



DAHPNE III PROGRAMME
Project “Transnational Cooperation Against Violence”

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ACTIVITIES PRESENTATION

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The Criminal Law Enforcement Bureau (UEPE) is part of the Penitentiary Administration Department, which in turn is part of the Ministry of Justice.
The UEPE of Genoa operates on the whole Region of Liguria.

UEPE’S FUNCTION:

To support the social integration of the offender (Probation);
To help recover a sense of legality and lawfulness in the offender;
To be a part of the social welfare system.

UEPE’S DUTIES:

To know and consider the offender’s general situation and background;
To provide the offender with a path to social integration;
To advise, support and check on the offender’s behaviour;
To send information and opinions to the authorities.

WHEN THE OFFENDER IS CHARGED WITH ACTS OF VIOLENCE ON WOMEN OR CHILDREN:

There are no specific projects.

Every offender has to undergo the process of **individual observation** so that we can plan their **individual treatment**.

Of crucial importance is the responsabilisation of the offender through the awareness of the damage caused by their felony, an element which is often overlooked, denied or trivialised.

This operation is seen through by the Observation and Treatment Team, consisting of the prison director, an educationalist, a social worker and a psychologist.

Our experience tells us that those who exert violence and abuse women or children tend to have been abused themselves.