

THE ROMA POPULATION IN ROMANIA. FROM HISTORY TO CULTURE AND EDUCATION; POLICIES, IMPLEMENTATION AND DIFFERENTIAL TREATMENTS

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Abstract. *Throughout history, the Roma have left behind only the documents produced by others, with good and bad, both real and imaginary things. And collective memory has retained more legendary aspects than certainties.*

Throughout the period, the Roma were slaves, subjected to genocide treatments during the World War II, sedentarised during communism in Romania, and discriminated and segregated nowadays.

The educational system in Romania did not come to the aid of Roma, on the contrary, schools represented rather a tool of assimilation and reproduction of social stereotypes and prejudices, hence the perpetuation of social exclusion.

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