

# ICDP DEVELOPMENTS

This outline gives a general overview of main developments around the world, since the official founding of ICDP in 1992. In some countries ICDP presence lasted over ten years with hundreds of projects, whereas in others developments were on smaller scale, even though they may have lasted for many years. This outline offers a description of the scope of ICDP development in a country, without listing each specific project. ICDP reached 38 countries: Norway, Sweden, Denmark, England, Italy, Holland, Romania, Spain, Portugal, Bosnia, Macedonia, Russia, Ukraine, Kyrgyzstan, Palestine, Israel, Ethiopia, Angola, Mozambique, Congo, South Africa, Zimbabwe, Tanzania, Lesotho, Malawi, Jamaica, Colombia, Brazil, Argentina, Paraguay, Uruguay, El Salvador, Guatemala, Mexico, Peru, Indonesia, Sri Lanka and Australia. In several countries ICDP spread on large scale: Angola, Mozambique, Colombia, Guatemala, El Salvador, Macedonia, Norway, Sweden and Denmark.

## **General outline of some of the key developments in chronological order:**

**1992-1994 Norway**, research project carried out in Bergen, funded by Bergen University; the ICDP program is formulated with 8 guidelines for good interaction and other main components.

**1996 and ongoing Norway**, ICDP materials are published and ICDP is implemented through the health and child care networks, funded by the Ministry for Children and Family Affairs. In 2000 Karsten Hundeide formulated the new manual under the name "The new ICDP Program" and at the same time the book "Guided interaction from infancy to School age" was published ( Vett og Viten 2000). More systematic expansion of ICDP started which is now ongoing and is taking place all over the country. The Directorate for Children, Youth and Family Affairs coordinates the implementation; Norwegian parents and parents from minority groups are the main target group. ICDP projects are also run for different target groups, such as for asylum seekers, teachers, prison staff, children with special needs, child protection etc. ICDP Norway was registered as separate from ICDP International in 2009.

**1993 The ICDP program was presented to the World Health Organization (WHO)**, at a symposium which WHO organized to evaluate ICDP; as a result the ICDP program was adopted as a methodology to be promoted by WHO; in 1994 the ICDP/WHO manual was published by WHO.

**1993-2005 Angola**, there were large scale project developments with main sponsorship from the Norwegian Foreign Ministry and NORAD. ICDP Angola was registered and the project spread to seven provinces reaching about 40 000 children per year. The project evaluation by NORAD was positive, however the funding ended in 2005.

**1996, Bosnia**, ICDP training was delivered for health nurses and a small project took place with mothers, cooperation with UNICEF

**1993 -1997 England**, small scale projects with the Institute of Psychiatry, London University, the British Council for Refugees, the London League of Preschools and the British Consortium for Street Children

**1994 and ongoing, Colombia**, ICDP with sponsorship from SD Britain formed local teams of trainers at Fundacion Amanecer, the FUNLAM university and the FAN organization, developing projects for poor communities, displaced families, earthquake victims, teachers, nurses, FAMI mothers, families of ex-guerrilla fighters etc.

In **2001**, ICDP is presented to UNICEF. As a result, ICDP Colombia is registered and becomes an allied partner with UNICEF Colombia, developing large scale projects in several departments of the country (in over 260 towns), through local ministries for health, education and social services. In 2003 UNICEF published the ICDP manual as the "ICDP mochila".

**1997 and partly ongoing Russia**, ICDP was introduced in institutes for children, initially through cooperation with Save the Children Sweden and through collaboration with the Medical university in Archangelsk, in North-West Russia, and later links are established with the university in St Petersburg

**1998-1999, Palestine**, a group of professionals was first trained in ICDP at the An-Najah University in Nablus, but soon after a second group was trained at the Bethlehem University and they developed small projects in the West Bank.

**1999-2003 Macedonia**, ICDP training was given to local professionals who were recruited from centres for social work and other organizations that provide services for families and children. ICDP spread all over the country, in cooperation with UNICEF and with their sponsorship.

**1999-2004 Ukraine**, professionals linked to the ITOSH Education institute in Kiev and a team of professionals from Dnipropetrovsk received ICDP training and developed small scale projects in several cities.

**1999 and ongoing, Sweden**, ICDP starts developments initially through Save the Children Sweden. In 2000 ICDP Sweden is formed by a professional team and their activities grew steadily over the years, sponsored mainly by municipalities and the company called "Tjust Utveckling AB". ICDP Sweden continues to be very active implementing ICDP all over the country through local networks such as education, social services and universities, with projects for children, families, youth and the elderly.

**1999 and ongoing, Denmark**, ICDP starts to develop in Saeby, when a group of teachers from the Saeby school and a group from an institute for children with special needs received ICDP training. The UCN Northern Jutland pedagogic institute started to promote and implement ICDP. Gradually the ICDP competence development groups are established all over the country. ICDP implementation takes place mostly in schools and preschools, targeting teachers/pedagogues and children, often with main sponsorship from the municipalities. One of the key organizations currently involved in spreading ICDP is GR Psykologerne Centre for Relations in Skive.

**2002 and ongoing the Scandinavian Network** was formed with annual meetings for participants from Denmark, Norway and Sweden

**2002 ongoing Mozambique**, a large scale ICDP initiative developed, which has mainly been sponsored by NORAD. Each year the project is training local teams and providing sensitization courses for caregivers in different types of institutions and organizations working in local communities. Special focus is placed on providing psychosocial support to children and families who have been victims of the HIV/AIDS pandemics. ICDP Mozambique is a registered organization; it coordinates activities from the ICDP office in Maputo.

**2004 and ongoing India**, ICDP projects have been developing in West Bengal through several local organizations and with sponsorship from Indienhilfe

**2004 and ongoing, Tanzania**, ICDP develops as result of the collaboration between the University of Bergen and the University of Dar es Salaam on a psychosocial project in Moshi; the local partner that implements the ICDP program is the Kiwakkuki women's organization with special focus on combating HIV/AIDS.

**2004 and ongoing South Africa**, ICDP was implemented in 3 institutions. From 2008 the implementation of the ICDP program takes place through the Caversham Centre, near Pietermaritzburg

**2010 and ongoing**, ICDP Norway in cooperation with RBUP and Gamalaka Stiftelse started a new initiative in the township of Gamalaka, in the province of Natal; training is given to twenty professionals from different crèches

**2003-2005 Israel**, ICDP was implemented by training teachers and parents at the Mofet education centre

**2001 and ongoing Paraguay**, the implementation of the program in different small scale projects run by the local organization Vida Plena, with local and international sponsors

**2001 – 2009 Brazil**, the CELUAN education institute developed several projects in poor communities, as well as in schools and preschools in the south of the country. Sponsorship is from local organizations, municipalities and the Bernard van Leer Foundation.

**2010 and ongoing**, in the Pernambuco area of Brazil, ICDP has partnered with Save the Children on a large scale initiative sponsored by the European Commission

**2001-2008, Argentina**, a local core group developed several projects in Buenos Aires and Mina Clavero urban and rural areas targeting marginalized population, sponsorship from SD Britain and some local sources; UNICEF published the ICDP manuals

**2006 and ongoing, El Salvador**, ICDP developed as country program through education and social services sponsored by UNICEF, coordinated by ISNA

**2007 and ongoing, Guatemala**, ICDP developed in poor communities all over the country through Plan Guatemala and with UNICEF sponsorship

**2007 and ongoing, Portugal**, ICDP Portugal was registered and ICDP training projects developed for staff, children and parents at the “Roda Viva” Education Centre.

**2008 and ongoing Australia** a small group of local professionals received training in ICDP, sponsored by a private individual

**2008, 2009: Southern African Network** includes South Africa, Malawi, Mozambique, Tanzania, Lesotho, Ethiopia and Zimbabwe; the network holds annual meetings

**2008 and ongoing, Malawi**, ICDP training was given to professionals linked to PiV (Psychiatri of Vestfold) who run the project “ Psychosocial support for vulnerable children “ , coordinated by the Norwegian Church Aid.

**2008 and ongoing, Zimbabwe**, The Community Foundation for the Western Region of Zimbabwe applies ICDP principles in its Home-based Orphan Care Program

**2009 and ongoing, Lesotho**, ICDP is training a core group at the Thaba-Bosiu Centre (TBC), sponsored by the Blue Cross Norway (BCN)

**2009 and ongoing Mexico**, ICDP training for professionals from the government networks working with families and children, DIF Municipal and DIF Estatal

**2009 and ongoing Peru**, ICDP Peru is registered as an organization, first projects developed sponsored by SD Britain, cooperation with KALLPA and DREC in Cusco

**2010 and ongoing, Finland**, ICDP starts by training a professional linked to the Family Centre in Paragas, near Åbo

**2011 and ongoing, USA**, cooperation is established with Child Rights and Protection Consultancy – International, Chicago; ICDP training is given to a group of professionals