Key Factors for Building Successful Transnational Projects

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Who we are

The Center of Community Research and Action at the Universidad de Sevilla
Coalition for the Study of Health, Power and Diversity
The RoMOMatteR project

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What is the RoMOMatteR project?

- More than 100 Roma girls took part from Bulgaria, Romania and Spain, with the support of their families, communities and researchers
- Identified dreams and resources to envision their futures
- Created a network of diverse actors to support the dreams, expectations and goals of Roma girls
- Implemented advocacy actions to ask for the resources they need
- Connected with other Roma girls and women across Europe to transfer the knowledge to key actors

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How did we get here?

Key Factors
• Find allies in different countries, national-level, and local level
• Listen to the target community priorities
• After identifying the local level needs, re-map the relevant actors

Building and linking networks

Connected with existing policy/research networks

Built relationships with the community

Identified actors at the national and local level

How did we build the RoMOMatteR proposal?

Key Factors
• Technical support
• Look for partners with synergies in ways of doing, common priorities, complimentary skills/resources
• Build diverse partnerships (university-services-community)
• Very important to have partners that are rooted in the community and have real relationship with target communities
• Representation of all of Europe
What did we learn from implementing the RoMOMatteR project?

- Have a mechanism in place for a rapid response – COVID-19
- Flexible and willing to adapt without losing sight of mission
- Negotiate conflicting agendas or ways of working
- Discover the relevance of different partners
- Develop mechanisms of accountability and transparency
- Build opportunities at the national and local level for sustainability

Thank you very much!

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