

MUTUAL ASSISTANCE

TRANSFER OF INNOVATION

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REASONS FOR PARTICIPATING IN THIS PROJECT

- ❖ Networking.
- ❖ Innovative nature of project.
- ❖ Innovative model, previously already tested.
- ❖ Economically efficient model.
- ❖ It would develop with a consortium at European level.
- ❖ Creating transnational and European networks
- ❖ Strong institutional support by the British Agency.
- ❖ Participation in a programme which will provide a service to its target groups, offering participation in an European Programme for their labour future, thus facilitating socio-economic inclusion.
- ❖ As well, it will promote volunteerism as a social inclusion tool for students.

BHAGAVAT EDUCATIONAL TRUST

Founded in 1997 and whose main goal is promoting mutual assistance, being a marginalized group that supports another one at risk of social exclusion.

It has developed projects in Asia, Africa, Australia and Europe.

“Mutual Assistance” helps to fulfil the three main goals: employment, education and social inclusion.

This Project has obtained numerous awards, among them the “*Movility Certificate*” and with this *Transfer of Innovation Project*.

The results for the last two years have been very positive: 82% and 84% of young people (in 2009 and 2010) have entered in the educational, or voluntary system, or found work after participating in the project.

WHY BULGARIA AND TURKEY?

Bulgaria data:

- ❖ Between 300 and 500 children live on the streets.
- ❖ 17 of every 1000 children die before age 5.
- ❖ It is the second most high mortality rate in Europe.
- ❖ 35000 children live in orphanages.
- ❖ 45000 children leave school for economic reasons

Turkey data:

- ❖ 18495 youngsters from 0 to 18 years old are living in orphanages.
- ❖ About 3000 families are currently waiting for their children obtain a place in the orphanages.
- ❖ There are about 88000 children living on the streets.
- ❖ These children are abused.

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