

# Innovative Practice 2017 on employment, work, and vocational education and training Armenia

Large-scale, all-encompassing training  
and transition programme

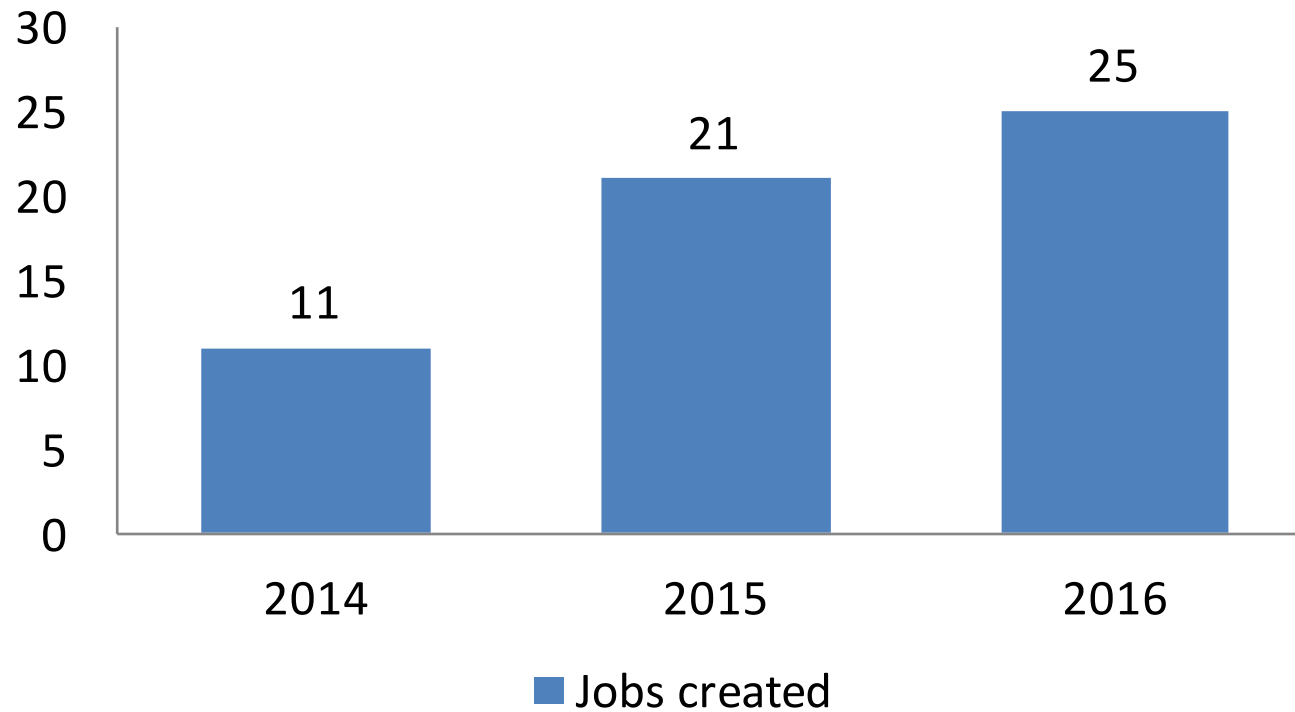
Title: Right to Earn a Living

# Bridge of Hope NGO

Founded in 1996, Bridge of Hope is a non-profit organization located in Armenia that is dedicated to the protection of the rights of children and youth with both physical and intellectual disabilities.



# FACTS & FIGURES



\*Beneficiaries from 2014 to 2016: **120**

# PROBLEMS TARGETED

- Lack of access to education and vocational training for people with disabilities
- Attitudinal barriers of society, family members, and the prejudices of employers
- Imperfectness of institutional mechanisms ensuring equal opportunities of employment

# SOLUTION & METHODOLOGY

- Advocacy and awareness-raising campaigns
- Civic Synergy Platforms
- Collaboration between employment agencies, NGOs, and micro-finance institutions
- Vocational education for youth with disabilities
- Accessible educational materials.

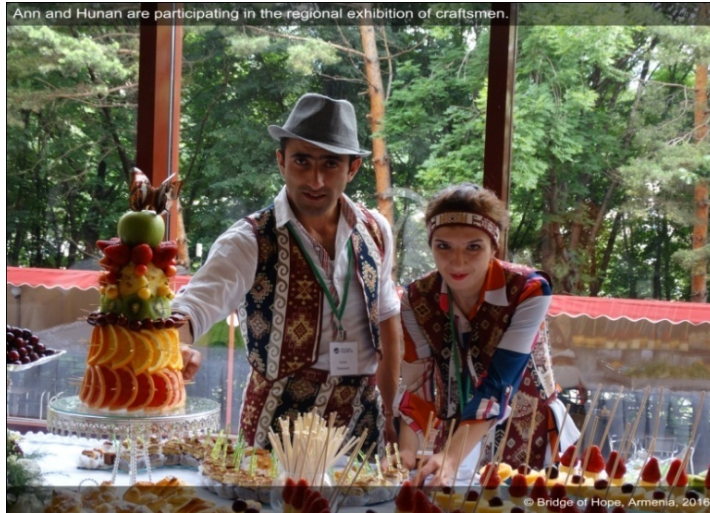
# OUTLOOK & TRANSFERABILITY

The project's operational cost amounts to  
**€321,873** for the three years

Bridge of Hope is working on getting the project  
model **approved and adopted by government**  
authorities

In order **to replicate** this model and expand it  
across the country.

# Young people are employed or have their own businesses





# Quote



“Working places are not always suited to the needs of people with disabilities, but my employer has made the necessary adjustment, and currently I work at a TV company and am very happy there.”  
(Garik Jilavyan, Project beneficiary)



# Thank you

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