

## International Workshop on "*The Role and Prospects of Cultural Mediation*" 9 October 2009 Astir Hotel, Patras, Greece

http://tips.eap.gr/

In contemporary societies, native populations live side by side with migrant populations and ethnic minorities. As a result, conflicts and social exclusion may arise, thus calling for the implementation of conflict resolution measures. Cultural mediation is a form of mediation between two or more disputing parties that are presumed as having different cultures which, in a way, are responsible for conflict creation.

The workshop is organized by the Hellenic Open University in the context of the European Project TIPS, T – Learning to Improve Professional

Skills for intercultural dialogue which is funded under the Leonardo da Vinci programme. The aims of the workshop are to discuss the vital role and the prospects of Cultural Mediators in a pluralistic Europe, to identify the competences that professional Cultural Mediators must develop and describe their educational and training needs, to research the potential of applying information and communication technology in training Cultural Mediators and to present the achievements and the progress of project TIPS.

The event is open and participation is free of cost. A certificate of attendance will be given to registered participants. The official language of the event is English and there is the ability to attend online via the internet, through the TIPS project website (<a href="www.forcom.it/tipsproject">www.forcom.it/tipsproject</a>).

A photo exhibition titled "Snapshots of a "limited" life" will be organized in the context of the workshop.



Mrs Spyridoula Kouna, Hellenic Open University – Greece, <u>kouna@eap.gr</u>, tel. +30 2610.367402 Mrs Konstantina Polimeropoulou, Hellenic Open University – Greece, <u>kopo@eap.gr</u>













