

#### Blind Assistance Foundation - Poland







# About us

Blind Assistance Foundation is a Polish non-governmental organization established in 1992. Its activity covers the whole area of Poland.

Foundation occupies with social and work rehabilitation for blind and partially sighted. The aim of the foundation is to help blind children and youth with problems i.e. education, health care, or rehabilitation.

We carry out both national and foreign projects and organize meetings with representatives of this group of people.





In 2004 – 2005 the Foundation was running 2 projects concerning violence against women, entitled "STOP VIOLENCE – BLIND WOMEN KNOW THEIR RIGHTS AS WELL.". For the last two years of its activity it was organising educational seminars and has published an informative booklet on violencerelated issues, their legal aspects.







In years 2005/2006 Foundation was a partner in Socrates Programme (Grundtvig 2 Action) "Education for counteracting HIV/AIDS". The main aim of the project was to create universal, clear, easy to make syllabus called "Education for counteracting HIV/AIDS" which will be for adults who can be HIV/AIDS prevention instructors. The aim was being realized by making possibilities to exchange knowledge, experience, best practices and creating the syllabus about HIV/AIDS prevention.

In 2006/2007 we were a coordinator of Socrates Programme/Grundtvig 2 project , "Traditional and modern methods of teaching foreign languages to blind people".

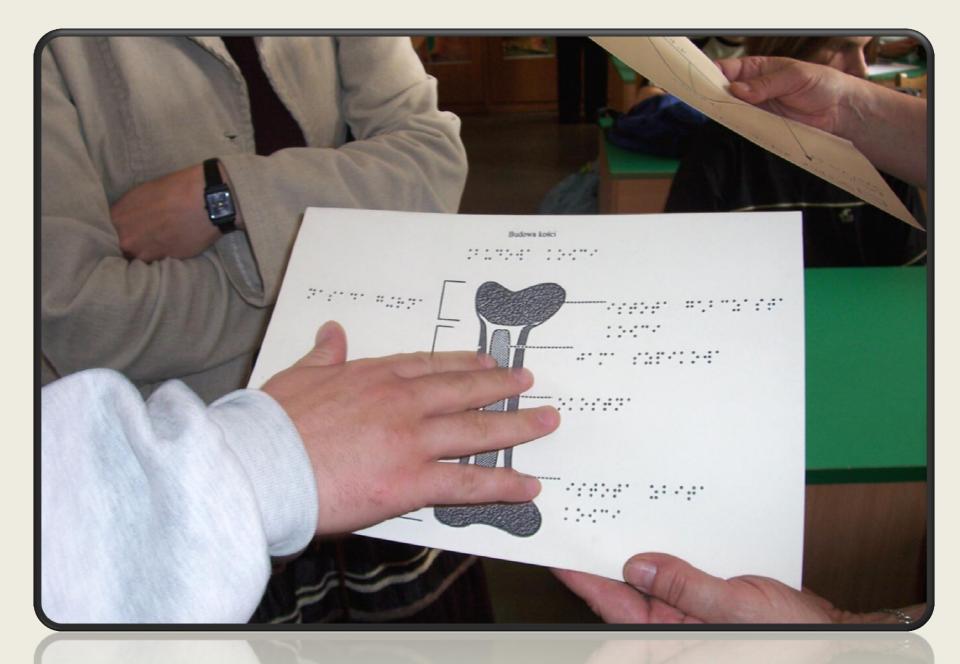
The goal of the project was to ensure high-quality and effective methods of teaching foreign languages to visually impaired people. We were going to achieve the goal by comparing the methods of teaching foreign languages in several partner countries and by taking advantage of their best experience.



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**From October 2007** we were a partner in Daphne II project "Ways of implementing the EU directives on Violence against Children, Young People and Women: good practices and recommendations". The project aims was: to evaluate the legislation about violence against women, children and youth in Ten New Member States before the start of the negotiation process for EU enlargement.



**From 2007 – 2009** we were a partner in a Lifelong Learning Programme GRUNDTVIG PROJECT : "Creating Hope - Growing Potential". The project was promoting environmental awareness using creative activities to develop personal skills and aptitudes that assist in overcoming the personal and social isolation and alienation of many of the participants.













From 2008 – 2010 we were a partner in another Lifelong Learning Programme GRUNDTVIG PROJECT: "Look at yourself - parents toward situations causing aggression".

The aim of this project was parents education in scale of the aggression prevention. The effect of activities was preparing an Educational Workshop for parents - the collection ways of coping with own aggression.



From 2009-2011 we were a partner in Lifelong Learning Programme – Grundtvig project: "ARE WE MASTERS OR SLAVES OF TIME?" The partnership brings an original and creative approach of TIME in order to:

- identify and resolve needs related to time management of tasks,

- develop personal skills and aptitudes,

 promote awareness for learners and staff of cultural differences relating to various time dimensions,

-follow common stages from analysis to imagination and creativity.

The partnership will create relevant material as best practices to be converted into action and work programmes to be exchanged and disseminated.











SXX Blind Art!

In 12-20 of August 2010 we coordinated in Wieliczka/Cracow the youth exchange: "Blind art!" 2010 – "Youth in Action" Programme. There were 10 participants from Poland and 10 from Romania. The aim of the project was to enable the blind and partially blind people to access culture and art. During the exchange participants got to know and compare life and rights of the disabled in the two countries. The project connected youth in work focused on understanding the blind. Young and creative people created and presented a short theatre performance prepared specifically for blind and partially sighted people. This way participants had a chance to practice their theatre skills and to prepare an innovation project on playing with colors, sounds and other senses.



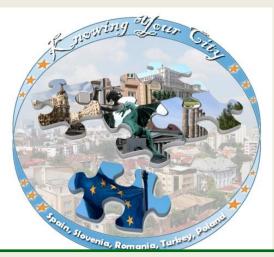












From September 2010 we started a partnership in project Lifelong Learning Programme GRUNDTVIG PROJECT entited **"Knowing your city".** The aim is to promote the konwledge of the involved city, create activities to develop social, cultural competences.

The final aim is to develop competences proposing young people to became tourist guides.







### Project meeting in Madrid 2010



## 2011-2013

From September 2011 we started a partnership in project Lifelong Learning Programme GRUNDTVIG PROJECT entited *"Lifestyles* **Revisited (Educational Experiments in IG Environments)**".

The project brings together partners who, in their particular contexts and in their learning / teaching practises, have to cope with practical educational issues involving persons of several generations. It aims at breaking the perception barriers that might become obstacles to cooperation between these people.

We enjoy to participate in it!

