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1. Project objectives:

- → From 1997 to 2008 more than 500 DAPHNE projects were funded by the European Commission and are referenced or will be in the tool *DAPHNE Toolkit*. This module to be found on the DG Justice website ensures the dissemination of the project descriptives, contact information of the partners, and contains the final report wherever possible which presents the results obtained. This enables others to gain from past experience and expertise.
- Nonetheless, each project leader has to ensure himself the dissemination of his own results, often without having the necessary tools or experience to do so. Each project leader found this task challenging and was not able to benefit from work done in this area by previous projects. That is the reason why we created this Directory which is a tool for dissemination: an « intelligent » Directory with contact information from members of the DAPHNE community. The aim was this Directory to serve as a European Directory for the entire DAPHNE community.
- → This project aimed to develop and make available to all actors concerned a database of contact information from:
 - all DAPHNE project leaders and their partners (1997-2010);
- key institutional contacts in each Member State EU27 (for example Ministries of Justice, Ministries in charge of Equality, etc.);
- main, national associations and organisations (for example, big NGOs in charge of the prevention of violence towards children, adolescents and women);
 - European networks and organisations working in this type of violence prevention;
 - universities, researchers and major media in charge of questions on this type of violence.

The goals of our project DAPHNE-DIFFUSION (short name "DAPH-DIFF") are essentially to facilitate further dissemination of Daphne projects, the exchange of information between DAPHNE actors and partnership research, by providing, a Web-based Directory of contact information for various categories of DAPHNE actors.

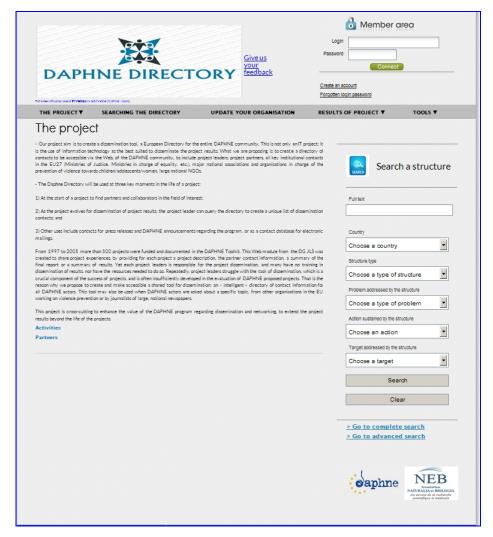
2. Project implementation:

- → Firstly we defined the scope of the project and then interviewed project leaders from the DAPHNE programme to assess the issues involved in dissemination and to learn the needs of users for the DAPHNE Directory. In doing so we established a summary of this feedback.
- → We were then led to make the core of the project more precise: collect and organise the contact information on the following organisations, according to descending priority: partners of all DAPHNE projects from 1997 to 2010), major national and regional NGOs in the field, European networks, universities, researchers, ministries, main media in charge of this topic; all of this within the 27 Member States.
- The interviews performed enabled us to realise that there is a certain amount of confusion regarding the different tools available: « DAPHNE Toolkit », « Priamos » (system of electronic submission for the DG Justice), « DAPHNE web site » and « DAPHNE Directory ». We attempted to reduce the confusion by writing up the added value of the Directory in the document (D058*).
- → We established the variables of the descriptive form for the Directory and the thesaurus associated with the DAPH-DIFF Directory. The construction of the main thesaurus had to correspond to the following criteria: use the framework of the thesaurus present in the DAPHNE Toolkit and update these to meet the current needs. They have evolved several times early in the project with the acquired experience. Then we published a final coding manual (D056) FR/EN to serve as a reference tool
- → The data collection first took place by acquiring information already existing in the DAPHNE Toolkit (projects from 1997 to 2005), then data from project partners not present in the Toolkit (2006 to 2010). We also sought out organisations which submitted proposals to DAPHNE but were not funded.
- → We pursued the work of data collection for additional national organisations by asking for information amongst the partners in DAPHNE who were already included in the Directory (ministries, institutions and national NGOs EU27), then contact information from European networks and organisations undertaking activities linked to the DAPHNE programme. Finally we sought information from the major European media (EU27), meaning the 10 biggest newspapers and magazines. The project partners also searched by themselves for organisations using search engines online.
- → We also had to extend our definition of « large national NGOs » to « large national and regional NGOs » in order to account for the administrative organisations which are highly decentralised in certain Member States, such as Austria, Germany and Italy. We also looked for organisations which belonged researchers and participants in recent conferences related to themes linked to the DAPHNE programme.
- → We then developed the DAPH-DIFF database, built a data collection tool of descriptive forms (web application input) and developed the website for querying and consultation (web application EndUser). We did test this last model with our partners and promoters (271), then we have conducted the necessary corrective action prior to the final application available at http://psytel.eu/daph-diff.
- → Finally, we performed a quantitative and qualitative analysis of the Directory and began with the dissemination work. The implementation of the Directory and the referencing of the site are in progress, and also depends on what the Commission would like to see happen with this Directory.

We created the Directory DAPH-DIFF essentially by consultation of the DAPHNE Toolkit, Internet searching for all of the partners, direct contact with organisations and networks, search for DAPHNE project lists, lists of participants at conferences in the field and bibliographic research.

3. Website DAPHNE-DIFFUSION:

- → Access to the Directory DAPHNE-DIFFUSION is available at http://psytel.eu/daph-diff
- Access is free, yet to update or create a file you have to identify yourself using a Login and Password. These are provided by the technical operator of the site (psytel@psytel.eu).



- The organisations identified can only modify their own file, but can consult the files of other organisations.
- → Without identifying oneself a user can only access a list of the first 10 organisations that correspond to the search and cannot access the contents of the forms. To do so one has to login. Thus the free access is a kind of incentive to authenticate and create your own form.
- → Once logged in, the user can search the Directory, select organisations of interest and export certain information (Country, international name, type of organisation, email, url) in an Excel file.
- → Searching the Directory can be done using free text and/or using the 5 main variables (country, type of organisation, field of action, type of action, target population) and/or all of the variables in the form.
- Regarding the contents of the Directory, it contains information validated by the organisations themselves and public information already freely available on the Internet. We consulted a lawyer on these points.
- → An organisation can remove itself from the Directory by making a technical request.

4. Conclusions and suggestions:

Concerning the Directory DAPHNE-DIFFUSION:

- → We created an « intelligent » Directory regrouping more than 2450 organisations from 27 Member States: partners of all of the DAPHNE projects (1997-2010), major national and regional NGOs in the field, European networks, ministries, universities and media linked to the topics of DAPHNE. The Directory DAPH-DIFF in and of itself represents a specific, virtual network.
- → Searching the Directory can be done using free text and/or using the 5 main variables (country, type of organisation, field of action, type of action, target population) and/or all of the variables in the file.
- → We indeed cannot guarantee the thoroughness of this Directory, nor guarantee the validity of all of the information it contains, but we created a tool that acts as a « core Directory » which is user friendly, allows for searching the Directory in order to extract useful information, to modify information in it as needed and to create new files for adding organisations.
- → We often found amongst the members of the organisations consulted a certain amount of confusion regarding the different tools available: DAPHNE web site, DAPHNE Toolkit, Priamos system and the Directory. We attempted to reduce the confusion in a document (D058*), and suggest a one page explanation on the Commission website would be useful.

Concerning the DAPHNE programme:

- → A number of partners stated the need for an updated version of the DAPHNE Toolkit which currently contains information on selected projects from 1997 to 2005, but not beyond this.
- The partners interviewed stated their need for the development of other community dissemination tools based on project results or information, such as:
 - the development of a « DAPHNE web site », providing the most pertinent project results, those that the Commission would like to display and background information on the themes of the DAPHNE programme;
 - intensify the activities of « DAPHNE editions», by editing more documents based on project results;
- create a « DAPHNE newsletter », or more broadly « Fundamental rights and citizenship newsletter », each trimester for example, providing information about the programme, the colloquials, the presentations of certain projects, interviews, as well as information on Commission activities, in addition to those of the Council of Europe and other international organisations such as the UN-Women. This could reinforce the "feeling of belonging" and a community identity within DAPHNE.
- → Finally, more globally, the partners participating for a long time in the DAPHNE programme expressed their desire to have the DAPHNE team extend their role so that it is not only an administrative-financial team, which is essential, but also to have a « more political» role in order to assist in the dissemination of project results acquired.

Finally, let us highlight the deliverables of our project DAPHNE-DIFFUSION:

1>The main deliverable of the project is no doubt the Directory DAPHNE-DIFFUSION accessible at the address: http://psytel.eu/daph-diff

2>This final administrative report - D109* (FR/EN)

3> Summary report - D111* (FR/EN)

4> A CD-ROM containing all of the major documents produced (those of Annex 2), as well as the application files of the EndUser website in order to install the application locally.

* internal reference n° of the document in our work list

Different working papers including:

5> Coding manual v2.1 - D056* (FR/EN)

6> Placement of different tools based on the DAPHNE project phases - D058*

7> DAPHNE Actor-Network - D106*

8> Statistical tables based on the Directory (from D96 to D101*)

All of these documents are also accessible on the site www.psytel.eu