



Project Progress Update

Over the last few months, the Ašun Me Project partners have been moving toward the next phase of youth empowerment and policy engagement. Following the publication of the Transnational Mapping Report and the launch of our Cooperation Workshops, all partners have now finalised their activities under Work Package 2. The findings from this Work Package helped to shape the design and contents of the blended Training Programme and Arts Toolkit under Work Package 3. This period has marked a significant step forward in strengthening collaboration between Roma youth, youth workers, and policymakers.

Community Outreach

As the project progresses, partners are ensuring wide dissemination, increased visibility and engagement among Roma communities, youth organisations, local stakeholders, and policymakers.

To date, we have already engaged over 9,000 individuals through our face-to-face, media-based and online dissemination activities.

Cooperation Workshops

Between July and September 2025, all partner organisations delivered Cooperation Workshops designed to pilot the Ašun Me Methodology Manual and bring Roma youth and youth workers together through guided dialogue, trust-building, and policy-oriented exercises. Across the consortium, partners engaged 108 young Roma and youth workers in this phase.

Across X cities in Romania, Greece, Spain, Germany, North Macedonia and Ireland. Workshop themes included:

- Shared understanding of community challenges
- Policy-mapping and identifying entry points
- Storytelling and lived experience as advocacy tools
- Building confidence for engaging with institutions

Feedback collected across partner countries demonstrated that these Workshops empowered participants, ultimately strengthening collaboration between Roma Youth and Youth Workers.

Training Programme and Artistic Toolkit

At present, project partners are working on developing and finalising the Training Programme and Artistic Toolkit for Roma Youth. These resources comprise blended learning training and materials that blend civic education, advocacy, political participation and filmmaking. The resources adopt a non-formal learning approach, accompanied by practical exercises and digital tools that young people can apply in real-life advocacy settings.

Online Meetings

Throughout the project, partners continue to meet monthly to review progress, coordinate upcoming activities, and ensure strong collaboration across all work packages. These meetings provide a space to share updates, address challenges, and maintain a consistent, high-quality approach to supporting Roma youth participation and advocacy.



What's Next?

The next phase of the project will focus on turning into action through artistic advocacy and policy engagement activities, including, a Blended Training for Roma Youth, an Artistic Toolkit on producing short documentaries, Documentary creation workshops in each partner country, Digital Round tables connecting youth with policy makers, policy brief booklet compilation and the submission of 18 Policy Change Proposals to strengthen National Roma Integration Strategies. These activities will support young Roma in expressing their voices, using documentary-making as a vehicle for systemic change and positioning themselves as active participants in democratic life.

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