

European Project UNARS

“Understanding Agency and Resistance Strategies” (UNARS) is a multinational research project which aims to understand how children and young people cope during and after living in situations of domestic abuse.

Of particular interest are the strategies children employ to help themselves and their family members cope, and the ways they build a positive sense of self despite difficult family circumstances. The project will develop a brief intervention, focused on working with young people to develop and strengthen these abilities in children dealing with domestic abuse.

UNARS is funded by Daphne III, a European Commission funding stream that is focused on the protection of women, children and young people from forms of violence.

<http://www.unars.co.uk>

Conference venue:

Instituto Valenciano de Seguridad Pública
y Emergencias (IVASPE)
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Final Conference UNARS

“More than witness:
what the minor says”

12th MAY 2015

Instituto Valenciano de Seguridad Pública y Emergencias (IVASPE). Cheste - Valencia



Cheste, 12th May 2015

“More than witness: what the minor says”

09:30h Registration

10:00h Opening

Regional Viceminister of Home Office,
Asunción Quinzá

Professor University of Northampton
Jane Callaghan, project leader

Head of the Institute IVASPE
Ángeles Navarro, project manager

10:15h Minors victimas of violence

Regional Head of Attorneys for Victims
Socorro Zaragoza

11:00h Coffee break



11:30h Children's experiences of domestic violence

Professor University of Northampton
Jane Callaghan, project leader

12:30h Lesson Learnt: a call for raising minors' voice

Il Meridiano
Monica Ricco
Michele Pellegrino

Ufficio Garante
Laura Colaninno

University of Northampton
Joanne Alexander

University of Thesaloniki
Maria Papatthanasiou
Stravroula Mavrou

Conselleria de Governación y Justicia
María Muñoz

13:15h The Childrens' rights

Committee on the Rights of the Child
United Nations
Jorge Cardona Llorens, member

14:00h Closing comments and young people's exhibition

Spanish Government representative of the Provincia de Valencia
Juan Carlos Valderrama

The UNARS project final conference is the culmination of two years work and research. Two years in which the relevance of placing the minor in the right position, as victim of domestic or gender based violence, is highlighted.

The conception of victims of violence implies a different approach to the minor. By agreeing about this statement, their rights are considered equal to the victims ones; moreover the help needed to cope with the situation and become resilient is provided.

Along this process where the minor is considered a victim is essential to listen to them: what does the minor tell us? To develop and active listening is vital to be able to help young people, as well as for guiding public services to achieve minors' needs. What they say and how they say it? Which are the agency and resilience strategies they use?

This is the objective of UNARS project, to take a step forward on the research of these matters.

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