

NEKATERE ZNAČILNOSTI SODOBNEGA POLOŽAJA ROMOV

IZKUŠNJE NA PODROČJU IZOBRAŽEVANJA, POKLICNEGA USPOSABLJANJA IN ZAPOSLOVANJA ROMOV V SLOVENIJI / PRIMERI DOBRE PRAKSE

SOME CHARACTERISTICS OF THE STATUS OF ROMA IN SLOVENIA

EXPERIENCE IN THE FIELD OF EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT/ EXAMPLES OF GOOD PRACTICE

In the contemporary approach to the Roma status throughout Europe, dilemmas and controversies are present, which are reflected mainly in the expressed doubts about the adequacy of the extant manners of expressing the actual interests of the Roma community. Opinions differ most regarding the starting points for the adoption of special measures for the protection of Roma. Can the paternalistic approach on the part of states, reflected in the gradation of protective functions, role of the state and state institutions, possibly be efficient in the prevention of social exclusion, or is this only a way for strengthening the barriers and mutual prejudice between Roma and non-Roma?

At the international level, recently a group of intellectually and politically influential educated Roma, has been formed, that has become an active collocutor of international organizations, striving for the improvement of Roma status.

In Slovenia, a number of activities are going on in certain districts; these are directed towards the improvement of Roma status in the field of education and vocational training. Single examples of good practice in the employment and education of Roma have gradually paved the way for a wider discussion on the possibilities and modes of dialogue, cooperation, and mutual understanding between Roma and non-Roma population.

An integral strategy of the Republic of Slovenia in the shaping of models of education and vocational training for Roma is only being created. The first step in the field of becoming acquainted with the experiences of other states and with international standards has already been made. At the Council of Europe workshop in Novo mesto (October 3-5, 2001) dealing with the improvement of employment possibilities for Roma, experts of the Council of Europe took part together with representatives of local and state institutions, of the local employment offices, as well as the Roma community of Slovenia.

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V sodobnem pristopu k obravnavi položaja Romov so v celotnem evropskem prostoru prisotne dileme in protislovja, ki se odražajo predvsem v izraženih dvomih o ustreznosti obstoječih načinov izražanja dejanskih interesov romske skupnosti. Najbolj se mnenja razlikujejo glede samih izhodišč za sprejemanje posebnih ukrepov za varstvo Romov. Ali je paternalističen pristop držav ki se odraža v stopnjevanju protektivnih funkcij, vloge države in državnih institucij, sploh lahko učinkovit v preprečevanju socialne izključenosti, ali pa je to le eden od načinov za utrjevanje pregrad in medsebojnih predsodkov med Romi in ne-Romi?

V Sloveniji potekajo številne dejavnosti v posameznih konkretnih okoljih, ki so usmerjene v izboljšanje položaja Romov na področju izobraževanja in usposabljanja za zaposlovanje. Posamezni primeri dobre prakse na področju zaposlovanja in izobraževanja Romov so postopoma odprli pot tudi za širšo razpravo in razmišljanja o možnostih in načinih dialoga, sodelovanja, medsebojnega spoznavanja in razumevanja med Romi in ne-Romi.

Ključne besede: Romi, Slovenija, izobraževanje, zaposlovanje