What ENGAGE is about…

“If you educate a man you educate an individual, but if you educate a woman you educate a family nation”. This well-known saying is attributed to the Ghanaian scholar Dr. James Emmanuel Kwegyir-Aggrey.

The ENGAGE project addresses its entire focus to migrant women and those who work to support them. It is widely accepted that women and children suffer most from isolation following migration and that they endure higher levels of domestic and other violence and exploitation than their male counterparts. Migrant women are one of the most vulnerable and at-risk groups in European society.

Consortium partners are of the opinion that integration will not be achieved by doing to migrant communities, or doing for migrant communities, but rather only by doing with migrant communities. Thus the design and development of this new curriculum will be done in close consultation and cooperation with migrant women who will play a significant role in all curriculum design and development actions.

What ENGAGE does…

To date, very few initiatives have taken place in the EU which harness the full potential that the digital era offers to support migrant integration through the use of on-line technology for information provision and for education and training.

There are also very few migrant integration programmes that place migrants themselves at the centre of the programme design process.

ENGAGE will develop an Integration Leaders training programme specifically addressed to migrant women that will help them acquire the knowledge, skills and competences necessary so that they might become integration leaders in their communities.

What ENGAGE will achieve…

1. The development of an Integration Leaders training programme for migrant women
2. The production of a digital toolbox of integration training resources
3. The design and implementation of in-service training for adult education and migrant support workers
4. A bespoke e-learning portal
5. A policy paper that highlights the learning of the ENGAGE project consortium
The story so far...
During a 2-day kick-off meeting in November 2017 the consortia met for the first time in Rome (Italy) to get to know each other, to talk about the project objectives and activities and to start planning the first working tasks for all partners. Besides fruitful discussions and exchange of knowledge and experience it was also time to learn about some existing programmes for migrant women. Speha Fresia were happy to introduce women from Madagascar and Cameroon who were delighted to share their experiences with all project partners.

We do not manage only a project and we want to also remember the victims of this phenomenon.
For the 26 Nigerian girls died at the Mediterranean Sea

Coming next...
- Setting up local working groups in each partner country.
- Conducting desk and field research.
- Defining a curriculum and training framework.
- Designing prototype integration tools and resources.

Get connected with ENGAGE...
If you would like to join the local working groups that will be established in each partner country to drive the development of this interesting project, please contact the partner in your home country or the project coordinator for further information.

If you are a trainer in adult education or working in a migrant support organisation and you are interested in developing and/or delivering the ENGAGE training to migrant women, please contact the partner in your home country.

If you are a migrant woman and are interested in being an integration leader in your community and would like to participate in the ENGAGE training activities, please contact the partner in your home country.

Who are the ENGAGE partners...
The ENGAGE consortium comprises 6 partners led by Sud Concept in France who are supported by Speha Fresia in Italy; BEST in Austria; DANTE in Croatia; CARDET in Cyprus and FIPL in Ireland.

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