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in Greece



Supporting Organizations that assist migrant asylum seeking population in Greece (SOAM)

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SOAM quality control cycle reflection meeting

In the frame of SOAM Programme, SOAM PM Unit organized in February 2017 a reflection meeting which was attended by representatives from all SOAM funded Reception Centres (RCs), UDI and Norwegian Embassy. [Read on](#)

Stories

During the Programme's implementation, 2013-2017, almost 3.000 people have been benefiting from its actions through the operation of 4 Reception Centres. The majority of beneficiaries, coming from conflict zones, have even risked their lives trying to reach a safe place for them and their beloved ones; They are people who bring with them images and experiences very difficult to manage but they find the courage to share their stories.





S. from South Sudan

S. is 37 years old. She is from South Sudan. She escaped from her country as she was held captive in the bush by the notorious Lord's Resistance Army (LRA) since 2003, one of Africa's most brutal extremist's movements. She was working as a sex- slave for 12 years. [Read on](#)



R.M. from Syria

Mrs. R.M. is a refugee from Syria. She traveled from Turkey to Greece through sea with a boat in January of 2016. She traveled with her 2 underage children and was eight months pregnant. She gave birth in Greece during the period of accommodation in the refugee camp in region of Attica. Mdm had provided medical care and have secured access to prenatal and maternity care during the period that R.M. accommodated in another refugee camp in Central Greece. [Read on](#)





Hassan from Syria

Hassan (the name has been changed in order to protect the anonymity of the minor). Unaccompanied minor, 15 years-old from Syria. He came to STEGI PLUS (+) Accommodation Centre at Patras, following a route which changes the life of all who follow it. He was one of those many. He was alone. Far away from all he had known up then. [Read on](#)



Photo by Christophe Vander Eecken

Brothers and sisters from Syria

E.16, her brother M.14, sister L.13 and brother H.8 were referred to the MELLON UAMs Unit in July 2016. When they arrived at MELLON, more immediate concerns shadowed the dream of reaching Germany to meet their

father. The four children have fled Syria with their mother. Upon arriving on the Greek island of Chios, the mother got seriously ill and was transferred to a big Athenian hospital. [Read on](#)



Unaccompanied minors in Greece

One of the most important issues when working with unaccompanied minors is to provide them with a sense of being and a sense of belonging. Unaccompanied minors are uprooted and traumatized individuals who haven't undergone the standard steps of socializing and formulating their childhood. [Read on](#)

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