

ROMACT JP- Building capacity at local level for the integration of Roma

- 136 municipalities in Bulgaria and Romania since 2013
- local solutions by local people for local needs.
- 4 steps: 1) becoming committed, 2) agreeing on needs & plans, 3) translating priorities into measures and projects, 4) funding, implementing and monitoring.

- Vulnerable citizens empowerment
 - Over 6000 persons trained or coached
 - 92 Local Action Plans for Roma inclusion developed and 69 adopted by the Local Council
- Capacity building & expertise provision for local authorities and relevant stakeholders
 - Approx 25,000€/year/municipality
 - 183 project proposals submitted
 - 114 projects approved
 - Over 140 millions € generated

- Small Grants Scheme
 - 76 small grants for immediate priorities of Roma communities
- Evidence based support to local and national authorities
 - 12 guidelines and reports on the barriers encountered in the implementation of certain rules and regulations in practice

- ROME ACT brings concrete results in the municipalities where there is **political will and commitment** from the side of the local authorities to implement the **process in a participatory manner** by involving Roma and other people from marginalised communities.