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Women from ethnic minorities in social enterprise

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Hi, I'm Linda, I'm an Albanian citizen and I've been in Italy since 2001. I entered Italy with a seasonal work visa, then, once my position here in Italy has been regularized...I enrolled in law school and...In 2012 I took the Bar exam as a lawyer at the Court of Appeal of Turin.

I currently live and work in Cuneo province.

I deal with immigration mainly with the administrative paperwork that all immigrants must present at public offices.

Even during my legal internship, I was involved in these practices and...I decided to continue along this path because I believe it is useful and necessary to support the people that are lacking the necessary tools to be in conformity in Italy.

In parallel to my personal work, I have participated in several projects especially in the intercultural sphere, in social life in the province of Cuneo.

We founded in the province of Cuneo, in Fossano, the social enterprise Culturadalbasso (culture from below) with which we have carried out several projects such as the project integra, the different living libraries, the actions in schools and finally the social club museum project.

I.e. people who have not had the opportunity to get to know the museum and promotes a relationship between the artwork and the visitors.

With empathy and emotions, we've had several storytellers that observing the works of art have told and narrated their emotion that...

And it would result in pieces of these people's lives, enriching the museum with new stories.

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As regards funding, for the various projects we have done, we are, in most cases, self-financed.

It is a bit difficult to raise funds except in bigger projects for which we have had funds from some banking foundations.

But funding is always a weakness.

I've been a member of the Albanian lawyers association in Italy for about 1 year, it's a nice reality.

It was born from the friendship between several colleagues who operate throughout Italy, we are in all regions of Italy, the association aims to protect people, in particular Albanians, residing in Italy but also to promote lawyers of Albanian origin in the various institutions.

Being an immigrant woman in Italy is not easy, there are several difficulties.

As far as I am concerned, I had to interrupt the activity in order to be able to better reconcile family and work needs.

There were occasions when I had to give up so many projects in the social sphere because of lack of time.

I have 2 girls so even this leads you to have to leave even if I consider myself lucky to have had the chance to stop for the 2 maternity leave.

So, it is difficult to reconcile the 2 things, I am always looking for a balance between work and family life. It's not easy at all.

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