MIGRATION, POVERTY AND SERVICES

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WHO ARE WE?

 a federation of organisations, institutions and churches providing social and health services and education on a Christian value base

in over 20 European countries

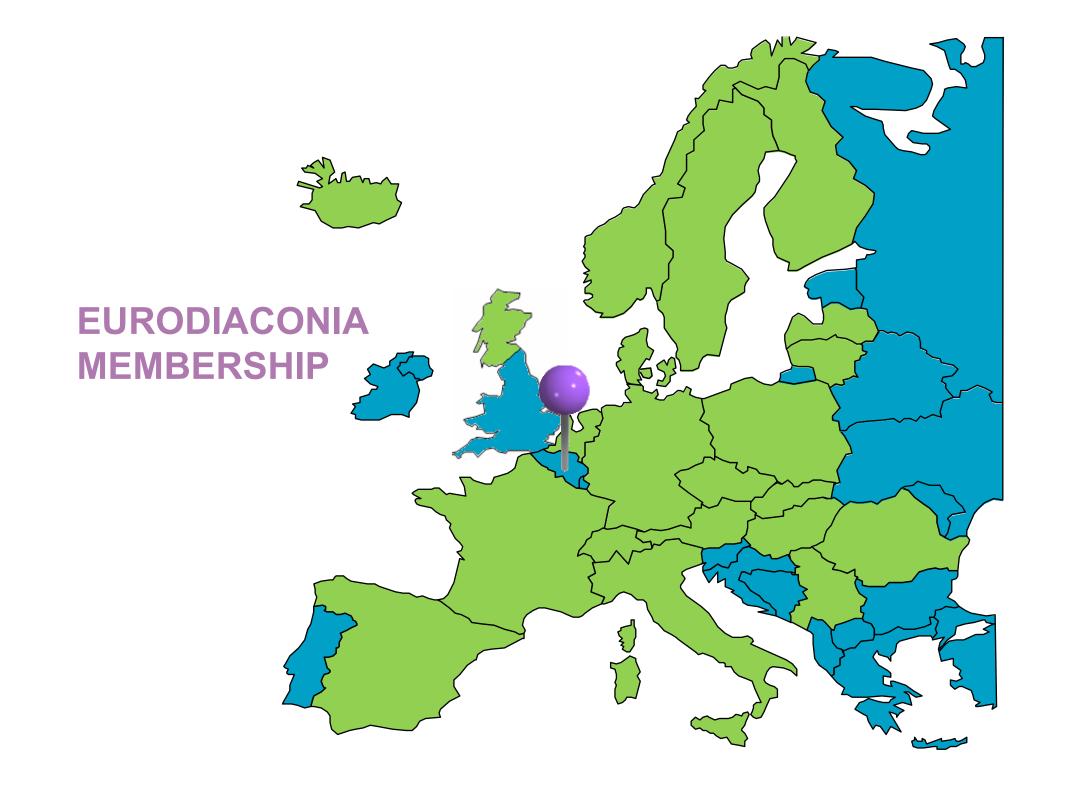


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 Mutual learning, exchanging, networking Diaconia in Europe;

 ...developing ideas and feeding into policies to combat social exclusion, create more just societies and secure dignity for every human being







ED & MIGRATION – WHY?

- Starting to work on Migration in 2010
- Of increasing interest to our members service providers
- Reflect our members' work & challenges
- 2010 European Churches responding to Migration





EURODIACONIA POLICY WORK

- In cooperation with partners
- the Christian Group on Migration
- CCME (legal aspect of asylum and family reunification)
- Learning from other EU network expertise (e.g. PICUM)
- Setting up a network of interested members





OUR APPROACH

- Rights-based, solidarity, dignity
- Services as a key



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- Human right approach:
- universal access to services
- services necessary to lead a dignified life
- fundamental rights of third-country nationals (regardless of legal status), including equal access to employment, housing, education and health,



FRANCE - TOOLKIT FOR SOCIAL WORKERS AND VOLUNTEERS ON "CARE FOR UNDOCUMENTED MIGRANTS AND POLICE INTERVENTION – WHAT SHOULD I DO"?

- 10 answers to questions on topics such as:
- Relationship with the police
- Sharing of information
- Consequences



MIGRATION, POVERTY Eurodiaconia AND SERVICES – CHALLENGES FOR PEOPLE

- Social Exclusion
- Financial exclusion
- Basic human rights overridden
- Migration debate turned into a security debate





CHALLENGES FOR SERVICE PROVIDERS – OUR MEMBERS

- Who are we talking about? Undocumented migrants, migrant workers, EU migrants, etc?
- Is it the same to provide services to migrants and Nationals? (languages, needs, etc)
- What about migrants working in services? Often carers



- What is your experience?
- What are the main challenges for migrants in your country in the access to services?
- What are the main challenges for social services providers in your country?



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Thank you

