

## Project Outputs

- \* Nationally in each partner country:
  - \* Report of the research data
  - \* Handbook for professional working in Residential Care
- \* Comparative report including research data of all partners
- \* International article based on the comparative report (By Helena Parkkila & Mervi Heikkinen)



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EMPOWERING  
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**EMPOWERING GIRLS IN RESIDENTIAL  
CARE AGAINST VIOLENCE AGAINST  
WOMEN**

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## Objectives of the project

- \* To increase knowledge on the prevalence and characteristic of experiences of violence and abuse against girls aged 14-18 in residential care and under the legal responsibility of public authorities in the EU.
- \* To empower the girls to protect and prevent themselves and their peer from violence against women.



## Specific objectives also include:

- \* Sensitization of professionals working with girls in residential care about the need to take into account a gender perspective when working with this target group.
- \* Raise awareness among decision-makers and civil servants in the EU.

## Research

### DATA COLLECTION FROM GIRLS LIVING IN RESIDENTIAL CARE

- \* Aim: Fieldwork research on the experiences of violence and abuse, perceptions of gender roles and intimate relationships, of 14-18 years old girls in residential care in Spain, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Italy and Finland.
- \* Data collection methods:
  - \* Individual interviews
  - \* Focus Groups
- \* Topics of the focus group:
  - \* Gender roles and stereotypes: differences between men and women, experiences of gender norms/restrictions in daily lives.
  - \* Close relationships and intimate relationships. Gender roles within them.

### DATA COLLECTION FROM PROFESSIONAL WORKING WITH MINOR GIRLS IN RESIDENTIAL CARE

- \* Aim: to gather professionals' perceptions, contributions and experience of working with girls.



## Empowering Programme for the girls

Will be based on the:

- \* Results of the research part
- \* Capability Approach by Martha Nussbaum

