

### Ethno-cultural agent course in Malta January- April 2018

**Aim:** to capitalise on migrant women's skills and equip them with the know-how to act as intermediaries between victims/survivors of S/GBV in the migrant community and local services.

#### **Participants:**

- 4-8 migrant women
- Nationalities: Libyan, Palestinian, Somali
- Age: 25 50
- Muslim
- Various professional backgrounds
- A variety of immigration statuses
  Recruited through MWAM







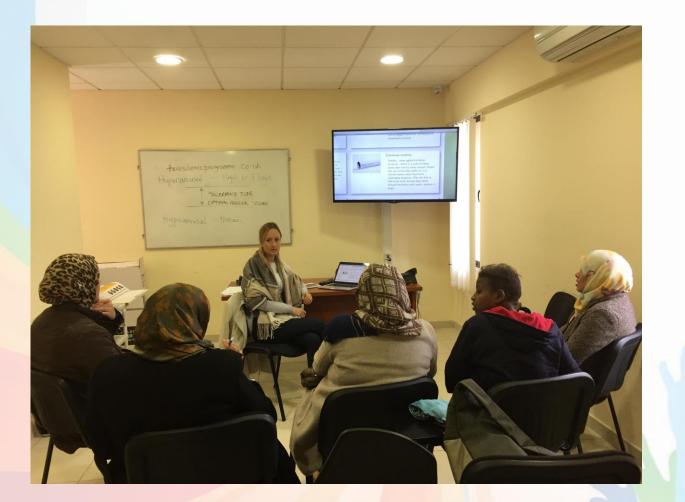
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TOPICS FOR ETHNO-CULTURAL AGENT COURSE	Hours
Legal Framework	12
Grouping of violence	12
Impact of violence and trauma	18
Migration flows	12
Citizenship	18
Local/national support services	12
Operative methodology	12
Strengthening empathy in cultural competence	18
Instruments of psychological reframing and resilience	18
Coping with competing narratives (storytelling)	18
TOTAL	150







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#### Reflecting on one's journey







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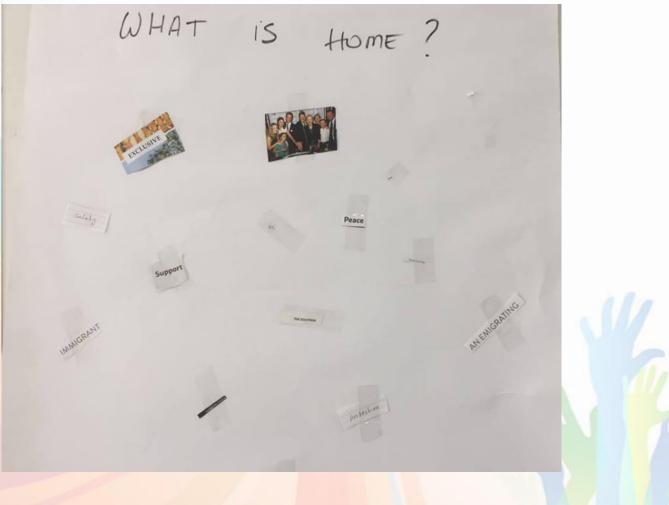
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#### What is home?





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#### Storytelling: exploring gender norms









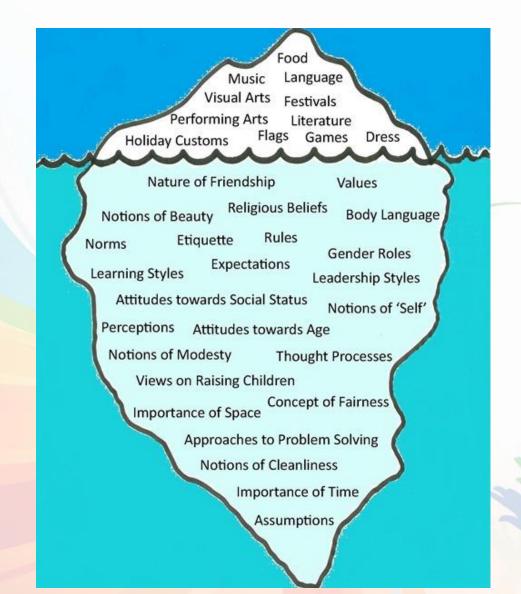
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#### **Bolstering cultural competence**









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### Some themes...

- 1. Being busy
- 2. Different understandings of safety
- 3. Raising kids in a foreign country
- Different cultural contexts similar victim-blaming attitudes towards women

















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Through the course, I learned more about the laws of the country I live in and domestic violence. I now know better that organisations are there to help the abused and refugees and try their best to make their lives better with no return. I also learned how to integrate with the locals and know more about their culture and law.

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#### Where to from here? The importance of intercultural dialogue & of valuing migrant women's skills







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