



## **ROUND TABLES/DEBATES REPORT** **December / January 2013**

- *Partner: Onda Urbana*
- *Target group: Young people*

Let's do it better project is based on educational and training competences of the participants, in order to become promoters of their own social emancipation and social integration.

Round tables and debates based on interviews with the beneficiaries are an inspiration both for beneficiaries and professionals to think about how popular education and social mediation promote social and political empowerment of target group.

Please describe - according to the beneficiaries -

**1. *how popular education and social mediation contribute to valorize beneficiaries as professionals in terms of:***

o equal opportunities

Young people consider these two definitions just as words but with some examples of experienced lived in Onda Urbana Association activities they gave their opinion. Some of them are peer educators in our association and they consider this as an opportunity for experiencing a key role in the association which reflects their empowerment in the society.

o social inclusion

Popular education and social mediation have been experienced in video production activities regarding a subject decided by beneficiaries which reflects their life in Turin. Especially during the activity they acted as main actors for expressing solutions for their social inclusion.



o intercultural dialogue

Social mediation and popular education are considered really useful to let immigrants approach with Italian young people. Onda Urbana Youth center increases intercultural dialogue and collaboration between young people coming from different countries.

*2. how the practices of active citizenship and equal opportunities promote a process of target group's social and political empowerment*

Beneficiaries become main actors of their empowerment and social inclusion. By peer to peer education they become professional of their empowerment process and are able to produce social changes.