

REPLACE 2

Researching Female Genital Mutilation Intervention Programmes Linked to African Communities in the EU

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Objectives:

- * To implement the REPLACE behaviour change toolkit for ending Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) with practicing communities in the EU
- * To evaluate the experience of using the methodological approach and the behaviour change framework within the toolkit, amongst those involved
- * To engage communities in devising strategies for change
- * To develop feasible evaluation techniques and protocols with communities for their strategies for change
- * To develop and improve the REPLACE Behaviour Change toolkit for ending FGM in the EU
- * To build sustainability of the toolkit through knowledge transfer and capacity building with a range of partners and communities in the EU

Activities:

- * Working with the original Somali and Sudanese communities (UK and Netherlands) from previous REPLACE project (2010-11) to apply the findings from that work and the REPLACE approach and devise new tailored strategies for change in their communities
- * Applying the REPLACE approach and toolkit to other FGM practicing communities in other EU countries (Italy, Portugal and Spain) to identify facilitators and barriers to change that are specific to them, and important as the focus for intervention strategy design

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Results:

- * [Pilot Toolkit for Replacing Approaches to Ending FGM in the EU: Implementing Behaviour Change with Practising Communities](#)
- * The [Toolkit](#) provides detailed background to the issue of FGM and what is known about it in the EU context. The approach of behaviour change is explained in detail with reference to relevant theory and literature
- * The [Community Handbook](#) provides practical informations straight to the issue of how to apply the approach in practice and aims to provide a step-by-step guide to be used in working in the field of FGM
- * [REPLACE 2 – Executive Summary](#)
- * [Media workshop with Eritrean and Ethiopian communities on gender issues](#), six meetings on photography, video and storytelling
- * [Final conference at the European Parliament](#)

Partners:

- * Coordinator: Coventry University (United Kingdom)
- * Forward UK (United Kingdom)
- * The Federation of the Somali Associations in the Netherlands (Netherlands)
- * Associação para o Planeamento da Família (Portugal)
- * Gabinet d'Estudes Socials (Spain)
- * International Centre for Reproductive Health, Ghent University (Belgium)

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