

The main objectives of Shpresë për të Ardhmen Association

To re-integrate repatriated young Albanians into the Albanian society and integrate internal migrants in the new settlements.

To develop new educational and professional perspectives for their own future in order to help them to find and re-discover new roots in Albania.

Facilitating job re-integration

Sustaining professional knowledge and entrepreneurial know-how.

Promoting social integration

Bringing into public focus the problem of so many young Albanians who seem to see no future for them in Albania.

Raising the awareness of irregular migration in the Albanian society.

Informing concerned authorities and organisations about the Shpresë për të Ardhmen and its projects.

Projects:

Kape të Ardhmen (Take the Future) - Reintegration of the repatriated Albanians from West European countries.

Hidhe Hapin (Take a step)- Vocational formation for women and young girls.

Projects in which Shpresë për të Ardhmen is involved

In partnership with IOM:

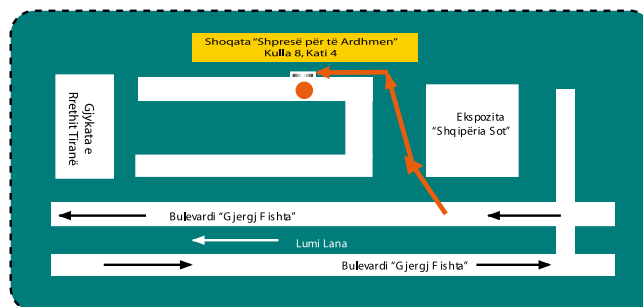
VARRP (Voluntary Assisted Return & Reintegration Programme), initiated by IOM London.

HLWG Project — “Fostering sustainable reintegration in Albania, the Kosovo province and FYROM, by reinforcing local NGO capacity for service provision to returnees”.

In partnership with COOPI, Italian NGO:

ALNIMA, - a project to improve the living conditions of the selected irregular migrants from Albania, Nigeria and Morocco and to increase the chances for a positive reintegration into their country of origin.

ALBAMAR - Implementation of an integrated support for forcibly or voluntarily returnees from Italy.



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“Shpresë për të Ardhmen” Association



“Kape të Ardhmen” and other projects

INFORMATION,
COUNSELING AND
SUPPORT ON
REINTEGRATION
OF RETURNED
AND INTERNAL
MIGRANTS



A returnee in the working place

Development of the reintegration programme

Shpresë për të Ardhmen (Hope for the Future) NGO was founded in November 1999 in order to develop the Kape të Ardhmen, a pilot project for the re-integration of the repatriated young Albanians from Switzerland. This project was initiated by the Swiss prison pastor Dr. Patrice de Mestral.

Young people repatriated from Germany, UK, Italy and internal migrants have been included in our re-integration programme from 2003 and on.

Geographical spread: 16 districts of Albania



Young women attending the tailoring course



The young people in an Open House meeting

“Shpresë për të Ardhmen”

Association programme offers:

Opportunities for 9 month apprenticeship or job placement. Paying a salary supplement for programme’s beneficiaries.

Offering additional free courses to the eligible participants, in order to improve their professional skills.

Training opportunities in support of SME-s

Counselling concerning social, economical, family and personal problems.

Organising Open House meetings with the participants and entrepreneurs to exchange information and discuss problems.

Organising socio-cultural activities in support to social reintegration.

Organising activities to raise the awareness concerning irregular migration (film, bi-annual newsletters, articles, high school visits, cooperation with related organisations etc.)

Establishing contacts and meetings with concerned authorities and organisations in order to pass on the information of the reintegration programme and exchange information about migration.

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Donors:

HEKS (Swiss Interchurch Aid),
EED (Evangelischer Entwicklungsdienst Deutschland).
European Commission (AENEAS Programme)
IOM (International Organization for Migration),
Swiss private donors.

SOME STATISTICS

(May 1999 – June 2006)

1186 persons, 964 male and 202 female are enrolled in the Association files since May 1999 to March 2006 and have received information and counseling.

842 beneficiaries, 682 male and 160 female were assisted to get apprenticeship or job placement. All these persons have had full access to the social, cultural and sportive activities organized by our staff that facilitate their social reintegration.

13 persons are supported financially to start up a small business.

112 persons have benefited financial aid.

**By other projects:
VARRP projects, referred by IOM
74 beneficiaries**

**HLWG project, referred by IOM:
8 beneficiaries**

**ALNIMA Project, referred by COOPI:
21 beneficiaries.**