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PARTNER ACTIVITIES according to SOCIAL MEDIATION

- *Partner: LOPE DE VEGA - SPAIN*
- *Target group: women*

Which is, for your organisation, the most successful action of social mediation in order to:

- raise awareness of women as well as of their husbands and families about their emancipation
- support real path of equal opportunity between women and men
- prevent the direct or indirect discrimination of women
- change the dominant mindset

We work with all the activities that have to do with the awareness, education and social mediation from a genre equality point of view. We can classify our work in three areas:

- Workshops of non-sexist education done in class with the pupils. They are designed by the Social Department of our centre and supported by the volunteers workers of Spanish Red Cross. We especially work the use of non-sexist language, the prevention of genre violence and the awareness of the combination of the work and familiar life. The main objective is to break up the stereotypes and the prejudices in the female roles from school. The workshops target the pupils of primary education between 6 and 12 years old.
- School for Fathers and Mothers. 70% of the designed activities has the main topic of genre equality, the prevention of genre violence and the combination of work and family. The women participation in our activities is 98% whereas in men, 2%. Apart from the recreational character of the activities through craft workshop, theatre, storytelling and computer, they receive cross-education in genre equality and some workshop such as: breast cancer prevention (given by health workers), prevention of genre violence, women along history (multicultural character), familiar planning. We cannot forget the literacy workshop for women that from our centre we work in a coordinated way with other institutions.
- Direct attention to women. In the Social Department of our centre we work with the pupils' mothers the direct attention with any social problem that they have. Our work is the primary attention (prevention), directing and guiding the women to the different organizations in our city.

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The most demanded cases have been connected with genre violence, academic and work guidance, financial problems in single-parent families, drug addiction problems.

The Fathers and Mothers Association of our centre collaborates with us in all these activities.

Advantages:

The advantages of the activities developed in our centre are that they imply both parents and children and the educational community awareness. Working with the prevention (pupils in primary education) and the direct attention with mothers.

Thanks to the workshops, we have the chance of knowing the different points of view of women in the different cultures that coexist in our centre, mainly: Catholics, Muslims and Jews.

Presence of coeducation in the primary schools.

Disadvantages:

We find families that do not work at home the same things we work here with the underaged at school and hence it is not strengthened those things learnt at school.

Due to the educational burden the pupils have, the attendance to the workshops is not the desired one, being the teacher in charge of this awareness and work.

The multicultural clash, the different way of conceiving the women role in the different communities that coexist in our centre.