

NEWSLETTER NR. 1

Empowering Integration and Well-being for Unaccompanied Minors



Project Duration

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Partnership Countries

Germany • Italy • Greece

Erasmus+ KA210-VET

Small-Scale Partnership

WELCOME TO EMBRACE UAM!

- EMBRACE UAM strengthens professional support systems for unaccompanied minors across Europe through peer learning, staff exchanges, mobility activities & best-practice sharing.
- The partnership brings together organisations from Germany, Italy & Greece working in shelters, integration services, youth work, education & psychosocial support systems.
- Since the beginning of the project, the consortium has implemented 2 international mobility activities focused on innovative approaches & transferable practices.

3 CORE OBJECTIVES

- 1 Strengthening trauma-sensitive & holistic support systems for unaccompanied minors.**
- 2 Promoting peer learning, staff mobility & transnational exchange of best practices.**
- 3 Supporting long-term integration through education, vocational orientation, psychosocial support & community participation.**



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ACTIVITY 1

PEER LEARNING & JOB SHADOWING IN ITALY

Rome, Italy | 19-23 January 2026

Hosted by Parsec Cooperativa Sociale

The first transnational mobility activity brought together 15 professionals from Germany, Italy & Greece to exchange trauma-sensitive and community-based approaches for supporting unaccompanied minors.

Participants visited reception facilities, attended workshops & exchanged practices with educators, psychologists, intercultural mediators, social workers & integration professionals.

MOBILITY HIGHLIGHTS

- 15 professionals participated
- 3 partner countries represented
- Site visits to UAM reception facilities
- Workshops on trauma-sensitive care
- Exchange with local stakeholders & institutions
- 5 transferable practices developed



VISITS & ACTIVITIES

- Colombi Reception Center for UAM
- Felix Community
- Semi-independent housing facilities
- Peer education systems
- Trauma management workshops
- Legal & psychosocial support discussions
- Stakeholder & institutional exchanges

ITALY PRACTICES

1. Active Family Communication & Reduction of Emotional Pressure: reducing stress, anxiety & unrealistic expectations experienced by minors.

2. Opening Reception Centers Toward Local Community: promoting interaction between reception facilities & local communities.

3. Peer Educators with Lived Experience: supporting communication, trust-building & empowerment.

4. Step-by-Step Transition Toward Autonomy: building supported housing, education & life-skills pathways.

5. Multidisciplinary & Holistic Reception Management: combining psychosocial support, healthcare, education, legal guidance & intercultural mediation.

ACTIVITY 2

PEER LEARNING & JOB SHADOWING IN GERMANY

Bochum, Germany | 04-08 May 2026

Hosted by Urbanes Kulturteam Ruhr gGmbH

The second mobility gathered 15 professionals from Germany, Italy & Greece and focused on early-stage integration, vocational orientation, language learning, community participation & interdisciplinary support systems.

MOBILITY HIGHLIGHTS

- Visits to integration & youth support initiatives
- Exchange with psychosocial & healthcare actors
- Focus on vocational orientation & language learning
- Interdisciplinary cooperation workshops
- 5 transferable approaches developed



GERMAN PRACTICES

- 1. Local Support Ecosystem:** cooperation between shelters, educational providers, municipalities & psychosocial services.
- 2. Vocational Orientation:** increasing motivation, structure, confidence & future perspectives.
- 3. Virtual Reality for Vocational & Language Learning:** immersive simulations supporting practical preparation.
- 4. Community Participation & Local Belonging:** neighbourhood engagement strengthening inclusion.
- 5. Interdisciplinary Understanding:** cooperation between legal, educational, healthcare & psychosocial actors.

WHAT'S NEXT?

1. International Staff Training Workshops - Germany | September 2026

Focus: trauma-informed & psychosocial support, educational inclusion, vocational orientation, intercultural communication, participation & diversity-sensitive methodologies.

2. Peer Learning & Observational Mobility Activity - Greece | September 2026

Hosted by ZEUXIS NGO, the final mobility will focus on observational learning, trauma-sensitive shelter systems, simulation-based learning & exchange of good practices.

3. National Roundtables & Conferences | Germany, Italy & Greece

Events will present project outcomes, strengthen stakeholder cooperation & raise awareness regarding holistic support for UAM.

PROJECT PARTNERS

- Urbanes Kulturteam Ruhr gGmbH (Germany)
- Parsec Cooperativa Sociale (Italy)
- ZEUXIS NGO (Greece)

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