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UN WORKS WITH NGO TO CURB THE SPREAD OF AIDS

VIDEO

MARIAN AND GIRLFRIEND
WALK ABOUT IN THE CITY

MARIAN CLEANS AMBULANCE

AMBULANCE BEING WASHED

AMBULANCE AT NIGHT

GEORGINA WITH SOCIAL
WORKER

AUDIO

NARRATION

Marian Ursan rarely sees daylight as he spends much of his life cruising the streets at night-time. (6.50)

He works for an anti-aids organization, ARAS, an NGO that helps prevent the spread of sexually transmitted diseases among high-risk groups. (8.5)

MARIAN URSAN: (In English) **M**

"We work with an ambulance during the night, especially in many hot spots in Bucharest. We provide primary medical care..." (8)

NARRATION

Here in Romania's capital, an estimated 24,000 people – or one percent of the city's population – inject heroin. Many of them, sex worker (10.5)

Like 24-year old Georgina who comes from an upper middle class family... (4.5)

SOCIAL WORKER SHOWING
HOW TO DISINFECT

MALE SOCIAL WORKER: (In Romanian) **M**
“you will use this disinfectant before shooting, just once” (2.80)

DARK SHOT OF VAN'S
INTERIOR WITH GEORGINA
SITS

NARRATION
...an intelligent and well spoken woman, she has been working on the streets for the past 9 years... (5.25)

GEORGINA ON CAMERA

GEORGINA: (In English) **F**
“I started first with drugs... I saw the money, I was 15 and I thought, I want to make it one year, let's say one year, to get some money, and after that I finish. One year, one year, and one year after that...No, Finish” (18)

SEX WORKERS SILHOUETTES
IN THE DARK

NARRATION
Sex work remains illegal in Romania, which recently joined the European Union. Thirty percent of Bucharest's sex workers have been recently bought and sold by unscrupulous businessmen and criminal networks. (13)

GEORGINA WITH SOCIAL
WORKER

FEMALE SOCIAL WORKER: (In Romanian) **F**
“This is for disinfecting your skin before injecting. If you use after injecting you might be putting bacteria into your veins...” (7.30)

SEX WORKERS GET SUPPLIES

NARRATION
Marian works with a team that includes a medical

doctor, a psychologist, a social worker and a nurse. (6)

AMBULANCE AT NIGHT, IN
MOTION

VODA: (English) **M**

"We are going to an area where a group of teenagers are working..." (4)

VODA IN AMBULANCE ON
CAMERA

NARRATION

Voda, who works for the NGO is a former drug addict himself... (4)

CAR CLEANERS IN THE
STREET

VODA: (English)

"...cleaning windows for cars. They are waiting for us. All the group are injecting heroin." (10)

AMBULANCE MOVING AROUND
THE CITY

NARRATION

Every night, the ambulance follows a pre-arranged schedule of stops. Clients know exactly when and where to find the services they need.
(8.75)

CHRISTIAN CLEANS
WINDSHIELDS AT NIGHT

Clients like 20 year-old Christian, who cleans cars' windshields in order to buy heroin. He has been shooting up since he was 12 years old.
(9)

CHRISTIAN ON CAMERA

CHRISTIAN WORKING

CHRISTIAN: (Romanian) **M**

"Everything I earn I spend on drugs. All the money I earn. I managed to give up drugs after I was in the hospital, but I started again..." (9.5)

MARIAN URSAN: (English) **M**

MARIAN ON CAMERA

“We try to reduce risks.. If you’re talking about drugs, this is an illness; you cannot make changes overnight. It’s the same with sex workers. What do you expect? To stop going out every night? To find a job? It’s not so easy to find a job. It’s not so easy to earn money...” (18)

NARRATION

AMBULANCE CREW EAT AND
DRINK SODA AT OUTDOOR
RESTAURANT

The team ends its scheduled run. This is the time for unwinding, for looking back and forward. It’s an incredibly stressful activity. But their mission continues night after night assisting those who cry out for help in the streets of Bucharest. (18.5)

LOGO

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