

In this part of the project we will analyse the actions taken in each country to overcome poverty and social exclusion.

When analysing this topic, two factors must be taken into account:

- The scope of the actions (state, region, or city)
- The public or private nature of the institutions

In this activity, we will focus on **local or regional private institutions** and we will interview people with expertise in this field.

1. Please choose **three private institutions** of your area working against social exclusion and poverty. They may be institutions dealing with family support (e.g., financial support for families), unemployment, housing issues (homelessness), health issues (including drug addiction, alcoholism, gambling addiction), social discrimination (disabled people, former inmates), etc. Feel free to choose the key activities of the institutions.

2. Please get in touch with **one person working in each institution** and carry out the following interview (that is, one interview per institution). The three interviews should have the following parts:

DATA SHEET

1. Name of the institution and the person interviewed (contact details).
2. Responsibilities within the institution.
3. History of the institution.
4. Size and social environment of the institution.
5. Main goal(s) of the institution.
6. Means of the institution.
 - a. Budget
 - b. Facilities.
 - c. Workers and volunteers.

INTERVIEW

7. Which are the daily activities of the institutions? Which are your goals?
8. How do you help people in need? Do you provide them with funds, food, education, counselling, housing, etc.? Could you please give some examples of the groups of people that are your target groups?
9. What are your criteria in order to choose the people deserving your assistance?
10. Which are the groups of people that benefit the most from your assistance?
11. Nowadays, in your fight against social exclusion and poverty, what are the main problems you are dealing with? And the groups of people in need of more help?
12. Since you started your actions, what are your achievements? How do you assess the work done by your institution?
13. On a scale from 1 (-) to 10 (+), how do you assess the success of your institution?
14. Are you working in collaboration with other institutions? How do you organise your actions and your collaboration?
15. Nowadays, what are, in your opinion, the priorities of the fight against social exclusion?
16. What are the main problems you are facing? Could you please mention some proposals to improve your actions in your area of work (city or region)?

OPINION

17. On a scale from 1 (-) to 10 (+), how do you assess the actions against social exclusion in your region or city?
18. Many people think that immigrants benefit the most from the actions against social exclusion and, therefore, they are taking advantage of these actions. Is this true?
19. Many people think that the funds going to the immigrants could be used to have e.g. a better health system, better schools or much more money for retirement. What is your opinion about this?

Should you have more specific questions about other topics related to social exclusion, please feel free to ask.

SUMMARY

INSTITUTIONS	Sphere of action (education, housing, social stigma, etc.)	Size (according to budget, facilities, workers, etc.)	Assessment of the actions	The fight against social exclusion is good for your society?
		S-M-L-X-XL- XXL	0-1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9 -10	

What are the most important things you have learnt by doing these activities and interviews?