

Situation of basic skills in Romania

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Current status of basic skills provision

- ✓ No literacy courses
- ✓ No numeracy courses
- ✓ Yes Romanian language for immigrants
- ✓ The Second Chance Programme
- ✓ Alphabetisation programmes in prison

Basic skills teachers

Clarifications needed:

- ✓ There is no sectoral approach when it comes to adult education teachers/trainers- BS teachers as such don't exist
- ✓ National occupational standards for trainers and TOT (includes everybody)

Basic skills teachers

Who are they? Who could they possibly be?

- ✓ Teachers in the SCP (now pre university school teachers)
- ✓ Teachers in prisons (now only BA in pedagogy)
- ✓ Teachers for immigrants (now Romanian language teachers)

Basic skills teachers

What about their training?

- ✓ No formal or non formal training regarding basic skills or adult learning for teachers in prisons or teachers of Romanian language for immigrants
- ✓ Formal training for SCP teachers

Basic skills teachers (SCP training)

Let's talk about what we have:

- ✓ 5 days, 30 h training
- ✓ It was done at a large scale only at the beginning of the programme
- ✓ The Teacher Training house is now responsible for provision
- ✓ Now is organised only upon request

Basic skills teachers (SCP training)

- ✓ Not followed by other continuing training
- ✓ So far, only 25% of the SCP have completed this type of training
- ✓ There is no requirement to have the specific SPC training to enter the programme, neither other qual. to teach adults

Professionalisation pathways

What we have now looks like this:

- ✓ The academic one –MA level , only for TOT
- ✓ Through the professional training system-trainer and TOT, short period courses aprox 30 h
- ✓ The validation of prior learning and experiences –trainer and TOT(assessment centres)
- ✓ At the moment no existing system

Steps ahead

What are the challenges?

- ✓ No legal and institutional framework
- ✓ Sources of financing- no public money

Action plan

Role of the BASKET partnership