TRANSNATIONAL PROJECTS TO PROMOTE LABOUR MARKET INTEGRATION UNDER THE ASYLUM, MIGRATION AND INTEGRATION FUND

Context

The European Commission launched at the end of 2017 a specific call for proposals under the Asylum Migration and Integration Fund to support labour market integration of migrants. The twelve projects selected and currently on-going are listed in detail below. In addition to this, other specific projects funded by EU on labour market integration of migrants are on-going, such as:

- Projects under other AMIF Union Action’s call for proposals – see complete list available on-line: List of transnational projects financed under AMIF Union Actions 2014-2018.
- Five projects funded by the Employment and Social Innovation programme for implementing fast track programmes for labour market integration of refugees and their family members. An overview of the projects can be found through this link.

1. LABOUR INT 2

LABOUR INT 2 aims to promote multi-layered and multi-stakeholder integration paths for recently arrived migrants and refugees across the EU, from arrival up to the workplace, passing through education, training and job placement, while building on the interest and capacities of employers, chambers of industry and commerce, trade unions and migrant associations. The action includes the follow up of the 3 national pilot actions that were initiated in its first edition and the development of further pilot actions in 2 additional countries, that present a favourable environment for multi-layered integration programmes.


Main partners:
- CEEP - European Centre of Employers and Enterprises providing Public services and Services of General Interest, Belgium
- CONFEDERATION EUROPEENNE DES SYNDICATS ADF, Belgium
- FORUM INTERNAZIONALE ED EUROPEO DIRICERCHE SULL'IMMIGRAZIONE, Italy
- Tiroler Soziale Dienste GmbH, Austria
- FISASCAT CISL MILANO METROPOLI, Italy
- Vocational Training Centre of the Hellenic Confederation of Professionals, Craftsmen & Merchants, Greece
- EUROCHAMBRES-ASSOCIATION DES CHAMBRES DE COMMERCE ET D'INDUSTRIE EUROPEENNES
- ASSOCIATION INTERNATIONALE, Belgium
- DGB BILDUNGSWERK NRW EV, Germany
- UILA CAMPANIA E NAPOLI, Italy
- Centre d'Education populaire André Genot, Belgium
- DIESIS COOP, Belgium
- ERGATIKO KENTRO ATHINAS, Greece

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1 The exact topic of the call was to promote the swift integration of Third Country Nationals (TCNs) into the labour market through strengthened cooperation and mobilisation of employers and social and economic partners.
2) ERIAS - European Refugees Integration Action Scheme

ERIAS is the European Chambers response to the labour market integration question of Third Country Nationals (TCN), including refugees. The 13 project partners from Spain, Italy, Greece, Bulgaria and France will reach out to their respective networks at European, national and regional level to well over 1500 stakeholders who will be informed about and/or associated to the activities. Over 350 TCN will benefit from 4 skills assessments, 25 trainings, 3 counselling and guidance activities, putting them on the employment path. On the enterprise side, over 500 enterprises will be informed and invited to contribute to the activities, via 8 workshops, 2 surveys, some 40 meetings, 1 matchmaking session and a yet undefined number of individual contacts.

Website: https://www.erias.org/activities/

Main partners:
- FORMAPER, Italy
- EUROCHAMBRES-ASSOCIATION DES CHAMBRES DE COMMERCE ET D’INDUSTRIE EUROPEENNES
- ASSOCIATION INTERNATIONALE, Belgium
- CAMARA OFICIAL DE COMERCIO, INDUSTRIA, SERVICIOS Y NAVEGACION DE ESPANA, Spain
- CAMARA OFICIAL DE COMERCIO INDUSTRIA Y NAVEGACION DE MALLORCA, Spain
- CAMARA OFICIAL DE COMERCIO INDUSTRIA, SERVICIOS Y NAVEGACION DE VALENCIA, Spain
- SDRUZHENIE BULGARSKA TARGOVSKO-PROMISHLENA PALATA, Bulgaria
- Haskovo Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Bulgaria
- CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY OF STARA ZAGORA BULGARIA, Bulgaria
- Greek Association of Women Entrepreneurs (S.E.G.E.), Greece
- CHAMBER OF CHALKIDIKI, Greece
- KEK TEHNIKES SHOLES EPIMELITIRIOU IRAKLEIOU, Greece
- CHAMBRE DE COMMERCE ET D’INDUSTRIE DE REGION BRETAGNE, France
- FISASCAT CISL MILANO METROPOLI, Italy

3) NewTalents4Eu

Through the NewTalents4EU project, market-focused and validated training schemes in coding/programming skills and enterprises networking will be implemented by non-profit organisations and social enterprises across four EU countries, offering a skilled workforce of 80 refugees in the demanding IT sector.

Website: https://simplon.co/refugies-primo-arrivants/

Partners:
- Simplon.co, France
- Code Your Future, UK
- Co&So, Italy
- Migrants’ Help Association of Hungary
- DIESIS COOP, Belgium

4) ETCC - EMPLOYER TAILORED CHAIN COOPERATION

The project aims to produce four sets of practical recommendations meant for the operational level on how to tailor chain cooperation to the needs of employers, corresponding to the four pillars of this chain (Screening, Gap Bridging, Matching and Sustainability). Every part will aim to design how an efficient national or regional approach could look like, supported by concrete good practices.
5) **MILE - Migrants Integration in the Labour market in Europe**

MILE aims to develop and implement a model of integrated services supporting TCNs’ work inclusion, based on employer’s needs as well as on the cultural, social and economic needs of the migrants. It is based on a transnational partnership of private and public organisations in 5 cities of 4 EU Member States and will focus on the capacity building of 60 partner employers in the EU, the support to 520 vulnerable TCNs to enhance their professional inclusion and the dissemination of the results at local and EU level.


Main partners:

- ISTITUTO COOPERAZIONE ECONOMICA INTERNAZIONALE ASSOCIAZIONE, Italy
- AGENZIA METROPOLITANA PER LA FORMAZIONE, L'ORIENTAMENTO E IL LAVORO, Italy
- EMIT FELTRINELLI, Italy
- HELLENIC OPEN UNIVERSITY, Greece
- OLYMPIAKI EPAIDEFTIKI KAI SYMVOULEFTIKI EPE, Greece
- FUNDACION ACCION CONTRA EL HAMBRE, Spain
- FUNDACIÓ FUTUR, Spain
- VEREIN MULTIKULTURELL, Austria

6) **MIraGE - Migrant Integration for Growth in Europe**

The MIraGE project intends, on one hand, to substantially increase European employers’ interest in employing migrant workforce within their staff, and on the other hand, to test and promote an innovative multi-stakeholder working method for approaching the integration of TCNs in the labour market. It is carried out by a multi-stakeholder partnership composed of 9 CSOs, 1 Chamber of Commerce, 1 trade union, 1 vocational education centre and 1 training provider from 8 EU countries.

Website: [www.wcif-bg.org](http://www.wcif-bg.org)

Main partners:

- FONDATSIYA RABOTILNITSA ZA GRAZHDANSKI INITSIATIVI, Bulgaria
- LAI-MOMO SOCIETA' COOPERATIVA SOCIALE, Italy
- CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY OF STARA ZAGORA BULGARIA*, Bulgaria
7) In2C - Integration of Third-Country Nationals in the Construction sector

The In2C project aims to facilitate and foster early and effective integration of TCNs in the construction sector’s labour market through an integrated training. 400 TCNs will benefit from a training package to improve their job-related language skills and their knowledge of national and EU policies in their professional field. The project also aims to set-up networking activities in order to match the 400 partner employers with TCNs through focus interventions and innovative tools.

Website: http://teelar.gr

Main partners:
- Technical Chamber of Greece, Regional Department of Central and Western Thessaloniki, Greece
- DIMITRA EKPAIDITIKI SIMVILITIKI AE, Greece
- DIMOS LARISEON, Greece
- FUNDACION LABORAL DE LA CONSTRUCCION, Spain
- ASOCIACION INSTITUTO EUROPEO DE ESTUDIOS PARA LA FORMACION Y EL DESARROLLO, Spain
- Federation of the Building Contractors Associations of Cyprus
- M.M.C MANAGEMENT CENTER LIMITED, Cyprus
- STIFTELSEN KURSVERKSAMHETEN VID U-AUNIVERSITET, Sweden
- Sverige Stroj AB, Sweden

8) LIME - Labour Integration for Migrants Employment

The LIME project aims to increase refugees’ integration outcomes by creating and implementing skills certification and recognition processes in southern Europe. Its activities will include the creation of sustainable transnational partnerships between key-actors to foster the development of tools, capacity building and experience exchanges to support refugee integration, the publication of a Best practises guide on skills certification and recognition in southern Europe and the assessment of the professional skills of refugees’ inclusion in tailored learning offers or on-the-job training.

Website: https://www.cies.it/progetti/lime-labour-integration-for-migrants-employment/

Main partners:
- Centro Informazione e Educazione allo Sviluppo -CIES onlus, Italy
- ASSOCIATION DES AGENCES DE LA DEMOCRATIE LOCALE, France
- CONFCOOPERATIVE - UNIONE PROVINCIALE DI ROMA CAPITALE, Italy
- Federación de Plataformas Sociales Pinardi, Spain
- ASOCIACIÓN GUARANÍ DE COOPERACIÓN PARAGUAY ESPAÑA, Spain
The project Work4Integration – Europe, which will be implemented in Italy, Sweden and Belgium, wants to promote early and effective integration of TCNs in the labour market. Demand-oriented services will be developed for TCNs in every country. On the other side, activities for awareness creation and active involvement of companies will be realized. Finally, the project will promote the exchange of methods and practice among partners and the promotion of capacity building related to labour integration of TCNs through the elaboration of a unified action model that will be the basis to define the partners’ future strategy.

Website: [https://program4integration.org/work4integration](https://program4integration.org/work4integration) and [www.soleterre.org](http://www.soleterre.org)

Main partners:

- SOLETERRE-STRATEGIE DI PACE ONLUS, Italy
- RANDSTAD ITALIA SPA, Italy
- FONDAZIONE SODALITAS, Italy
- Fondazione punto.sud, Italy
- FONDAZIONE L ALBERO DELLA VITA ONLUS, Italy
- Randstad Belgium NV, Belgium
- VLAMSE DIENST VOOR ARBEIDSBEMIDDELING EN BEROEPSOPLEIDING, Belgium
- Antenn Consulting AB, Sweden

10) E.M.M.E. - Enterprises Meet Migrants for Employment 2017

The EMME project envisages a transnational partnership composed by key actors in the field of labour market integration, private employment services, and representations of enterprises, education and vocational training in Italy, the United Kingdom and Spain. In each country, activities will be implemented to engage enterprises and to facilitate the access to work for TCNs. The employers’ needs in terms of necessary skills of employees will be identified and taken into consideration to train 300 TCNs at EU level. France, Germany and Belgium will be also involved in the dissemination process.

Website: [www.coopcenacolo.it](http://www.coopcenacolo.it)

Main partners:

- IL CENACOLO SOCIETA' COOPERATIVA SOCIALE, Italy
- Co&So, Italy
- Confcooperative Toscana, Italy
- Fondazione Adecco per le Pari Opportunità, Italy
- Bridges Programmes, UK
- Glasgow Clyde College, UK
- UNIVERSIDAD DE ALMERIA, Spain
- ALMERIA ACOGE, Spain
- Rambla Business Solutions, S.L, Spain
- GLASGOW CITY COUNCIL, UK
11) IMMIJOBS - Building the Capacity of Intermediary Organizations to Support the Employment of Third Country Nationals

IMMIJOBS aims at developing training material and organising training courses addressed to 80 intermediary and Vet organisations on a series of themes related with labour market integration of refugees, who will then organise targeted action for employers, including information campaigns, trainings, the development of a web portal, and support to matching. Besides, in order to strengthen the work experience and work based training of the migrants, apprenticeships will be organised for 150 refugees based on the needs and the skills acquired in the local labour markets.

Website: www.ekapel.gr

Main partners:

- KENTRO EPAGGELAMTIKIS KATARTISIS TIS PERIFEREIAKIS ENOTITAS LESVOU AE, Greece
- ACTION SYNERGY SA, Greece
- SDRUŽENIE BULGARSKA TARGOVSKO-PROMISHLENA PALATA, Bulgaria
- National Centre for Vocational Training within Chambers of Commerce and Industry in Bulgaria
- CENTRO INTERNAZIONALE PER LA PROMOZIONE DELL’EDUCAZIONE E LO SVILUPPO
- ASSOCIAZIONE, Italy
- Employment and Vocational Training Center & Technology of Samos, Greece
- Pro IFALL AB, Sweden
- Arbetsmarknadsförvaltningen, Sweden

12) BEST - Boosting Entrepreneurial Skills as Tool of integration of migrants to labour market

The BEST project is a joint endeavour of 8 partners from Austria, Slovenia, Croatia and Italy to improve the effective integration of 200 TCNs into the labour market through the implementation of social entrepreneurship trainings. It also aims at establishing an effective cooperation with public key-stakeholders such as Chambers of Commerce and Employment Services through capacity building and the definition & implementation of more efficient integration strategies. Outcomes will be transferred at EU level through a multilingual open source online platform.


Main partners:

- VEREIN ZUR FORDERUNG VON KULTURAUSTAUSCH UND NACHHALTIGKEIT IN EUROPA (GAIN&SUSTAIN:EUROPE), Austria
- FH JOANNEUM GESELLSCHAFT MBH, Austria
- UDRUGE CENTAR ZA MIROVNE STUDIJE, Croatia
- Pokreni ideju - Udruga za promicanje socijalnih inovacij, Croatia
- ZAVOD REPUBLIKE SLOVENIJE ZA ZAPOSLOVANJE, Slovenia
- ZNANSTVENOZISKOVALNI CENTER SOVENSKE AKADEMIJE ZNANOSTI IN UMETNOSTI, Slovenia
- Organization for International KOoperation and Solidarity Onlus, Italy
- FRIULI INNOVAZIONE CENTRO DI RICERCA E DI TRASFERIMENTO TECNOLOGICO SCARL, Italy