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ABSTRACT

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## **Communication Security – A New Topic for Public Policies**

According to the term "communicational security", it is referring to the process taking place between individuals, groups, communities, socio-professional communities etc., which is producing meanings, attitudes and behaviours based on which management, diversity, management and policies can be created or managed.

In order to approach this issue, we faced the need to establish a meta-language, which would be able to describe the communicational realities and the sociolinguistic implication. It must be mentioned that this kind of meta-language is not always the best way expressing the covered concepts our institute tries to propose.

This paper, therefore, is about communication that is considered as a process through which MESSAGES are transferred from an INTERLOCUTOR to an OTHER using sign codes, including the IDIOMAS.

The key concepts we shall use here are "communicational climate", "possible world", language, message, grammar, communicational context, communicational convention and dictionaries. All these terms are coming from the language research field and some of them are coming from the speech pragmatic as well. The whole paper terminology is including also elements from other areas because communication itself is covering globally the affluent society.

Not few of the current world crises are based on the lack of communication or even worse on misunderstanding. Moreover, many solutions concerning the crises management are found during "communication activities", i.e. peace talks, policies establishing, policies implementation, education and civil social activities for goals achievement.

In this case, this process can follow rules of use and also compatibility (concerning dictionaries and social meanings) has to be established. Here, an important aspect is the field of human rights. The respect of human rights means a balanced way if we consider, for example, the last European migration from new member states to old member states, and from non-member state to new member states. Great differences are registered here about dictionaries, perceptions, terminology etc. All these aspects can produce significant turbulences – not only in the recipient community but also for the individuals and/or people's country of origin.

The local administration in numerous countries, however, has already developed some assistance mechanisms, which are supposed to orient towards new coming groups to develop some activities and to create a new "intercultural dialogue". Consequently, a framework is needed for negotiating common issues, preventing intolerance, training new comers and observing community rules. This inter-cultural facilitation is based mostly on an activity of meta-communication that is accommodating linguistic and cultural dictionaries.

Quality and impact assessment means advising for coherent policies. Local mechanisms for communication management are building local systems that are developing programs for Communication Security – starting from ensuring more transparency for administration regulations and going to communication for effective campaigns for environment protection and reducing climate changes impact.

European experience concerning all these issues has to be shared and a cohesion policy has to be implemented. This objective cohesion can save a lot of funds that are used twice in native country and recipient country if we find a way to support local opinion leaders who assume the activity to promote/teach learned lessons for new coming groups or second level dissemination.

A solid action between citizens and administration is necessary here for creating and developing Communication Security Dictionary that is reducing discrimination, intolerance and punishing this kind of behaviour.