Preventing Bullying and Discrimination of Roma Children

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Roma people are among the most disadvantaged societies in the EU. They have been experiencing poverty, racism, discrimination, harassment, and bullying at all levels. Experiencing these barriers can act as serious deterrents to Roma parents sending their children to school. A prevention program (facilitating the inclusion of Roma children in schools) to combat these barriers is key to unlock this vicious cycle. However, this aim is hampered by the continued absence of data on Roma, especially in regards to bullying. Without proper scientific research on the experiences of Roma children and school attitudes towards them, no effective inclusion strategies can be developed.

**Objectives**
- To identify the prevalence and impact of bullying amongst Roma children
- To describe attitudes towards/experiences of Roma children among school and educational staff

**Aims**
- To create a cross-national policy advisory document and outline for a training module for Roma inclusiveness in schools to be implemented beyond the life of the project
- To enhance the cross-community capacity, advancing collaboration between stakeholders (e.g. Roma, NGOs, school communities, academia)

**Goals**
- To facilitate the inclusiveness of Roma children in schools
- To promote integration, reducing bullying and enhancing the well-being of Roma students

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