



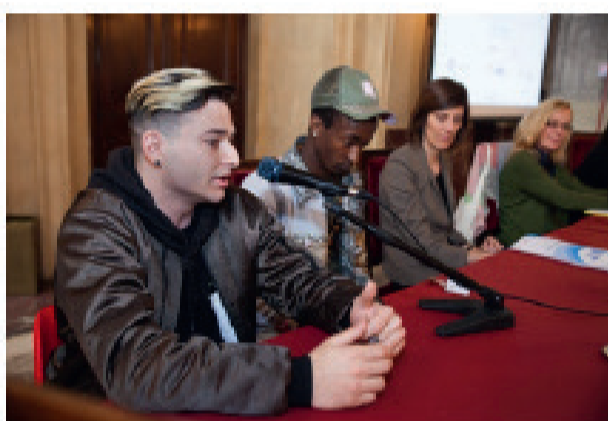
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Welcome to the 3 issue of FORUM project newsletter!

FORUM National Conference In Italy

On May 29th the national conference of the FORUM project was held in Milan, under the patronage of the Municipality of Milan and the Guarantor authority for children and adolescents. The conference was opened by the Councilor for Social Policies, Health and Rights of the Municipality of Milan, the President of the Juvenile Court of Milan, the President of Albero della Vita and a representative of the National Council of Educators. The promoter of the Italian law, Ms. Sandra Zampa, presented the legal framework and statistical data on foster care of UAM (May 2018-May2019: 310 children benefitted of foster care); a focus on the psychological aspects, fragility and resilience of UAM was presented by Laura Migliorini, Associate Professor of Social Psychology, Department of Education, University of Genoa. In the third session, the work of the FORUM advisory group on national minimum standards was introduced and guidelines presented; one of the trainer involved in the project presented the training package and underlined the importance of specific training for professionals dealing with UAM.

The fourth session foster families, foster brother and two unaccompanied migrant children shared their experience and it was a very touching part of the conference.



EU Parliament has hosted FORUM Project Conference

On 3 April Eurochild, with the support of our member Fondazione l'Albero della Vita, organised a roundtable discussion to examine how EU policies and funding can support national governments to ensure quality alternative care for children in migration, to give them the best chance to grow up in inclusive societies where their rights are protected and they are respected. In her opening address, MEP Miriam Dalli captured this purpose: "The effective protection of children in migration means that not only do we provide appropriate housing, timely appointment of guardians, it means that we make sure that their education is provided for and make sure that there is timely integration of these children into our societies."

The full report is available on www.forum-project.alberodellavita.org/news-events/



NEWS

Difficult access for Refugee determination in Hungary

"The Commissioner observes that it is extremely difficult to access the refugee determination procedure in Hungary. All asylum seekers, with the exception of unaccompanied minors under 14 years, can only exercise their right to apply for international protection in two designated transit zones along the fenced Hungarian-Serbian border where very few persons are allowed to enter. Foreign nationals in an irregular situation, including asylum seekers, apprehended anywhere on Hungarian territory are forcibly removed towards the Serbian border and risk

<https://rm.coe.int/report-on-the-visit-to-hungary-from-4-to-8-february-2019-by-dunja-mija/1680942f0d>



The Guidance on Minimum Standards for provision of Foster Care for Unaccompanied Migrant Children developed by the interdisciplinary group of experts in coordination with partner's organizations is designed to be applicable to the wide variety of different types of services or projects: service providers should aim to meet the minimum standards but should strive also for best practice:

<https://forum-project.alberodellavita.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/Guidance-on-Minimum-Standards.pdf>

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