

HEAL

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CAME TO AN END

HEAL - EnHancing rEcovery and integrAtion through networking, employment training and psychological support for women victims of trafficking -

is a project that facilitated the integration of third country national women victims of trafficking (TCN VoT) for sexual exploitation. To achieve this objective, it developed and delivered the Recovery and Integration Programme targeted to empower TCN women victims of trafficking in Italy, Greece, Spain and Romania.

RI-TRATTI FESTIVAL: FROM ONESELF  
TO THE OTHERS

On September 23 and 24, 2021, the International House of Women in Rome hosted the RI-TRATTI Festival: from oneself for the others.

The Festival celebrated the courage and experience of the protagonists of the HEAL project by focusing on fanzines as a motor for discussion on the global phenomenon of human trafficking, insisting on the need to improve services for psychological support and work inclusion of surviving women, so that they can orient and plan their future.

The registration of the conference and open discussion can be viewed on the HEAL Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/HEALprojectEU>

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A two-day festival held:

- **the summer school "RI-TRATTI experiences"** for professionals, employers and representatives of women survivors of trafficking from Italy, Greece, Spain and Romania where they shared their experiences and discussed about the more effective support for the social and labour integration of women survivors;
- **fanzines workshop** where the participants had a chance to tell their own stories and share dreams through fanzines;
- **opening of the fanzines exhibition** bringing 43 fanzines developed by HEAL protagonists across partner countries;
- international conference "European commitment for psychological support and employment of women survivors of trafficking" with well renowned speakers from Italy and Europe;
- **open discussion with Luigi Ciotti** (President of Libera contro le mafie and Gruppo Abele) and **Osas Egbon** (President of Donne di Benin City)

## RESULTS OF THE PROJECT

### EUROPEAN ANTHOLOGY OF THE BEST PRACTICES AND FUTURE RECOMMENDATIONS

It summarises the good practices, challenges and the results of local and transnational networking, and provides **recommendations to ensure long-term communication and collaboration** between relevant actors and the cover of women survivors of trafficking needs.

### TOOLKIT FOR PSYCHOLOGICAL SUPPORT SESSION “FANZINES AND COPING WITH TRAUMA”

It guides experts and stakeholders, namely support service providers, in their **support to women during the healing process** after traumatic experiences related to trafficking.

### MULTIDISCIPLINARY EMPLOYABILITY TRAINING MATERIAL

It is developed to support third-country-national women survivors of trafficking with knowledge and skills in **employability and entrepreneurship**.

### FANZINES BOOK

It is a collection of **43 fanzines** that were created by women survivors of trafficking across 4 countries (Italy, Greece, Spain and Romania).

### YOUR CAREER PATH DATABASES

"Your career path" platform is a **job search platform** allowing to match skills of job seekers to local demands, and managed by support service providers who agreed to take over the management and coordination of the platform across the partner countries.

You can access the platform here <https://yourcareerpath.eu/>

## EXPERIENCES

“Women believed that it was a **successful opportunity** for them to identify and develop their skills and transfer them to the labour market. As for main strengths, they highlighted the opportunity to **exchange their experiences with other women**, who are at different moments of their processes, and also the chance to raise awareness of their labour rights.” (Spain)

“The psychologist developed an atmosphere of **empathy and a safe space** in order to make women feel secure and capable to open up about their aspirations for the future. Artistic and digital aspects were combined for the creation of the fanzines, contributing to the **development of women’s technological skills.**”(Greece)

“Unexpectedly, the participants wanted to continue the creating the fanzines, even after the closure of the Group; some of them have discovered **artistic skills** related to the narration of a story; Someone else began to think about their **"desires"** for the first time, also asking for **individual advice** from the psychologist.” (Italy)

B. was participating in the art-therapy and employability groups and her baby boy was present at all activities, too. Now, B. and her baby boy are living in a rented studio. B. works as a waiter in a restaurant in the centre of Bucharest and was accepted at the University of Bucharest, Faculty of IT Management. B. is **financially independent**, so her son stays at a nursery while she works. Most importantly, B. has **made friends** with the groups organized within the HEAL project and she has a multicultural social support group.” (Romania)

You can download all resources here <https://healproject.eu/resources/>

