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Project team

Erasmus+: Teacher`s training to the inclusion of the children of foreigners (TTI)



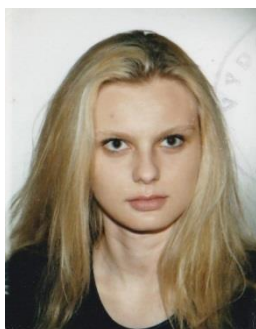
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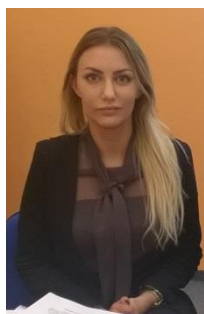
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