

ALDO-CET is a non-political and not-for-profit association, legally registered in Romania since October 2000. It has been established by a group of Romanian parents having children with Down syndrome, as a result of experienced discrimination and exclusion from the educational, social and economic life of our community and inadequate access information, health care and treatment.

ALDO-CET comes from Oltenia Region and acts as a regional association and a catalyst for enhancement of cooperation among all Romanian organizations working for Down syndrome.

COMMITMENT: Promote a human rights approach and an environmental approach to disability issues based on a new social model of disability not on former medical or charitable approaches.

MISSION: Promote and support the development of disabled people and their parents by designing and operating appropriate services that will enable them to fulfill their full potential in a community that respects and appreciates them.

VALUES: revolve around 3 central points:

1. Persons with Down syndrome: dignity, inclusion, normalisation, autonomy, self-determination, quality of life, individualisation and specificity.
2. Their families: family as a base of integration, the needs of family itself.
3. Associative movement: solidarity, justice, specificity, social usefulness, transparency, public responsibility, efficiency, quality, client orientation, and cooperation.

PRINCIPLES:

1. Persons with Down syndrome are persons who have the same rights as other citizens.
2. Normalization and inclusion at all levels and in all services.
3. Orientation towards the quality of life for persons with disabilities and their families.
4. Respect of diversity.
5. Individualised and specialised attention.
6. Association leadership as a respectful form of collaboration and participation.

To fulfill its commitment ALDO-CET works in the following fields:

- **Social services**
- **Education**
- **Health care**
- **Training**

OBJECTIVES:

1. To defence the rights.
2. To develop early intervention programmes.
3. To promote the inclusive education.
4. To provide access to work.

5. To provide orientation towards adult life.
6. To provide leisure and sport integrated in the community.
7. To support the families.
8. To train the specialists.
9. To promote a positive image of people with disabilities.
10. To develop associative leadership.
11. To make people aware of good practices.
12. To support the research, development and implementation of new knowledge, resources and methods.

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