



## International Workshop on Violence against Women and Children

In cooperation with

UNESCO, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

**29 October-9 November, 2012**

Haifa, Israel

*The Golda Meir Mount Carmel International Training Center (MCTC), Haifa*

*MASHAV – Israel's Agency for International Development Cooperation*

*Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Jerusalem, Israel*

Over the past two decades more and more attention has been given to the issue of violence against women and children, starting with the Fourth World Conference in Beijing. In October, 2006 an in depth study was launched by the UN Secretary-General on all forms of violence against women. The study was very broad and shed light on the extent and prevalence of different forms and manifestations of violence against women. It also set the stage for initiating and continuing the necessary work at the national level in the field of violence against women.

According to UNIFEM, violence against women and girls is of pandemic proportions. Based on the data available to them, 70% of women experience physical, psychological or sexual violence from men in their lifetime, the majority by partners or people they know.



Violence against women and children is a topic of grave importance. As one of UNESCO's priority areas, research has been undertaken to understand its fundamental socio-political and socio-economic causes and to use the knowledge to promote better policies and educational programs for violence protection.

This 12-day workshop will allow participants to learn from the best practices in the areas of service provision, prevention, law and policy. The workshop content will also relate to new, culturally sensitive crisis assessments and prevention approaches.

### The objectives of the workshop are to:

- Analyze social policy as it relates to prevention, treatment and rehabilitation
- Examine the theory and knowledge of various intervention models and techniques for developing and managing services, the multidisciplinary approach
- Discuss ways in which to engage men and boys in violence prevention programs
- Discuss issues related to working with the judicial system
- Exchange experiences and ideas on concepts, programs and methodologies applied in the participants' respective countries, as well as in Israel
- Analyze case studies presented by participants
- Analyze causes of violence and means of prevention against all categories of women, including migrants and refugees



Former participants of the international workshop on **Violence against Women and Children** during an outdoor Team Building Exercise (May 2010)

The program includes lectures, workshops and study visits that take a closer look at:

- ✓ An historical overview to get a better understanding of the environment in which violence occurs
- ✓ Intervention in times of crisis
- ✓ Acting in times of crisis; trafficking, rape, domestic violence
- ✓ The legal aspects of violence against women
- ✓ Developing and managing services; the multidisciplinary team; ethical and professional issues
- ✓ Basic intervention skills, models of prevention, intervention and treatment
- ✓ Visits to private and public institutions

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**SCHOLARSHIP FOR ALL APPLICANTS INCLUDES:**

**STUDIES:** Lectures, field visits, written study material and use of the library, internet and free WIFI.

**ROOM AND BOARD:** Two students per room (linen, hot water, heating), all meals included and laundry facilities on the premises.

**CULTURAL AND SOCIAL ACTIVITIES:** Excursions to historical and religious sites.

**\*\*EU countries are not eligible for MASHAV scholarships**

**HEALTH SERVICES:** Medical insurance covers medical services and hospitalization in case of emergency. It does not cover the treatment of chronic or serious diseases, specific medications taken by the participant on a regular basis, dental care, eyeglasses, or the period of pregnancy. Health authorities recommend that visitors to Israel make sure they have been inoculated against tetanus in the last ten years.

**PARTICIPANTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL OTHER EXPENSES.**

**TRAVEL:** International travel fares are the responsibility of the candidate or his/her sponsoring organization. Passports and visas must be valid for the period of the workshop and include an entry visa into Israel. Two additional passport-size photographs are also required for various documents.

**BOOKING:** The date and flight number of the booking to Israel must be confirmed to assure arrival on October 28, 2012. The date of departure from the Center should be November 9, 2012, as the closing ceremonies will be in the evening of November 8.

**CRITERIA:** The Workshop is intended for professionals working in human service organizations, NGOs and government; police, lawyers in the judicial system; psychologists, heads of crisis centers or teams, health care and social security programs.

**A good command of spoken and written English is essential.**

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**HOW TO APPLY:**

You can find the application on our website [www.mctc.co.il](http://www.mctc.co.il)

**\*\*Application forms should be sent to the Israeli Diplomatic and/or Consular Representatives serving the applicant's country. They are to be submitted no later than AUGUST 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012. An additional copy of the application must be sent to Sara Rofeh at MASHAV ([sara.rofeh@mfa.gov.il](mailto:sara.rofeh@mfa.gov.il)) and Anna Andrachnik at MCTC ([anna@mctc.co.il](mailto:anna@mctc.co.il))\*\***

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