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**WE PROMOTE THE RIGHT TO REHABILITATION
OF VICTIMS OF TORTURE AND THE RESPECT
FOR HUMAN RIGHTS**

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Introduction

ICAR Foundation is a non-governmental, non-profit organization established in 1992 by Dr. Camelia Doru with the support of 19 members. During its 23 years of activity the organization developed continuously and found resources to meet the needs of its beneficiaries. At the time of the establishment of the organization the medical services were provided by the founder alone. Today, ICAR has a network of 6 outreach offices all over the country and a team of more than 25 professionals covering various fields: medical, psychological, social, legal, and educational. There are more than 30 partnerships - 20 with international organisations or professional networks. Close collaboration is maintained with CVT Minneapolis, Italian Council for Refugees, German Association of Centres for Refugees and torture victims, Dignity Institute –Denmark, EURONET, IRCT, International Center for Health and Human Rights - UK. Dozens of projects and programmes with national and international funding have been implemented over those years through which thousands of people have been assisted.

Brief history

Since its legal registration in 1992, ICAR focused on providing free medical, psychological, social and legal assistance to those who, for political reasons, experienced the harsh repression of totalitarian regimes. ICAR Foundation is the first and also the only organization in Romania that has set out and implemented such a program. The Foundation helped the establishment of three rehabilitation centers in Romania, one in Bucharest (opened in 1993), one in Iași (opened in 1995) and one in Craiova (opened in 1998). The centers, started by offering a various range of rehabilitation services to victims of serious human rights abuses (such as arrest, condemnations on political, ethnical or religious ground, deportation, exploitation, extermination in concentration camps, torture, inhuman or degrading treatments) among former political prisoners and their immediate families located in the proximity of the centers.

From 2002 ICAR Foundation has extended its target population to refugees and asylum seekers, survivors of gross human rights violations in their country of origin. For this purpose collaboration protocols were signed with the relevant national authorities such as Romanian Immigration Office (ORI), United Nation High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), local authorities and institutions. An office in the Bucharest refugee reception and accommodation centre was opened where the staff and volunteers are organizing activities for asylum seekers and refugees living there. Outreach offices in the reception and accommodation centres of the Romanian Immigration Offices opened in 2010 throughout the country: Bucharest, Galati, Giurgiu, Radauti, Timisoara and Somcuta Mare are operational according to the financial situation.

Since 2009 close cooperation with the Association "21 of December" started with the view of developing programmes for victims of severe human rights abuses among survivors of anti-communist revolution in 1989.

In 2015 the organisation continued the implementation of the projects dedicated to migrants: "ICAR – Resource and services Center for migrants" financed through the EEA Grants and "iCARE 2- Further Development of Interdisciplinary Care and Assistance to Romanians and Exiles" financed by the European Commission - DG Home.

Objectives

- Recognition of and gratitude to the survivors of gross human rights violations for their standing attitude for democracy, rule of law and freedom through creation and access to comprehensive rehabilitation services.
- Promotion of victims' and their families' right to medical and psychological rehabilitation, to moral, legal and social redress, including financial compensations.
- Contribution to the life standard of primary and secondary victims of gross human rights violations among former political prisoners, refugees, asylum seekers and other groups of migrants through provision of comprehensive rehabilitation packages.
- Support to activities of prevention of human rights violations and of awareness raising concerning their consequences.

Services/Programme

Medical

The first kind of services provided by ICAR were the medical services. Currently, the medical assistance that ICAR Foundation offers to its target groups includes both general and specialised rehabilitation services (e.g. psychiatry, physiotherapy, cardiology, internal medicine, urology, kinethotherapy, odontology, paediatrics, laboratory investigations). For medical specialties that are not offered as in-house services ICAR refers its patients to its medical local network.

The target groups include Romanian victims of communism repression, refugees and asylum seekers, as well as other categories of migrants in Romania (third country nationals). The type and frequency of medical assistance depends on client, pathology and symptoms, resulting in periodic needs assessments/ basic medical check-up to clients who need constant care.

In 2015 the medical staff at ICAR's rehabilitation centres registered over consultations, general and specialised at both its own cabinets and externally.

External services

For elderly victims home visits are taking place, especially when their mobility is reducing. Contacts with family members or other care givers are important for providing guidance and support in their daily work, follow-up on treatment, adjustments, referrals.

The aim is to improve the care - with direct impact on clients' health status- and also to maintain alive the external network, easy to alert in case of

crisis or emergency. There are also home visits for terminal patients that are very important for the family members in need of professional and emotional support.

Arrangements for access to nursing homes are also provided to beneficiaries without any (surviving) family members, caregivers or close friends.

Information program for migrants on Health/Prevention

For different categories of migrants is crucially important to have basic knowledge regarding the healthy life style, healthy food, clean environment, including personal hygiene rules as well as within family and community.

Maintaining a good health status helps increase their self-esteem and confidence as well as the success of job applications, promotion and integration. Information sessions about oral care, hair care, wound care, cleansing of personal utensils were delivered. Family planning sessions, prevention of common infectious diseases were presented in simple, accessible manner. The benefit of respecting basic rules and standards for a healthy environment (collection, selection and storage of garbage, clean water etc.) in Romania are also explained during the sessions.

Psychological

The clients' need for mental health assistance may be initially detected by the general practitioners but any of other staff working in the health area may refer the victims to be assessed and to receive appropriate psycho-therapeutic assistance from ICAR's psychiatrists and psychologists.

The psychological counsellors working in the refugee accommodation and reception centres provide psychosocial support sessions and conduct screening and needs assess-

ment of inhabitants of the centres at their place or at ICAR premises.

Throughout 2015 ICAR's specialists offered psychological counselling sessions and psychotherapy for asylum seekers and refugees all over Romania: Bucharest, Galati, Giurgiu, Radauti, Somcuta Mare and Timisoara accommodation and reception centers.



Evaluation of traumatic consequences of anti-Communist fights (1990- 1999)

The program is investigating the consequences of extremely violent events on civilians (direct participants or surviving family members) opposing the communists taking over the power after 1989. The victims of the violent clashes with the state representatives (gendarmes, policemen, soldiers, radicalised civilian groups) have been incarcerated, tortured, injured or killed. The most severe confrontations between civilians' groups, incipient civil-wars known as "Mineriade" took place repeatedly between 1990-1999.

More than 120 victims among direct participants and their family members were identified and subjected to various investigations to determine the traumatic consequences - both somatic and psychological - of the violent political events and the need for therapeutic intervention. [Some of the medical evaluations performed by ICAR specialists were included in the applications submitted to the European Court of Human Rights in Strasbourg by the Association "21 of December 1989".](#)

So far there are 3 big files (with 184 applicants) with final decisions issued by the ECHR in 2015:

1. AFFAIRE ACATRINEI ET AUTRES c. ROUMANIE
2. AFFAIRE BOȘNIGEANU ET AUTRES c. ROUMANIE
3. AFFAIRE ALECU ET AUTRES c. ROUMANIE

For cases with medical evaluation of torture [consequences in the motivation of the decision the jury included quotations from ICAR's medical and psychological certificates demonstrating the value of these documents for the court.](#)

Professional supervision and intervision

For rehabilitation staff working both in the 6 reception and accommodation centers (for asylum seekers) and in the rehabilitation centers in Craiova and Bucharest (for Romanian victims of political repression), periodic individual and group sessions were conducted by the ICAR senior psychologist, on-site and via telephone/ web in order to ensure the quality of services provided.

Social assistance

The social rehabilitation program includes social needs assessments, social interventions, social counselling, social events and aim at establishing a support network for the beneficiaries in order to prevent their marginalization, isolation and stigmatization and contribute to the integration.

Among the activities performed in 2015: social counseling, social assistance, cultural orientation sessions for the refugees and asylum seekers, educational and cultural orientation sessions; food transportation from the social canteen to old beneficiaries' homes, support in home chores, errands

and basic shopping for former political prisoners, etc. Also, the clients were invited and involved in different events organized by the centres throughout the year (Halloween, Chirtmas, 1st and 8th March, Easter, Refugee Day, UN Day for Victims of Torture, Romanian national day 1st of December, etc). Of great popularity were the visits to museums, sport competitions, intercultural activities.

The senior club

Through periodic and ad hoc meeting of elderly victims with traumatic past, detection of some degree of cognitive impairment (e.g. reduction in capacities such as memory, attention or learning) is observed. This allows early diagnosis of possible neurodegenerative diseases and prevention of cognitive decline. The main expected results of this

activity: prolonging independent living, slowing down the cognitive decline, strengthening group support, empowerment of victims of torture family members.

Legal assistance

Legal counselling

Romanian clients are benefiting from legal counselling on issues related to their civil rights, within domestic laws dedicated to persons persecuted during the communist rule, deportation, forced labor and extermination camps (to remote areas, Black Sea Canal, uranium and lead mines, etc.).

Specific topics of interest:

- ⇒ Changes in domestic law with consequences on physical and psychological well-being, social welfare, financial situation – fiscal facilities, obligations, level of allowance, legal and administrative procedures designed to provide justice and reparation.
- ⇒ Information regarding the progress for Victims of communism Commemoration day, establishment of the Communism museum in Bucharest and in Ramnicu-Sarat prison (as promised for many years and systematically high jacked by politicians during the elections years).
- ⇒ Universal / international human rights instruments mechanism (e.g. Basic Principles and Guidelines on the Right to a Remedy and Reparation, Convention on the Non-Applicability of Statutory Limitations).

Clients among asylum seekers/refugees have a modest level of knowledge and understanding of asylum procedures mainly due to the language barriers and limited access to information. Translation in various languages of the legal information that was prepared prior to the legal counselling sessions contributed a lot to the improvement of the situation.

Main topics of legal counselling:

- ⇒ Appropriate counselling regarding the asylum law in Romania,
- ⇒ Information and proceeding on financial aid for asylum seekers. Information regarding their rights in relation to the asylum procedure in both administrative and judicial phase,
- ⇒ Dublin procedure,
- ⇒ Legal counseling regarding different benefits for single parent - social assistance from local authorities,
- ⇒ Referrals for specialized psychological evaluations in order to document the sequels of torture for the judicial phase of the asylum procedure,
- ⇒ Any other information regarding the integration process, citizenship, country legislation on education, labor market, private business, health system, minimum revenue, banking system etc.

The legal assistance was provided both individually and/or in organized groups, as the situation required. In several cases, the asylum seekers assisted received a form of protection during the administrative procedure. The beneficiaries' countries of origin were: Ukraine, Syria, Somalia and Afghanistan.

Strategic litigation

During 2015 ICAR continued to implement litigation activities with the view of testing the Romanian judicial system capacity to properly deal with national and international legislation concerning reparation. As a short list of torturers was published by the Institute for Investigation of Communism crimes, a new opportunity for litigation activity of ICAR in assisting its clients to the court appeared.

The request of ICAR foundation to become part of the torturer Ion Ficior penal case was accepted.



I do hope that these cases are just a beginning, because they are the last tools of a system which devised a repressive strategy and policies, which were implemented. I am interested more in the top of the pyramid than in Visinescu and Ficior being convicted because that is where there was a murder laboratory which needs to be decrypted and, to the same extent, [those working there] punished.

**Camelia Doru,
Founder & President of ICAR Foundation**

Medical certification

In 2015 ICAR continued to issue medical certificates for both somatic and psychiatric/psychological consequences of torture and other cruel, inhuman and degrading treatment or punishment suffered by asylum seekers in their country of origin. The medical examinations were requested by the asylum seekers' lawyers, other NGOs or even by the Court itself in some cases. The reports issued were then used as evidence to support the asylum seekers case in court.

Some asylum seekers selected from the outreach offices traveled to Bucharest to undergo the necessary evaluation/investigations and obtain the certificates.

Victims of the after-revolution events in Romania continued to request medical certificates from ICAR specialists to be included in the court files submitted to the ECHR in Strasbourg.

The way in which a society integrates migrants can be measured by various sophisticated tools. Sometimes, this assessment comes from those who you least expect, with an undisputable credibility and accuracy: children. One of the colleagues I met in Bergen told us that, when he asked his son Bjorg, where his friend and classmate Muhammad was from, he received a prompt answer: «from Bergen». Both Bjorg, the blond boy with blue eyes, and Muhammad, his friend with black eyes and dark skin, are Norwegians. This episode says a lot about what happens in a country which puts in a serious effort to integrate migrants and about how mentalities change from one generation to another. It is obvious that the 10-year-old son exceeded his father, showing that migrant integration is possible.

Dr. Camelia Doru

Clients profile



In 2015 ICAR offered services to Romanian victims of the communist regime, refugee and asylum seekers escaping repressive regimes in their countries of origin, as well as people coming from countries outside the European Union for family reunification, study, work or other activities (third country nationals).

The main countries of origin of the asylum seekers and refugees assisted by ICAR in 2015 were: Syria, Afghanistan, Iraq, Ethiopia. Most third country nationals who benefitted from services at ICAR during 2015 came from Syria, Iraq, Jordan, Turkey and Palestine.



Projects implemented/under implementation:**„The Path to Reconciliation”****(1th of April 2015 - 31st of March 2017)**

The project - implemented in partnership with organizations from Austria (*Omega*), Germany (*Exilio*), Slovenia (*Slovene Philantrophy*) and Croatia (*RCT Zagreb*) and financed by the European Commission - aims to create a multi-professional system to help victims of torture become again active members of their community. The goal is to multidisciplinary assist 30 victims of torture in Romania.

**„Contribution to the living standard of asylum seekers in Romania” (May - June 2015)**

The project aimed at improving the living standard of asylum seekers (both in the reception and accommodation centers of the Immigration authorities and outside of these centers) with special emphasis on the needs of vulnerable people.

174 asylum seekers all over the country received packages containing food, clothes, hygiene products, etc according to their age and gender.

„ICAR - Resource and services center for migrants” (1st of May 2015 - 30th of April 2016)

funded by EEA Grants 2009-2014 through the NGO Fund in Romania. The project aimed to respond to the uncovered need for basic and social services among vulnerable migrants (asylum seekers, refugees, non EU-nationals etc.). The expertise of the partner RTVS-Vest, Bergen through its Refugee Health and Forced Migration helped transferring Norwegian experience in this area, increase the quality of services provided to

vulnerable migrants, and coach ICAR's development into a national resource centre for migration and health. The project intended to place on the public agenda the important topics of asylum, migration and health, establish partnerships with relevant stakeholders, promote diversity and multiculturalism as democratic values contributing to social inclusion and tolerance.

„iCARE 2 - Further Development of Interdisciplinary Care and Assistance to Romanians and Exiles” (1st of October 2014 - 31st of March 2016)

The current project aimed to:

- Consolidate outreach rehabilitation activities for victims of torture (VoT) in the 6 reception and accommodation centres of the General Inspectorate for Immigration (IGI) in Bucharest, Giurgiu, Galati, Radauti, Somcuta Mare and Timișoara and to secure the rehabilitation activity and further capacity building of the 2 existing rehabilitation centres in Romania (Bucharest and Craiova).
- Provide access of VoT among asylum seekers/

refugees and former political prisoners to multi-disciplinary assistance, including physical and psycho-therapeutic treatment, psychological counselling, social assistance and activities, as well as legal services.

- Build capacity and increase the quality of rehabilitation services through professional development of Romanian specialists.
- Continue active participation of the Romanian centres in international networking among rehabilitation centres by contributing to the exchange of good practices among specialists, facilitate peer supervision and increase international awareness on the existence and special needs of VoT.

Applied research

The last two projects included also international research components (delivered by experts from UK, Denmark). The results will be published in relevant professional publications.

„Harmonization in professional development standards in psycho-trauma intervention through Swiss-Romanian cooperation” (9th January 2015 - 8th January 2017), aiming to increase professional expertise of Romanian specialists from ICAR through training, sharing of good practice and exchange of experience with Swiss counterparts, “Pluriels Association”.

Main objects: start up and develop a Swiss-Romanian training programme on trauma for mental health practitioners in Romania, promote the Swiss-Romanian training programme at national level and build organizational capacity for ICAR Foundation.



The Swiss-Romanian project team



„SALUT/HELLO - Home is Where We Live” (1st July 2015 - 29th February 2016) was financed by the EEA Grants 2009-2014 through the NGO Fund in Romania.

The project, implemented by ICAR Foundation and The Romanian Peasant Museum aimed to promote democratic values and contribute to a tolerant Romanian society, open to the integration of migrants. Through educational activities and cultural events (film projections, workshops of traditional crafts, multicultural fair) and outreach activities of journalists (information campaigns, press contest), the project aimed to increase the visibility of migrants, improve their image among the general public, and increase media interest to the topic of asylum and migration.



SALUT Suntem Acasă în Locul Unde Trăim

Un proiect derulat de
Fundația ICAR
și
Muzeul Național al Țăranului Român

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National events/training sessions

The conference „Northern models of medical services for immigrants”:

24 April 2015, Bucharest

The conference organised by ICAR Foundation outlined models of good practice for medical services for migrants in Norway and Denmark.



Training sessions for health professionals held by international experts (Denmark, Norway, Switzerland): 22-23 April, 8-9 June, 25-26 June, 22-24 July, 15-16 September 2015.

The training sessions aimed to improve the professional knowledge of ICAR doctors, psychologists and social workers in order to provide quality services to beneficiaries.

Working with children and families with a refugee background. Trauma informed interventions. Culture informed interventions: April 2015, Bucharest (Romania). Trainer: Patrick O'Loughlin, Clinical Psychologist, Refugee Health and Forced Migration Team from Resource Center on Violence, Traumatic Stress and Suicide Prevention RVTS-Vest (Norway).

Working with torture survivors. Cultural sensitive approach: April 2015, Bucharest (Romania). Trainer: Rolf Vardal, Special Consultant, Refugee Health and Forced Migration Team from Resource Center on Violence, Traumatic Stress and Suicide Prevention RVTS-Vest (Norway).

Migrant Health. Basic tools for professionals working with migrants: April 2015, Bucharest (Romania). Trainer: Morten Sodemann, Professor of global and migrant health, Odense University Hospital, Denmark.

The base of treatment for traumatized population is rehabilitation, which consists in four principles: first principle is the recognition of the trauma and suffering. Second is the treatment - medical and psychological, any kind of treatment. Third is a form of reparation and the fourth is opening for the future. All of these are very often totally blocked by the policy of discouragement many countries apply to asylum seekers.

Swiss expert
Laurent Subilia,
physician and
psychologist
specialized in
working with
refugees and
victims of war

Identification of vulnerable people (survivors of torture, trauma) with a migrant background (asylum seekers, refugees). Recommendations and behavioural guidance for specialists conducting interviews with vulnerable migrants. Emergency psychological support. Non-verbal methods for psychological intervention: June 2015, Bucharest (Romania). Trainers: Dr. Laurent Subilia, psychotherapist; Alfredo Camelo, psychologist, Pluriels Association, Geneva (Switzerland).

Between 08 - 09 June 2015 the (asylum seekers, refugees, etc.), ad-Swiss partner professionals de- aptation of the therapeutic set- delivered a training session for ICAR ting, emergency psychological sup- mental health professionals. The Ro- port, non-verbal methods for psycho- manian specialists learned about logical intervention, and systemic identification of vulnerable/ trauma- psychotherapy. zed persons among migrants



Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder and its consequences - 25 June 2015, Bucharest (Romania). Trainer: Uwe Harlacher, Chief Psychologist, DIGNITY - Danish Institute against Torture (Professional development training with the participation of representatives of the Romanian General Inspectorate for Immigration).

Psychotherapy in an intercultural setting - practical approaches. Psycho-trauma in a multicultural environment: July 2015, Bucharest, (Romania). Trainer: Laurent Subilia, Medical doctor and psychotherapist, Switzerland.

Between 22-24 July 2015 the Swiss partner expert delivered the second training session for health professionals. The Romanian health professionals were exposed to the practical Swiss approach on "Psycho-trauma in multicultural environment", and benefited from the practical aspects of intercultural mediation and facilitation.

Working with interpreters - their role in facilitating the therapeutic process. Intercultural mediation and facilitation: July 2015, Bucharest (Romania). Trainer: Chakiba Marcolan, Interpreter and intercultural mediator, Switzerland.

The Swiss partner professional/expert delivered the third training session for ICAR health professionals: guidelines on training future health professionals in working with refugee/ migrant population and inter-culturalism and the role of interpreters.



ICAR becomes member of the National Coalition for Refugees Integration



On October 2nd the Romanian PM called for a meeting of government representatives, local authorities, NGOs working in the refugee field, representatives of foreign communities and media announcing the need for collaboration between state institutions and NGOs for integration of refugees. The National Coalition for Refugees Integration was born and a plan of action was established. ICAR became an active member of the Coalition both in Health and Legislation Inter-ministerial/NGOs groups where was promoting the rights of vulnerable groups and the legislative corresponding changes.

Reception and integration needs of vulnerable asylum seekers and refugees: 4 November 2015:

The panel included presentations on measures and new responsibilities for the Romanian public authorities according to legislative changes regarding asylum, as well as discussions on strategies for intervention and inter-institutional and inter-sectorial collaboration. At this panel attended representatives of local authorities (DGASMB, DGASPC) and nongovernmental organizations (within the project "Path to reconciliation").

International activity

Study visits to Switzerland, Geneva: 10-13 March 2015, 12-16 May 2015

During the study visits, ICAR Foundation members had the opportunity to become familiar with the reception system of refugees in Switzerland, the services and clinical cases of Pluriels partners, as well as of other NGOs from Switzerland. During these visits an information exchange regarding the situation of refugees in Romania and Switzerland also took place.



Study visit to Norway: 23-27 March 2015

During the study visit, ICAR Foundation members had the opportunity to see the services offered by the partners from RVTS Vest, as well as by other Norwegian organizations, to understand the difficulties they face in Norwegian system and also how the refugee integration system works in Norway.

UN Torture Fund - UN expert group conference: 15-16 April 2015, Geneva

During the UN conference, Doctor Camelia Doru was invited as an expert and presented rehabilitation methods for victims of torture and their long-term needs, and also offered input to the strategy review of the Fund.

The conference program included:

- One-day Expert Workshop on „Redress and rehabilitation of victims of torture in emergency contexts and long-term needs of victims” (15 April)
- Public event on „The right to redress and rehabilitation of victims of torture: an integral part of the fight against torture” (16 April).



„15 years of rehabilitation and anti – torture movement in Moldova: the right to rehabilitation. Prevention of torture and violence. Combating impunity”: 22 - 23 April 2015, Chisinau, Moldova - conference organized by The Rehabilitation Centre for Torture Victims *Memoria*.

On this occasion, Mr. Octav Doru, The Financial Manager of ICAR was nominated as *Ambassador* to promote Peace, Compassion and Dignity and to respect victims’ rights to compensation and rehabilitation.

The conference „Good Practices in Therapeutic Intervention for Torture Victims”: 27-29 May 2015, Barcelona

The aim of the conference was an exchange of experience and good practices in working with victims of torture from various European centers. The conference results were edited and published by EXIL as a manual for good practices available here at http://www.centroexil.org/media/contents/actualidad/good_practices_with_victims_of_torture.pdf.

The conference „Coexisting in Europe diversity management models”: 18 June 2015, Madrid, event organised by the NGO Fund Operator in Spain in order to facilitate the exchange of experience between organisations which deal with the migration phenomenon.



Camelia Doru in dialogue with the European experts

The European conference of The European Network of rehabilitation centers: 18-20 October 2015, München, Germany.

During the conference various psychotherapy innovations which can be used for offering quality services to beneficiaries were discussed. This conference also offered the opportunity to find and compare strategies and solutions for European rehabilitation centers, a cost-effectiveness analysis, as well as an analysis of human resources involved in projects for victims of torture.

Partners

National partners

- ⇒ **Institutions:** • The Romanian General Inspectorate for Immigration
- ⇒ **Organizations:** • The Romanian Association of Former Political Prisoners • Rehabilitation Center - Craiova • The Institute for the Investigation of Communist Crimes and the Memory of the Romanian Exile • „21 Decembrie 1989” Association • ARCA - The Romanian Forum for Refugees and Migrants • CONECT Association • Save the Children - Romania • The Romanian Peasant Museum

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- RVTS Vest - Resource Center on Violence, Traumatic Stress and Suicide Prevention (Bergen, Norway) • DIGNITY - The Danish Institute Against Torture (Copenhagen, Denmark) • Rehabilitation Centre for Torture Victims “Memoria” • European Network of Treatment and Rehabilitation Centres for Victims of Torture and Human Rights Violations (EURONET) • International Rehabilitation Council for Torture Victims (IRCT), Denmark • Pluriels (Geneva, Switzerland) • Omega - Transcultural Centre for mental and physical health and integration (Austria) • Exilio (Germany) • Slovene Philanthropy (Slovenia) • RCT Zagreb (Croatia) • CIR - Consiglio Italiano per i Rifugiati (Italy) • REDRESS (UK) • Future Worlds Center (Cyprus) • XENION (Germany) • Arq (Nederland)



Activities from ICAR centres

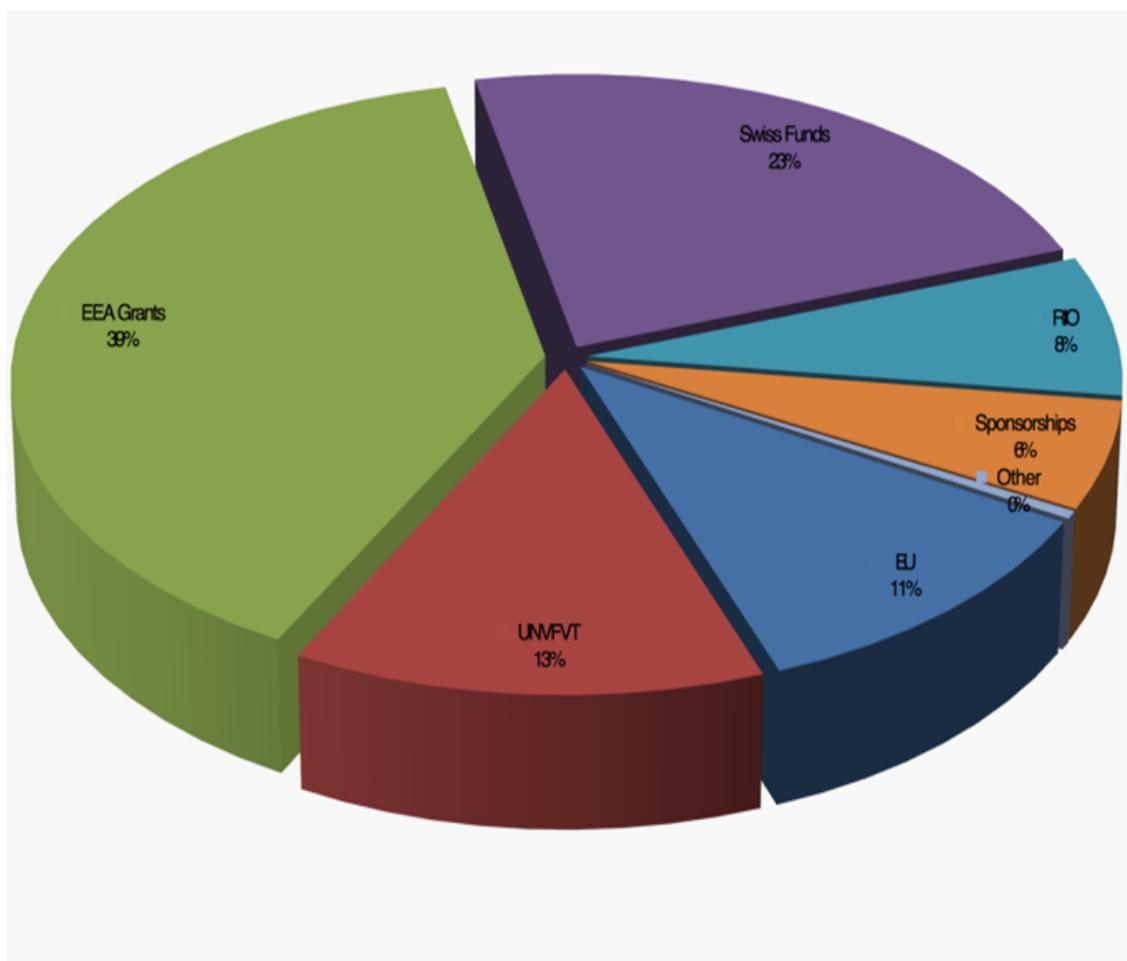
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