

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

The *Social Activities and Practices Institute* is a Bulgarian non-governmental organisation, working for more than 12 years to guarantee respect for the rights of children in Bulgaria by participating in child and family-related policy development, providing social services for children and families, developing and implementing programs and activities for vocational training, and providing methodological support and supervision for professionals from the child protection system and violence prevention field.

In 2008, SAPI launched a Resilience Resource Center, with the financial support of the OAK Foundation /Bulgaria/. The RRC chiefly focuses on training trainers on integrating the resilience approach in the helping professions – social and psychological services, teaching, educating. With that, the Center issues Resilience-based manuals and information materials for parents and professionals, as well as provides: supervisions for professionals by Bulgarian and international consultants; translation and dissemination of literature relating to resilience; description of good practices in social work, caseworks in which the resilience approach has been applied, etc. Thanks to the work of the RRC, in Bulgaria there is now an established network of experts from NGOs and governmental structures that successfully apply the resilience approach, both in the direct work and in professional training.

Within project “Bientraitance – Network of Resilience”, realised with the financial support of the OAK Foundation, SAPI will support the establishment of Resilience Resource Centers in Latvia and Moldova, from September 01st 2014 to 31 August 2015, in order to support deinstitutionalisation in Latvia and Moldova. The project envisages an introductory training on resilience conducted by a SAPI trainer and by the international project consultant for representatives of local NGOs in the two countries; translation and adaptation of manuals for professionals and parents, based on the resilience approach, as well as other resilience-related materials. The general objective of the RRCs is enhancing the capacity of professionals from the helping professions in Moldova and Latvia to use the resilience approach in the process of deinstitutionalisation of care and services for children.

SAPI launches a Call for proposals for a small project for the establishment of RRC in Moldova and Latvia. The maximum funding provided is **€ 4345 /four thousand three hundred forty five euro/**. Applicants are required to prepare a concept note for the

establishment of a Resilience Resource Center no later than **30 April 2014**. The concept note shall describe in no more than 5 pages the experience of the Applicant organisation on guaranteeing respect for the rights of children and providing services for children and families in the last year, as well as the vision of the organisation for establishing and stabilizing the activity of the RRC during the project implementation period /01.09.2014 – 31.08.2015/, and afterwards. The concept note shall include a draft budget proposal for the implementation of this grant. **Costs for the training by international experts as well as translation and printing of materials for professionals, are provided by SAPI and should not be included in the project budget.**

Requirements for the organizations applying for this call:

- **NGOs** registered under national law no later than **1st June 2013**
- **NGOs** having at least 1 year of experience in the provision of social services for children and families, guarantee respect for the rights of children and/ or supporting the deinstitutionalisation process
- **Organisations** with 3 or more experts – psychologists, social workers or educators, with 3-year experience or more in the above areas, as well as 40-hour or more experience as trainers. CVs in Europass format should be provided.

The concept note and budget proposal for this competition procedure should be submitted by April 30, 2014 to SAPI at the following email address: sapi@abv.bg .