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STANDARDS IN SOCIAL WORK OF SERVICE WITH PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS

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The logical path of social policies:

From exclusion to inclusion

Normal living		
2 nd level	Transitional	
Services	supported	
	accomposition	
l st level	Temporary	
Services	accomodation	
Low	Night shelters	
threshold	Street work	
Services		
Rough	Social	
sleeping	exclusion	

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The logical path of services offer:

Reinsertion programme from exclusion to inclusion

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The logical path of people' biographies: From the cracking point, down under and back closer to the same critical point

Normal living Transitional 2nd level supported Services accomposition st level Temporary Services accomodation Low Night shelters threshold Street work Services Rough Social exclusion Sleeping

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different logical paths include different needs,

different offers for different standards









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STANDARDS IN WELFARE FRAMEWORKS		SOUTH-EU MODEL (corporatíve/conservatíve)	NORTH-EU MODEL (socialdemocratic/universal)	ANGLOSAXON MODEL (líberal)
Context challenge	Polícy challenge	- Píck & lack of welfare - Relevance of informal economy - family as welfare basis	 Ríghts expression of citizenship from birth universal accessibility social security based on right to quality life 	- evídence based socíal ríghts - Less elígíbílíty - Empowerment - Prívatísatíon
- e conomícal crísís	1. develop taylored SSG1	low	hígh	Low
- less stability § diminished dimension of family	2.support famíly wíth mínímum íncome	Low / non exístíng	hígh	medíum
- women hígher particípatíon ínto market - hígher flexibility	З. WLB S flexícuríty	low	hígh	medíum

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BUILDING SUCCESSFUL PROJECTS

GOALS

- ightarrow non specific, non measurable $\mathfrak s$ usually not attained
 - HOMELESSNESS IN GDANSK WILL BE REDUCED

OBJECTIVES

- \rightarrow realistically targeted to the project
 - WHO is going to do WHAT, WHEN, WHY, to WHAT STANDARDS

@ PROCESS \rightarrow participants, interactions § activities

• BY 2012, AT LEAST 20 HOMELESS WILL START RE-INSERTION PROGRAMME

@ IMPACT \rightarrow how attitude, knowledge § behaviour will change in short term

• 10 OUT 20 HOMELESS WILL DEVELOP TAYLORED SOLUTIONS

@ OUTCOME \rightarrow the implications on long term

IN 5 YEARS, 50% OF USERS WILL NEED LESS SOCIAL ASSISTANCE







BUILDING SUCCESSFUL PROJECTS

OUR PROGRAMME OBJECTIVES HAS TO BE ... SMART

SPECIFIC \rightarrow what exactly we are going to DO, with for whom

MEASURABLE -> WHAT METHODOLOGY IN SUPERVISION, DATA

ANALYSIS & CASE STUDY ANALYSIS

ACHIEVABLE \rightarrow WITHIN THE CALENDAR, POLITICAL CLIMATE,

LEGISLATIVE FRAMEWORK, AVAILABLE FUNDS

REALISTIC \rightarrow RESULTS § OUTCOMES IN LINE WITH LONG TERM PLAN

TIME-FRAMED \rightarrow ACTIONS PRODUCE RESULTS WITHIN THE PLANNED

AGENDA









what do we mean with quality?

 $Q = (S * a * cS)^2$

Quality is a Sistematic Application of Common Sense at square

Sistematic \rightarrow care-work is not occasional but based on knowledge, skills and awareness

Application as "understand" what is needed might not be enough

Common Sense \rightarrow it's focused on satisfaction \mathfrak{S} quality of life ...

 $squared \rightarrow professionality$ within care-structured environment makes outputs esponential





ABOUT QUALITY, EVALUATION & INDICATORS

"... QUALITY is the whole system of caracteristics of a product or of a service that allows to satisfy the expressed \mathcal{E} unexpressed needs of the clients/users...

... as a result of activities and of process... that might be countable or uncountable, or a combination of the two..." (adapted from UNI EN ISO 8420)

CAREWORK in a so-called "intellectual profession".

STANDARDY

w POMOCY

Evaluation \rightarrow the combination of the characteristic of the service itself, that allow to satisfy the social and individual needs, both at an expressed or unexpressed level.

There are \neq specific indicators that evaluate the process and the results of its activities.

- AWAITED EFFICACY - PRACTICAL EFFICACY

- COMPETENCE - ACCEPTABILITY

- EFFICENCY

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- ACCESSIBILITY

- LEVEL OF APPROPRIACY



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INDICATORS	PROCESS	RESULT
AWAITED EFFICACY	What is required to succed the service aims/objectives	Potentíal ability to intervene into a defined setting
PRACTICAL EFFICACY	the process needed to success within the service aims/objectives	The net output between the dayly praxis results and the awaited efficacy
TECNICAL COMPETENCE/ AWARENESS/ KNOWLEDGE	Measures the ability to act even in harder/more extreme situations	Competence, awareness and knowledge concurring to assure good compliance between teorical approach, individual experience and available resources
ACCEPTABILITY / SATISFACTION	Self evaluation of the users	The degree of users satisfaction
EFFICENCY	Capacity to fully use the available resources	Capacity to reach successfully and match together aims, objectives and expected results at the cheapest cost
ACCESSIBILITY	Logístic aspects of using available resources & degree of compliance with the aims/objectives	The most functional setting to assure the quality of users fruibility
APPROPRIACY	The compliance of the action confronting the needs § between resources / demand	The compliance between the single-user- needs and the available resources

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What are the users rights, needs & demands

- ightarrow right to social inclusion and citizenship (art. 15, 22 Human Rights Declaration)
- \rightarrow right to life in dignity and respect
- ightarrow right to health (in most EU constitutions)
- ightarrow right to chose
- \rightarrow right to receive an offer of services that are accessible, high quality
- ightarrow demand to see their needs and expectation fulfilled by existing services
- ightarrow right to participate to the decision that regards them (base of all EU constitutions)
- ightarrow right to be informed and demand transparency
- ightarrow right, need and demand for privacy





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what standards in service

TEAM & WORKERS

- ightarrow skilled and trained workers
- \rightarrow update training and continuous supervision to workers teams case studies
- \rightarrow cross-reference organisation (on individual case \mathfrak{S} on specific issue)

SERVICES

- ightarrow easily accessible with public transports and for disable
- ightarrow reasonable time table of access

OFFER

- ightarrow taylored and individualised solutions
- ightarrow global approach in accompaignment
- \rightarrow fair treatment in respect of individual needs
- ightarrow some degree of participation





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WHAT OPERATIONAL STANDARDS

- consider the person (users/client) as our absolut priority
- being capable to work our best even in each "first happening" situations
- every single time is assumed as a "first happening" situations
- data analisys is complete, confrontable, exportable, precise
- methodology is rigorous, explicit & declared, awared
- climate inside the team is based on the mutual trust
- working group is clearly structured as a team
- capable to manage a case study is longitudinal & based on mutual agreements
- confrontation between different working groups is costant & productive
- Praxis under the method of a logic in process to warrant flessibility & include the costant challenge to always develop and change
- self-control, professionality, competence & responsability are operational criteria that will allow to focus the tools to match the goals (and not the other way around)



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THE ECONOMIC ARGUMENT FOR INCLUSION



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- For Central and Eastern Europe and Balkans, World Bank estimates

€uro 1.2/3.5 Billion combined total annual fiscal benefits



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SOME GOOD EXAMPLES

VARIOUS NGOS in Torino (period 1996 \rightarrow today)

 \rightarrow skilled workers with mandatory training \mathfrak{S} continuous supervision

 \rightarrow chained range of service on cross-reference organisation

 \rightarrow taylored solutions for insertion into social economy market

ASSOCIATION AVVOCATI DI STRADA in various cities

ightarrow advocacy and free legal support

 \rightarrow different activities in social economy (newspaper, bikeshop, sewinglab...)

NUOVO ALBERGO POPOLARE ín Bergamo

 \rightarrow taylored solution and different accessibility to different service offer

 \rightarrow direct and progressive involvement in various activities in social economy

ASSOCIATION PIAZZA GRANDE in Bologna

ightarrow empowering taylored solution

 \rightarrow participation in management of public events







NECESSITY IS STRONGER FAR THAN TECHNIQUES /ARTS Aeschylus - Prometheus Bound - V. 514

 $E = mc^2$ Albert Einstein

HEALTH IS A STATE OF COMPLETE PHYSICAL, MENTAL & SOCIAL WELL BEING & NOT MERELY THE ABSENCE OF DISEASE OR INFIRMITY World Health Organisation

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