



## NEWS REPORT

<b>Date:</b>	15 April 2011
<b>Expert:</b>	Romanița Iordache
<b>Title:</b>	"Implicarea civică și politică a tinerilor" -Report based on pool of teenagers finds that they are extremely intolerant towards Roma, LGBT, people living with HIV/AIDS, Muslims, Jews
<b>Country:</b>	Romania
<b><u>Context</u></b>	
<b>Issue at stake:</b>	Poll for teenagers reveals widespread intolerance in relation to Roma, LGBT, people living with HIV/AIDS, Muslims, Jews
<b>Ground of discrimination:</b>	race/ethnic origin – Roma, LGBT, disability, religion- Muslim
<b>Source:</b>	Miscellaneous
<b>Field:</b>	Miscellaneous

### Content

**Development:** On April 12, the Soros Foundation Romania published the findings of a poll conducted in November in 86 schools, "Implicarea civică și politică a tinerilor" [Civic and political engagement of youth]. The report states that the results show a large number of Romanian teenagers could be described as racist and anti-Semitic. About 5,860 pupils between 14 to 18 years old were questioned and the poll had a 2 per cent margin of error.

The poll showed that the least preferred neighbours are LGBT, with three-quarters of those questioned saying they would not want gays as neighbours. Roma and people living with HIV/AIDS came second which some two-thirds of respondents (60%) who would not like to have them as neighbours. More than one third of the respondents reject persons of a different ethnicity or religion: 42 per cent are opposed to having a Muslim neighbour, 34 per cent opposed to have a Hungarian neighbor and 34 per cent opposed to a Jewish neighbour.

The study showed that children coming from more educated families were generally more intolerant and they were even more intolerant of Roma.



**Internet link source and additional information:**

[http://www.soros.ro/ro/comunicate\\_detaliu.php?comunicat=150](http://www.soros.ro/ro/comunicate_detaliu.php?comunicat=150) (15.04.2011)