

Promoting Tolerance and Dialogue Across Communities: Outcomes of the BOND Project

The BOND project (Building Tolerance, Understanding, and Dialogue across Communities) has achieved significant milestones in fostering interfaith and intercultural understanding in Europe. This European Union-funded initiative addresses deep-seated prejudices and antisemitism while promoting inclusivity and dialogue among diverse communities.

The project conducted in-depth research on **antisemitism in Hungary, Italy, Romania, and Poland** to confront its persistent and evolving nature and its intersections with other forms of intolerance. By **educating young people and teachers**, BOND cultivates awareness and critical thinking, **building a network of informed individuals committed to combating hate and promoting tolerance**. This research, encompassing desk and field studies on topics such as antisemitic stereotypes, COVID-19-related antisemitism, and political antisemitism, culminated in **four national reports and one comprehensive report**.

Key outcomes of the project include advancing **understanding of antisemitism and its links to other forms of intolerance**. A youth education event in Warsaw, along with related activities, heightened awareness of antisemitism and Jewish history among students and educators. Students improved their ability to counter misinformation and prejudice, while teachers gained localized resources via the iWitness program and the BOND website. The project also facilitated the formation of a growing network of stakeholders committed to combating antisemitism and fostering tolerance.

To further its impact, the BOND project developed an **educational curriculum and training materials** aimed at equipping high school educators with the **tools to teach about antisemitism**, Jewish history, and the Holocaust. This curriculum is particularly vital in addressing the recent surge in antisemitism following the October 7 terror attack in Israel. It empowers educators to engage with these sensitive topics effectively and professionally within their national educational systems.

Additionally, the project launched an **Online Museum to preserve and celebrate the heritage of Jewish and Roma communities in Europe**. Featuring an interactive map, photographs, and exhibitions, this digital initiative promotes awareness and dialogue across generations, ensuring that the stories and contributions of these communities continue to inspire and educate.

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