



NEW HORIZONS FOR THE BLUE WORLD

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The main objective of the project is to develop a training program with the help of new technologies (online learning platform and online counseling service), adapted for adults with autism, which respects their pace learning and highlights their skills, in order to promote their social and professional integration. It takes the form of an innovation project led by a consortium of 6 European partners, including a Russian organization.

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O1. e-learning platform We are happy to announce that the project e-learning platform is now ready! All details were discussed and finalised during our last online meeting.

O2. We are happy to announce Virtual Assistance is ready. Virtual assistant
Selecting the scenario that we want to present to the beneficiaries and strategies for work counseling;
Developing content and dialogue with;
Developing the personalized intervention plan;
Establishing an assistance program in the languages for each country;
The evaluation.
<https://new-horizons-project.org/elearning-plateform-presentation-by-romanian-partner/>

O3 Happy to announce the employers guide is ready
Employers Guide
1. Preparation of the teaching material;
2. Selection of existing techniques and methods;
3. Presentation of the characteristics of adults with autism;
4. Selection of the preparation methods of an interview by the employer. <https://new-horizons-project.org/io3-employers-guide/>

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Are there adults with autism in Romania?

YES, the autistic adult is not invisible. He lives in Romania, even if legally he does not exist.

The diagnosis of autism is not recognized after the age of 18, although this disorder is known to be lifelong. No one offers him specialized medical services and no job. "I believed in our chances, but in Romania there is no place for him. Stay home."
(mother)!

Appraisal

According to various estimates, it is believed that there are 30,000 people with autism spectrum disorders in Romania. But no one knows their exact number. "These people are not numbers, they are not file numbers. There are people who really need people. We have a responsibility towards our autistics." (anonymous blogger)

The Man Behind Autism, documentary film (trailer)

The right to education

The Romanian state does not invest in the person with autism, regardless of age.



There are dozens of NGOs in the main cities that offer diagnostic services, therapy for autistic children and counseling for their families. An individual therapeutic program is possible, but it is unlikely that any parent can afford it. However, many do. Is there reason for hope?

Special schools in Romania include children with various disabilities up to the age of 18. Educators and teachers do not offer people with autism a personalized work program. Their special needs are ignored, and educational progress non-existent.



After the age of 18, the autistic adult can be integrated into two types of collectives:

in one of the private and state family homes, where people with different disabilities live, or in a psychiatric hospital.

In both cases, his special needs are ignored. Most families decide to keep the autistic adult at home

The right to a home, independent of the family

The person with autism needs a sheltered home, where space and time are structured according to his needs for order, organization and clarity.



"There are certain forms of this disorder that need a certain regimen, a certain program. If things are not done at a high performance level, it is better to avoid them." (mother)

The right to a job

There is no cure for autism, but everyone can make progress. In general, autistic people have extraordinary artistic talents (music, painting, modelling), sports skills and quite often above average intelligence. Listen to Victor!

Adults with medium and high functioning autism can work in a protected workshop, as there are several in Romania. Adaptation to the environment and to colleagues with various disabilities, including motor or sight, depends only on them. Most cannot integrate due to the lack of specialized therapy and counseling services.

But the extent to which autistic adults can integrate into the labor market does not depend on their intelligence, skills or communication possibilities, but on our tolerance. Support this cause!