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YEAR 2017

Center for Public Innovation promotes an open society in which:

- Transparent institutions provide access to information using open formats, decide with and in the interest of those they represent and guarantee equal rights to everyone.
- Informed citizens take action in order to promote and protect their civic interests.

Our day to day activity consists of social research, monitoring, public institutions, providing recommendations for improving public policy, advocacy and communication.

We are always looking for the best innovative approach in the projects we develop and we propose sustainable development models for society.

During 2017, *Center for Public Innovation*:

- developed and tested a tool for assessing the quality of public services, hosted on the www.mairesponsabili.ro platform;
- contributed to the development of a local government guide;
- contributed to the amendment of the Romanian Citizenship Law, along with members of the Coalition for Migrant and Refugee Rights, successfully advocating for a distinct certificate for minor applicants.

MAI RESPONSABIL FAȚĂ
DE CETĂȚENI

EVALUEAZĂ
CALITATEA
SERVICIULUI PE
CARE L-AI
PRIMIT

www.mairesponsabili.ro

În format fizic sau pe
www.mairesponsabili.ro

MAI RESPONSABILI

In 2017 we developed and tested a tool for assessing the quality of public services. The tool measures: information accessibility, bureaucratic requirements, the comfort of the waiting space, as well as the clogs and the efficiency of the institution. The evaluation questionnaire is hosted on the www.mairesponsabili.ro platform.

Mai responsabili aims to turn the assessment of the public institutions into a practice and to provide customized recommendations for each of the specific problems identified by the citizens.

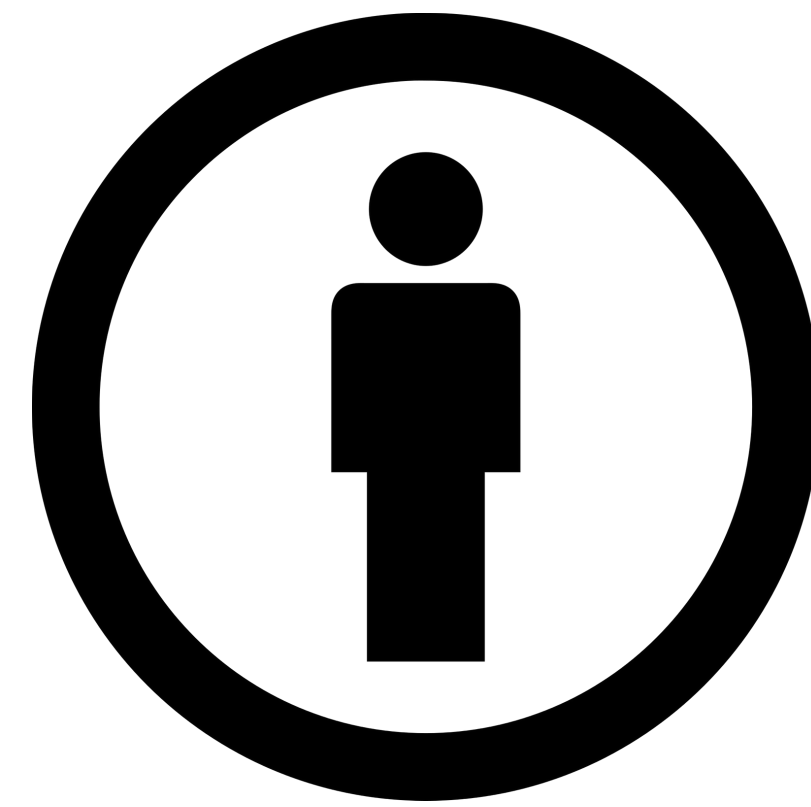
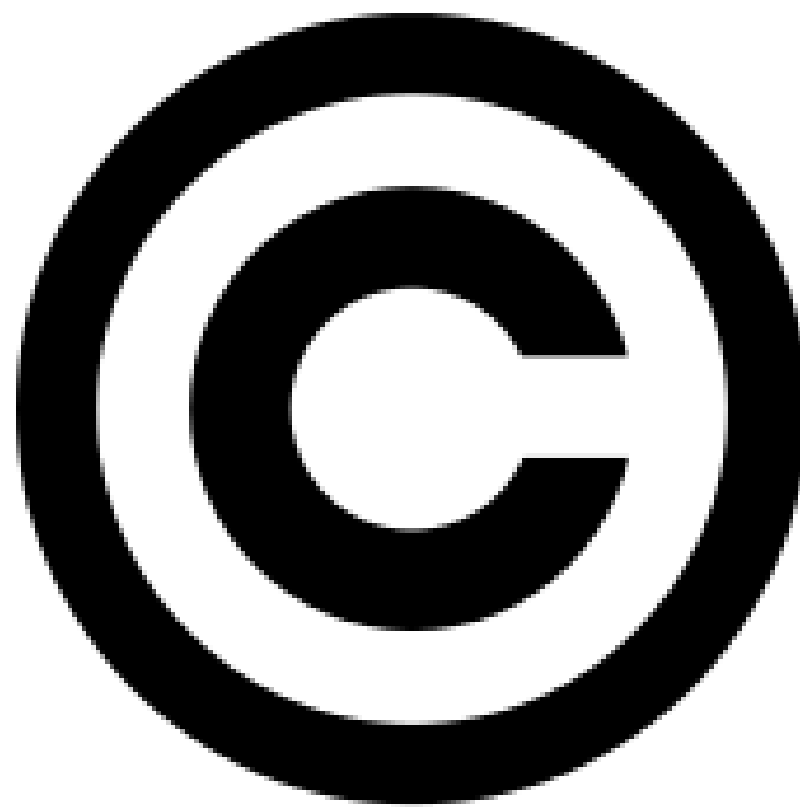
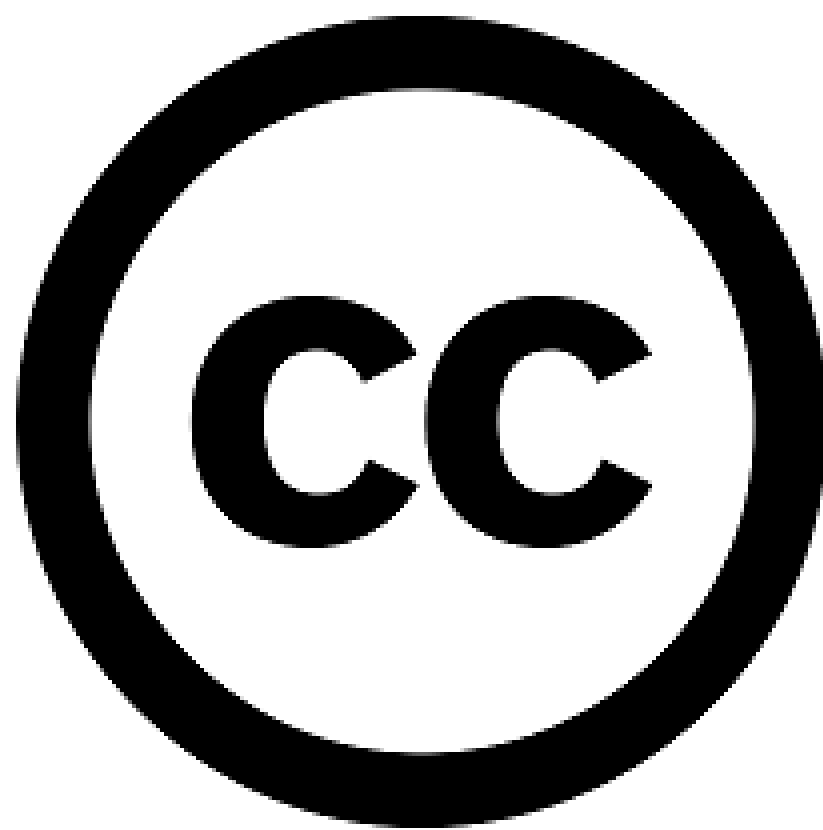
The project was funded by the Civic Innovation Fund, a program developed by the Foundation for Civil Society Development in partnership with the Romanian-American Foundation, supported by Enel Romania and Raiffeisen Bank

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR LOCAL OPEN GOVERNANCE

Center for Public Innovation, along with Smart City Association, has created a guide for local authorities. The guide recommends specific activities that help institutions become accountable, increase their transparency and involve citizens in the decision-making process.

The document also summarizes the steps and the documents that the local authorities must follow in order to implement the open government principles.





OPEN EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES

2017 was an important year for increasing access to open educational resources. The Ministry of Education embraced some of the recommendations that we have made together with members of the Coalition for Open Educational Resources, initiating the development of virtual school libraries that would host open educational resources produced by teachers, at the level of each county school inspectorate.

The Center for Public Innovation also proposed improvements to the draft Manual Law, highlighting the need for a technically and legally open format that would allow the reuse of the content of the textbooks that will be paid for by the Ministry of Education.



OPEN EDUCATION ROMANIA NATIONAL CONFERENCE

In 2017 we organized the fourth national conference dedicated to open education. The conference topics in 2017 were copyright reform at European level and regional policies in the field of open education. The conference had participants from Poland, Slovakia, Bulgaria and Slovenia.

De ce sunt importante datele în elaborarea politicilor publice?

Victoria Cojocariu
Centrul pentru Inovare Publică

12 decembrie 2017
București

NIEM

2017 was the year of the first assessment of the national integration systems of the beneficiaries of protection under the NIEM-National Integration Evaluation Mechanism; Measuring and improving the integration of beneficiaries of international protection project.

The assessment consisted in analyzing over 30 national strategies, laws, ordinances, regulations and orders that directly or indirectly regulate migration and asylum; over 20 national and international reports on migration and asylum; as well as interviews with practitioners in the field of migration and asylum and dozens of requests for public information sent to institutions that hold responsibilities in the field of asylum, migration and integration.

In 2017 we founded, together with ten other non-governmental organizations, the Coalition for Migrant and Refugee Rights.



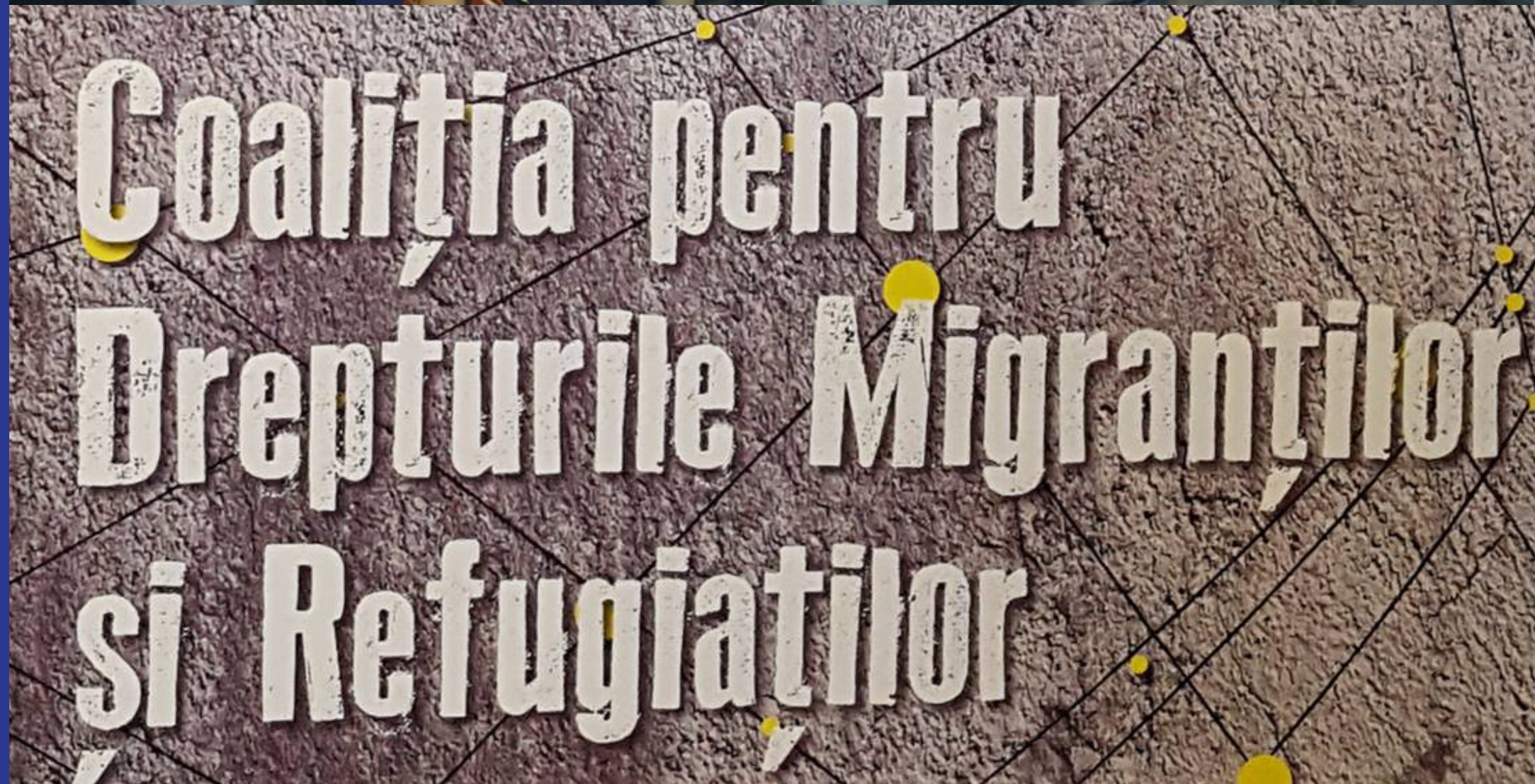
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EQUAL RIGHTS

The Center for Public Innovation contributed in 2017, together with the members of the Coalition for Migrants' and Refugees Rights, to the amendment of Art. 9 of the Romanian Citizenship Law no. 21/1991, which regulates the right for a distinct certificate of citizenship to minor applicants, facilitating their access to all citizens' rights.

In 2017, together with 12 organizations and citizens, we initiated the RESPECT Platform for Rights and Freedoms, which opposes the narrowing of the family definition through the Constitution.



COALITIONS



RESPECT

Platforma pentru
drepturi și libertăți



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BUDGET

Incomes 2017	460.350		
I. Grants	425.945		
<i>Funding entity</i>	<i>RON</i>	<i>Type of grant</i>	<i>Sum</i>
Serendinno Foundation	172.933	Institutional	RON 172.993
European Commission/ AMIF Program	43.812	Project	EUR 12.170
Embassy of Netherlands in Romania	25.200	Project	EUR 7.000
Foundation for the Development of Civil Society	28.000	Project	RON 28.000
Open Society Foundations/ Information Program	156.000	Project	USD 40.000
II. Consultancy	33.751		
<i>Beneficiary</i>	<i>RON</i>	<i>Type of service</i>	<i>Sum</i>
Soros Moldova Foundation	33.751	Social Research	USD 8.673
III. Donations	654		
<i>Donors</i>	<i>RON</i>	<i>Donation source</i>	<i>Sum</i>
Anonymous citizens (total)	654	2% mechanism	RON 654

Expenses 2017	588.532
I. Projects Implementation	514.210
<i>Project</i>	<i>Sum</i>
Mai responsabili	52.400
NIEM: National Integration Mechanism	225.100
Open Government/ Open Education	236.710
II. Contracts	31.753
<i>Type of expenditure</i>	<i>Sum</i>
Consultant's fee	25.335
Travel expenses	5.927
Other costs	491
III. Operational costs (own projects)	36.719
<i>Type of expenditure</i>	<i>Sum</i>
Salaries	31.500
Goods and services	5.200
Other costs	19
IV. Administrative costs	5.850
<i>Type of expenditure</i>	<i>Sum</i>
Rent and utilities	5.525
Bank fees	325

THE TEAM

Employees

Victoria Cojocariu- president of the board of directors

Ovidiu Voicu- executive director, member of the board of directors

Claudia Iordache- communications manager

Adelin Dumitru- project manager

Members of the organization

Nicoleta Voicu- member of the board of directors

Mara Sescu

Mihaela Ștefănescu

Andreea Chifan

The background features a grey gradient with several colorful, flowing lines in shades of green, yellow, and purple. Scattered throughout are various icons: a newspaper labeled 'NEWS', a person silhouette, a thumbs-up, a calendar with a heart, a smartphone, a person in a suit, a speech bubble, a cloud with a bird, a gear, and a person in a suit. The overall theme is digital communication and public engagement.

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