OUT OF SCHOOL CHILDREN!

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Periodic Summary

In the framework of the initiative "OOSC – Out of School Children"



The Initiative "Out of school children" in partnership with the Ministry of Education and Sports and UNICEF, is implemented by the Observatory for children's rights. This initiative is aimed at monitoring the current situation of the education system in Albania regarding

the issue of children who have dropped out of school and they are at risk of dropping out. This initiative aims at promoting and overseeing the process of communication and reporting on children at risk of dropping out of school and out of school children.

Observatory for children's rights, an initiative of UNICEF and UN partners, has developed a mechanism that allows the collection of information on the regional level about the situation and children's rights.

As an active and integral part of civil society in each region, the Observatory cooperates with public and private actors in the process of systematic collection of data and issuing reports and relations information about children's rights, implementation of laws in this area and identify needs improvement.

The initiative "Out of school children"

In the framework of the initiative "Out of school children" is being monitored the process of implementing the Trilateral Ministerial Order (U3M) "On identification and registration in school all children of compulsory school age" in the Municipality of Durres.

In consultation with the working group were selected <u>10 pilot schools</u> in the Municipality of Durres for the monitoring of the implementation of U3M, which are: Bajram Curri 2, Bedrije Bebeziqi Democracy, Eftali Koci, Hasan Koci, Isuf Ferra, Kulle, Kushtrimi Freedom, New School, St. Zoot Xhafzotaj.

Achievements of the initiative for the period December 2015- February 2016

- ✓ Meeting with the network / working group to implement the commitments of the initiative.
- ✓ Publication of the Trilateral Ministerial Order (U3M) "On identification and registration in school of all children of compulsory school age" in Official Bulletin No. 202, dated 25 November 2015.

On Observatory for Children's Rights Website:

http://observator.org.al/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/Rr3M_ne_Fletoren_Zyrtare_nr202_25-Nentor-2015.pdf *On Publications Center Website*:

http://www.qbz.gov.al/botime/fletore_zyrtare/2015/PDF-2015/202-2015.pdf

- ✓ Training with representatives of pilot schools and other schools in Durres according the Guideline for monitoring out of school children and children at risk at dropping out of school."
- ✓ Promotion of communication between ministries and subordinate institutions to implement Trilateral Ministerial Order (U3M)
- ✓ Communication with MoH and MoIA to cross the lists of children of school age to enroll in the first class at the beginning of this school year- as one of the obligations of U3M.
- ✓ Training the representatives of RED/ EO in the entire country about the Guideline "On identification and registration in school all children of compulsory school age".
- ✓ Develop a training school manual on qualitative education "Ensuring regular attendance and performance of basic education for every child".
- ✓ Develop mentoring guidelines for best practices to be exchanged between different schools.
- ✓ Reflection of Guideline, which explains in details the roles and responsibilities of all stakeholders involved in this issue on the Ministries Website.
- ✓ The crossing of lists of children who must attend the first grade by the MoES from the sources: Schools;

Ministry of Internal Affairs;

Ministry of Health;

Fund Insurance Compulsory Health.

- ✓ List of indicators that will be generated in the EMIS system.
- ✓ Monitoring of the implementation of Trilateral Ministerial Order (U3M) in 10 pilot schools in Durres.

Engagements: March-April 2016

- Training of operating actors within the school for dropout children and out of school children.
- o Workshops with working groups and internal groups of school for the issue of out of school children.
- o Monitoring of the implementation of U3M from ministries and institutions.
- o National conference on out of school children.

List of Abbreviations

UNICEF United Nations Children Fund

UN United Nations

MoES Ministry of Education and Sport

MoH Ministry of Health

MPB Ministry of Interior Affairs
RED Regional Education Directory

EO Education Office

EMIS Education Management Information System

U3M Trilateral Ministerial Order



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