

2018: DEVELOPMENTS IN VINNITSA, UKRAINE

TRAINING OF PROFESSIONALS AS ICDP FACILITATORS

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- ICDP is simple, accessible at the same time very informative tool and really useful for children and for everyone who educates them. I made several presentations of this programme at school, kindergarten, at institutes, conferences and on television. I also held ICDP classes with parents and students from the pedagogical college.

During my discussions with facilitators from Vinnitsa I understood that all are very interested to continue with ICDP. There are 24 facilitators from the city of Vinnitsa who wish to become trainers. We have made plans for working with kindergarten instructors, teachers in schools, university teachers and with their students.

In Ukraine, the education system is changing quickly. Teachers, educators now need exactly the kind of support ICDP can provide. They need to be reminded in practice of empathy, mutual understanding, love, sincerity... I was invited by students and teachers from several villages. We need a team of trained specialists to conduct a training project for them.

In 2018, Maria Gorshkova completed the training of a new group of ICDP facilitators in Vinnitsa. It was not a large group but it was comprised of motivated people interested in promoting ICDP. The training was successful. Here are some of the participants' statements:

"It is a program for everyone's sake, there is no need to graduate at university to follow the 8 guidelines"

"ICDP is a program that" contaminates "with love and kindness"

"Helps to understand how important is to empathize with the child, to understand his emotions"

FUTURE PLANS FOR ICDP IN VINNITSA:

The local ICDP team presented the programme to a group of specialists at the Rehabilitation Centre called "Promini" , in Vinnitsa. The webpage:

<http://vincentpromin.at.ua>

The meeting was significant as it established links for future collaboration.

Photos below are from the meeting that took place at the Promini Rehabilitation Centre and from the ICDP workshops.















