

ZOOMING INTO OUR MEMBERS

National Federation of Gypsy Liaison Groups United Kingdom

In 2017 ERGO Network's British member organisation the National Federation of Gypsy Liaison Groups completed the 'No Space for Hate' project funded by Awards for All. Whilst organised by a Gypsy-led organisation, this project brought together a wide range of ethnic and faith communities, culminating in an event (held in Birmingham on 15th September 2017) focusing on race hate crime and what we as citizens and community members can do to combat it in order to produce communities that are safer, more integrated and better for all those living in them. The National Federation of Gypsy Liaison Groups is also the lead organisation in a coalition of four Roma NGOs working on the two year-long project: 'Capacity-building for Roma civil society and strengthening its involvement in the monitoring of National Roma Integration Strategies'. The first year report (focusing on structural and horizontal preconditions for successful implementation of the strategy) is available on the website: www.nationalgypsytravellerfederation.org

Audience members
'No Space for Hate' event,
Birmingham



Amaro Drom, Germany



Since April 2015 the organisation develops methods for the empowerment of young Romani and the sensitization of non-Romani youngsters. The methods are based on the knowledge of young Roma who participate in the project and create its content. The main goal of "Dikhen amen!" is the education of 20 Romani youngsters as multipliers. Starting in October 2018 they will learn to give empowerment workshop for other young Roma and to sensitize non-Romani youngsters for anti-Romani racism. Dealing with the history of European Roma has been an important part of the project. During the annual youth exchange on 2 August called "Dikh angle! Look ahead!" youngsters from all over Germany came together to attend a commemorative event and to learn more about the history of persecution and resistance of their ancestors. In 2017 the youth exchange was awarded with the "Lars Day Prize – Future of Remembrance" of the Lars Day Foundation and the Academy Programs of the Jewish Museum Berlin. The project "Dikhen amen! See us!" is funded by the Federal Ministry for Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth within the federal program "Democracy Live!".