workshops dedicated to Romophobia, anti-Gypsyism and disinformation.

The series introduces participants to the problem of Romophobia, anti-Gypsyism, and more broadly, to the issue of disinformation. Anti-Romani sentiment, also known as ziganophobia is a form of prejudice which consists of hostility, discriminatory, racist and xenophobic convictions directed at members of the Romani community. Related disinformation builds on this prejudice, contributing to a broader discrimination of the community and enforcing harmful social stereotypes.

We are very keen to educate on and teach how to counteract hatred and discrimination against the Roma minority. The series of workshops offers a dynamic learning space, experiential knowledge and applied solutions, drawn from the practical experiences of the workshops' convenors and the know-how of others working on the topics. It consists of 9 meetings taking place **once a week over the period of two months, each Tuesday at 5 PM online**. The workshops are aimed at professionals working within the civil society sector. Members of minority groups are particularly encouraged to apply. Participation is free of charge and certified.

The application deadline is the 10th of December at midnight. To apply, follow this link: <https://alf.website/en/alf-hands-on/>. Contact as with any questions regarding the workshop series at biuro@fundacjadomnapograniczu.pl



WORKSHOPS PROGRAMME AND SCHEDULE, 1st Round

1. "Roma in Europe - social situation and contemporary identity", Agnieszka Caban, 04.02.2025, 5 PM CET

Introduction to the Roma community, overview of their social positioning and the current challenges the community faces on daily bases. An emphasis will be put on the diversity within the Roma community in the context of intersectionality of its members.

2. Romophobia and anti-Gypsyism - contemporary threats to intersectional dialogue", Agnieszka Caban, 11.02.2025, 5 PM CET

Introduction to Romophobia and anti-Gypsyism, where prejudice and discrimination against Roma people come from and what their consequences are for Roma communities in Europe as well as for the majority societies. The goal of the meeting is to provide the participants with an ability to recognize the instances of those phenomena and be able to counter them.

3. Counteracting Romophobia and Anti-Gypsyism - case studies, Agnieszka Caban. 18.02.2025, 5 PM CET

During this module, we will learn how to counteract Romophobia and anti-Gypsyism on various levels, we will talk about our experiences in this topic and ideas for solving problems in local and global communities.

4. Gender-based Disinformation as a threat to the Roma Community, Magdalena Górska. 25.02.2025, 5 PM CET

During this meeting, we will learn what GID is and how to counteract it. What impact does it have on communities? We will share our own experiences using examples of other topics and groups, e.g. refugees, Muslims, the COVI-19 pandemic.

5. How to prevent Gender-Based and Identity Disinformation (GID)?, Magdalena Górska, 04.03.2025, 5 PM CET

Actively creating solutions to counteract GID targeted at the Roma community using shared experiences. Creating good practices to counteract GID by engaging a common approach and group experience.

6. Creating an open society - how to support people with complex identities?, Magdalena Górska, 11.03.2025, 5 PM CET

Recognizing contemporary Roma identities, we will learn how to use intersectionality to create a common society based on respect. Participants will learn about the heterogeneity of Roma groups, and during classes we will share knowledge and experience from local identities.

7. How to support Roma refugees from Ukraine? Understanding the complex situation

of refugees of Roma origin, Agnieszka Caban, 18.03.2025, 5 PM CET


During the module, we will learn about the situation of Roma refugees from Ukraine and the complexity of the identity of Roma refugees. We will find out what they need and how to support them, we will share local and global knowledge about Roma communities from Ukraine that are fleeing to various European countries.

8. Roma migrants - status and support, Agnieszka Caban, 25.03.2025, 5 PM CET

Migrants of Roma origin are another group requiring support. Most often, these are people from Romania or Bulgaria. They face intersectional discrimination. The aim of the classes will be to learn about their needs and share knowledge about how to support them.

9. Creating an inclusive society in the context of the Roma - workshops, Magdalena Górska, 31.03.2025, 5 PM CET

Together we will consider and create a guide on the most optimal ways to support the Roma community in the Euro-Mediterranean context.



Agnieszka Caban - social researcher and a community leader with over 20 years of experience in collaborating with civil society organizations . As a scholar she specializes in national and ethnic minority cultures, lecturing and teaching on intercultural communication and anti-discrimination.

Magdalena Górska - a cultural anthropologist, expert in controversy studies, specializing in disinformation, populism and political crisis studies. An alumna of the University of Warsaw and the University of Oxford, she has conducted a number of studies dedicated to a variety of topics with fieldworks based in Poland, India, Lebanon, the UK and the USA.

Home of the Borderland Foundation - a non-governmental organization working with minority groups and disadvantaged communities, particularly with ethnic minorities. The foundation undertakes cultural, scholarly, educational and advocacy activities, engaging in promotion and protection of tangible and intangible heritage of borderland and minority cultures.

Anna Lindh Foundation - is a network of civil society organizations dedicated to promoting intercultural dialogue in the Mediterranean region. It was set up in 2005 by the governments of the Euro-Mediterranean Partnership (Euromed), a political agreement made in 1995 between the European Union and Algeria, Morocco, Tunisia, Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Palestine, Israel, Syria and Turkey. It is named in honour of Anna Lindh, the Swedish Foreign Minister who was murdered in 2003. The name was put forward by Egypt at a meeting 25 September 2003.[1] The Foundation's headquarters are in Alexandria in Egypt. In 2008, André Azoulay was elected president of the Foundation.