

# Roma assistant, Slovenia

## Background of the projects Roma assistant

Organized in 2017/18 and By adopting a professional standard for the Roma assistant (in 2007), the first normative foundations for the systemic placement of the Roma assistant into the education system were given.

Roma assistant is the project co-financed by the Ministry of Education, coordinated by different organisations from 2008 on.

- 1<sup>st</sup> project for introduction of Roma assistants: 2008-2011, coordinated by Zveza romov Slovenije
- 2<sup>nd</sup> project for introduction of Roma assistants: 2011-2014, coordinated by Pupil University Kočevje
- 3<sup>th</sup> project: 2014 - 2015, coordinated by CŠOD (Skupaj do znanja)
- 4<sup>th</sup> project: 2016- 2021, coordinated by CŠOD (Skupaj za znanje)

## Main tasks of Roma assistants:

- helping Roma children to overcome emotional and language barriers;
- establishing and maintaining contact with parents of Roma children and helping them to communicate with professionals at school or kindergarten;
- cooperation with school or kindergarten professionals in designing and implementing measures to improve the performance of Roma children;
- cooperation with school professionals in activities aimed at achieving better integration of Roma children with other children;
- promoting the importance of education in the Roma community;
- implementation of activities for Roma children and their parents in Roma settlements;
- cooperation with providers of project activities: Roma educational incubators, after-school activities.

## Aims and objectives

The role of the Roma assistant is to help children overcome emotional and linguistic impediments prior to inclusion in kindergarten or school, and to act as a liaison between the kindergarten or school and the Roma community.



## Roma assistants in numbers (data 2019)

27 Roma assistants in 31 elementary schools and 9 kindergartens.

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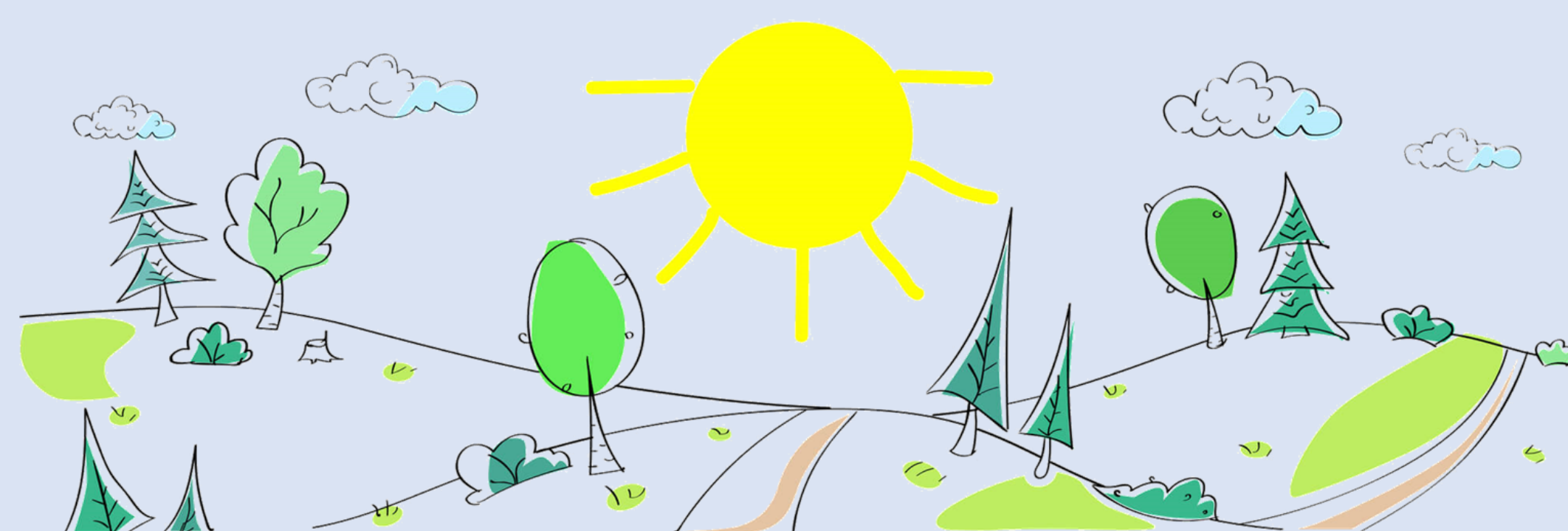
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