

BSUN – WAAS Joint Initiative on Trauma Informed Care in Ukraine

Background

After the invasion of Crimea in 2014, in Ukraine it has been a continuous increase of pressures of Russian Federation at many different spheres and sectors of the population and the society. The process took a dramatic development after January 24th 2022 when a military aggression at unprecedented scale was initiated by the Russian Army. As a consequence, 8 million of citizens of Ukraine have been de-localized and more than 4 million of citizens have found shelters abroad. In the last 5 months, more than 10 million people from Ukraine have suffered different forms of trauma and this has marked their lives forever.

The BSUN developed several initiatives to support the University professors, researchers and students from Ukraine and in this process collaborated to several other organizations.

The Person Centered Approach Institute (IACP) and the Faculty of Psychology of the University of Turin (UNITO) have a long experience in developing training for psychotherapists and medical doctors in Trauma Informed Care (TIC) in Italy and in many other countries.

Aim

The parties are initiating a collaborative framework for assistance and training of psychotherapists and medical doctors in Trauma Informed Care in Ukraine for the population affected by the consequences of military aggression of Russian Federation army.

Objectives

Initiation of contacts with psychotherapists and medical doctors that are already giving assistance in Ukraine and to the refugees from Ukraine

Evaluation of existing needs for support and assistance

Development of online sessions for assisting the psychotherapists and medical doctors on Trauma Informed Care Developing dedicated training modules using online and onsite training techniques

Development of a training program of training the trainers on Trauma Informed Care in Ukraine Organization of missions of experts to support the activities in Ukraine

Organization of a dedicated Master Program on Trauma Informed Care Best Practices. The co-directors of the Trauma Informed best Practices Project are Alberto Zucconi (IACP) and Luca Rollè (UNITO)