



# Oficina de Rua

## Artistic expressions in paths of training and social inclusion

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### PARTNERS

#### Coordinator:

ARCI Solidarity of Reggio Emilia (IT)

#### Vice-Coordinator:

Municipality of Bologna (IT)

#### Partners:

Municipality of Salvador (Bahia, BR)

Institute of Culture Brazil Italy Europe (I.C.B.I.E.), Bahia (BR)

Reggio Nel Mondo, Reggio Emilia (IT)

ARCI Regional Committee - ARCS operating dep. of Emilia Romagna, Bologna (IT)

### BACKGROUND

The project is meant to maintain continuity on one hand with the previous project Adotta un Ritmo, coordinated by Bologna Municipality, and on the other with the experience developed by ARCI Solidarity in the Bahia area, especially in the city of Salvador; both have proved how much art can act as a flywheel for the promotion of pathways of training and social inclusion. OFICINA DE RUA stems from an experience promoted by the City of Salvador Bahia called Salvador Graffiti, which has led to a training process in graphic arts, destined to a group of teenagers in town to let them grow as cultural and social operators within the town itself.

### AIMS

The general objective is to develop paths of job inclusion for teenagers and minors who are at a high risk of social exclusion in the urban and suburban areas: paths such as training courses and workshops, built in accordance with the local policy.

The project also sets a number of specific objectives, such as:

- Involve a minimum of 40 teens coming from disadvantaged town areas in the different activities scheduled (multirao, oficina de rua, training courses);
- Train new operators, defined as "development operators", enabling them to work on the territory with actions aimed at social inclusion (20 operators and 5 coordinators);
- reduce the damage of social exclusion caused to the risky categories, working with 3 suburban districts of the town;
- Network the newly trained subjects and give them a career's guidance, through cooperation with the municipality;
- Create a network among the "development operators" in the North-East of Brazil (30 people);
- involve the local communities in activities of mutual assistance;
- Fight exclusion and social discrimination of

street boys through 4 workshops lasting 5 months, with meetings of 2 hours, 2 days a week. Each workshop will include groups of 20 or 25 children/teens;

- Strengthen the regional cooperation system in order to reach a higher coherence of internal and external regional policies;
- Implement a rationalization process of interventions, by networking subjects and contents on the regional territory (4 bodies participating in the "country table").

### ACTIVITIES

- Identifying the intervention areas and the beneficiaries;
- Defining and implementing the training pathways;
- Realizing pilot experiences of OFICINA DE RUA (street workshops);
- Realizing 3 MUTIRAO events;
- Interchanges between operators and coordinators involved in the on-going projects on Fortaleza and Recife (Adotta un Ritmo);
- Promoting activities on a local context.

### BENEFICIARIES

#### direct:

- boys/girls attending the training course for operators (20)
- street boys/girls involved in the Oficina de Rua process (80)
- coordinators involved in the exchange of good practices between Fortaleza, Recife and Salvador (6)
- participants to the WorkField (15)
- boys/girls engaged with the Voluntary Civil Service (2)

#### indirect:

- residents, associations, artists of the 3 districts involved in the activities;
- operators coming from social projects of the city of Salvador;
- operators of the municipalities involved;
- young people of the Region Emilia Romagna attending seminars and promotion events in Italy.

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