



# INSTITUTIONAL ANTIGYPSYISM

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Romania, Czechia, and Sweden  
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## Beyond Prejudice: Antigypsyism Is Institutional

*Antigypsyism* is not only about individual bias. It is embedded in **institutions, policies,** and **administrative practices.** Across Europe, Roma communities continue to experience structural exclusion in housing, education, employment, policing, and public services.

### What Institutional Antigypsyism looks like

- Segregated schooling or disproportionate placement in special education
- Spatial segregation and “camp” policies
- Ethnic profiling and over-policing
- Barriers to public services and social protection
- Short-term inclusion strategies without structural reform

**Equality requires structural transformation.**

## HISTORICAL ROOTS

**Institutional exclusion has deep historical foundations:**

- Anti-Roma legislation across Europe
- Forced assimilation policies
- Police registration systems
- Slavery, expulsions, and segregation laws

### What Research in JEKHIPE Shows

**Across participating countries, findings reveal:**

- Persistent structural discrimination
- Weak accountability mechanisms
- Limited Roma participation in decision-making
- Gaps between policy rhetoric and implementation

## WHAT NEEDS TO CHANGE

- ✓ Recognize antigypsyism as a structural issue
- ✓ Embed anti-racist analysis in all public policies
- ✓ Ensure Roma participation in decision-making
- ✓ Strengthen monitoring and reporting mechanisms
- ✓ Move from project-based inclusion to systemic reform