



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

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- *Target group: immigrants*

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

- Through the Greek lessons the beneficiaries realized that they can have better jobs and communication and they can help their children in their homework, so consequently they can have more opportunities to improve their lives.

o social inclusion

Improving their competence in Greek language can help beneficiaries to communicate better, to express their feelings, to create relationships based in equality and mutual respect.

o intercultural dialogue

The beneficiaries had the opportunity to be in contact with other people of different nationalities and social background. This fact made the lessons more interesting and helped them to be more open-minded. So they became more tolerant of the others and more willing to express solidarity. In many cases they produced innovative projects through collaboration.



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

The beneficiaries through the Albanian language courses for their children can reevaluate their background, the route of their lives and feel rich of experiences . The knowledge of Greek language can make them feel more confident to claim their rights, to strengthen their self- esteem and fight for a better life. As a result the beneficiaries feel more committed to help and protect their community.