



**Minutes of First FEFI work seminar
Finding Education for Female Inmates
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Date of meeting: 29.9.-30.9.2014

Meeting location: Hotel Cumulus Hämeenlinna and Hämeenlinna Prison, Finland

Participants: See list

Minute taker: Partner Finland

Aims of the meeting

- **Presentation of questionnaire survey**
- **Creating procedures for new practices in female inmate's educational matters enhancing their life-skills and aiming for crime-free future**
- **Planning of the next steps of FEFI-project**

Issues discussed

- **Survey's results. Results have been put up by FEFI-partner Malta in digital format for easy access for participants.**
- **Q1**
- **The total number of responses received was 439. Some of the questions have been skipped by at least a few respondents, in some cases by as many as ten-fifteen. That number does not pose a problem, though, as the number of answers exceeds 400 in every question (excludes questions where the type of a prison or some limitative reason determined whether an answer was needed).**
- **Most respondents had a home or at least a place in an institution, only about 4 % claimed to be homeless.**
- **20.5 % claimed to be in a need of social support groups**
- **Almost 50 % of inmates were serving sentences of at least five years, about 20 % were serving nine years to life.**
- **64.9 % needed help in substance abuse or mental health problems**
- **40 % were interested in educational activities, about the same number was interested in working.**
- **41 % were not taking part in any educational prison activities**
- **40.8 % were participating just to get out of cell**
- **52.1 % were taking part in educational prison activity in the hope for a better life**
- **28.7 % were not interested in educational prison activities**
- **30.3 % thought that conditions for studying in prison were poor**
- **64.4 % saw education in general as very valuable**
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- **One important issue to tackle is the ways inmates can be reached, as only just over 30 % replied to have received information about activities in prison.**
- **Choosing of samples: Turkey: random, in high security ward 50-60 inmates refused to take part, some refused. This issue will be asked from all the partners and answers will be added later.**
- **Q2**
- **Total number of responses 132, reading of results must be careful; proper analysis must be done at country-level.**
- **63.5 % think that education in prison is a strategically important**
- **50 % think though that the offered programs do not meet the real needs of female inmates**
- **62.3 % think that prison does offer proper facilities for education**
- **More personal aid was seen as needed by 90 % of respondents (n=82)**
- **It is important to make decisions to compare specific question against specific questions to get proper results**
- **All the questionnaires must be handed over by 5.10.2014!!! That deadline is definite and cannot be moved forward. Server's contract runs out on the 6th of October.**
- **No new surveys are needed, so send only any remaining already filled questionnaires.**
- **AFTER PRISON VISITS: short summary of the visits (write down from the group work sheets!)**
- **No more info concerning surveys: how the inmates were chosen, specific questions what to compare with what**
- **Take the information from drop box and go from there**
- **How were the samples to chosen, link the interview with the prison,**
- **Results to Ministries, network**
- **What is the final outcome of report, what do we do with it?**
- **Nov Dec tryouts in certain countries, trying out something smaller scale, then choose**
- **Brainstorming, what kind of actions to proceed**

2ND DAY:

WP7: Management

- **next FEFI-steps-overview**
- **communication /code of conduct / deadlines**
- **progress report Nov.**
- **meeting dates Turkey, Italy, final meeting**

wp1-Finland/State of the art
wp2-Malta/Creating procedures and new practices
wp3-Malta/Experimentation of new procedures-start to test after FI-meeting, seminar in TU
wp4-Gerany/Recommendations for implementation
wp5-France/Quality assurance
wp6/Publication and—
wp//Management

Dropbox: not allowed to use: BE, TU, FR, IT, FI

- **finding possibilities to share the material via webpages, take the documents from drop box and find a solution to share the info**
- **communication was ok**

Skype: should be possible to all

Phone: possible to all but TU (you can call TU), Daniela complicated to call

Code of Conduct

- what if there are problems, what to do when things don't go how agreed**
- no reports/no money**

Progress report Nov

- public and confidential**

IRIS will ask information from partners

Country reports by 31.10.

Contract each person listed

Meetings:

TURKEY Jan 29-30, 2015

ITALY Jun 18-19, 2015 or 25-26

Final meeting videoconference Sep 2015, 2hours conf./100 guests ea

- 2 persons of each partner will travel to another partner country

- **tue or thu best days to arrange, best date thu 24.9.2015 – each will check and confirm the date is ok**
- **11-13 CY,TU,FI**
- **10-12 others**
- **CHECK the facilities, rooms, videoconf, possibilities, tests, etc.??**

DOMINIQUE

Dissemination

- **Mainz did a press release, radio interview**
- **BE did intranet**
- **Send a screen print / copy of the press release to Dominique, if you know the viewers of intranet mention it with that, remember the FEFI-logo in intranet**

Mailing list started 2008, 450 names already

- **Dominique asks contacts who could be interested about fefi-info (teacher, om, media, etc)**
- **Send logo to Dominique**
- **Int'l day of Educ. In Prison Oct. 13th, 2014-09-29**

PHOTOS:

Web-pages Gallery: two categories “internal” and “official”

Facebook: we agreed NOT to publish any photos in Facebook

Documentation:

Weblink: interesting links, int'l library for women, work that has been done for female inmates

Summary: copy of the application, later the interim reports, public part

Partnership: list of all partners

Kick-off presentations: all the partner presentations collected (Iris asks the presentations again) and also the photos of the cork-boards

Tools: feedback forms, different phases on the project the collected feedback Reports

Events: seminars and final conference, European events/National events.

WEBSITE: Dominique starts uploading info – webp. Will be ready in January

Dominique will check if FEFI-partners could have codes to get in to webpages to see all that is there even the pages are under process

Glossaries: translations with the mention that not authorized

-when we hear a new word we put it in a glossary and then everybody will translate it in glossary.

Brainstorming ...

Go back to your own country and compare the q's what you want to compare