

# New in the Nordic countries

## Work inclusion of Migrants



October 17, 2018, 9.30 a.m. - 4.30 p.m.  
Malmö Live, Dag Hammarskjölds torg 2 Malmö, Sweden

### Preliminary Program

**9:00 - 9:30** Registration

**9:30 - 9:35** Welcome address and inspiration for the day

Moderator: Jens Berg

**9:35 - 9:45** Introduction

Christina Springfeldt, Head of Department for Health and Social Affairs at the Nordic Council of Ministers

**9:45 - 10:00** Nordic cooperation on integration – Clearing Centre

Kristin Marklund, Project Manager, Nordic Welfare Centre

**10:00- 10:20** Launch of OECD and UNHCR Action Plan

Henrik Nordentoft, UNHCR Regional Representative: Engaging with employers in the hiring of refugees - A 10-point multi-stakeholder action plan for employers, refugees, governments and civil society.

**10:20 - 10:50** Coffee

**10:50 - 11:20** Differences and similarities between the Nordic countries' work on integration

Patrick Joyce, Researcher, Ratio and Jon Rogstad, Research Director, Fafo

**11:20 - 11:45** Effective employment efforts for traumatized refugees

Mette Blauenfeldt, Danish Refugee Council

Magnus Sjöberg, Social Service Malmö

**11:45 - 12:20** Best practice from the Nordic countries



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## **A) New arrivals as a resource for municipalities with an aging population.**

Hjördis Rut Sigurjónsdóttir, Nordregio and Marianne Solbakken, The Centre of Competence on Rural Development (Distriktssenteret) in a discussion with med Peter Bergman, Åre municipality about demographic vulnerability and how facilitate immigrants' settlement in municipalities with a declining and aging population.

## **12:20 - 12:50 Best practice from the Nordic countries**

### **B) Job Tracks - Nordic Solutions**

Heads of Integration and job consultants from different municipalities and regions in the Nordic region present effective solutions for labour market inclusion for refugees. Jakob Hein, Job Consultant in Frederiksberg Municipality tells about their successful integration work and the Danish integration model Branchepakke. Sam Yildirim from the County Administrative Board in Stockholm on Sfx, Swedish for professionals, which goal is to shorten the path through the educational system, and the time it takes before a refugee can start working in their profession or start their own businesses.

## **12:50 – 13:45 Lunch**

## **13:45 – 14:30 Parallel workshops, part 1**

### **1. Foreign-born women's establishment in the labour market**

Christina Merker-Siesjö, Yalla Trappan Malmö, Razan Haugaard, Neighbourhood Mothers in Denmark, Jill Terserus, Jobbsjansen in Bergen and Hedvig Stahre, Swedish Public Employment Service discuss how we best help foreign born women into the Nordic labour markets.

### **2. How to Help Refugees get into work fast**

Alexander Decerein, Labour Market and Adult Education Unit Gothenburg, Lise Plougmann Willer, Esbjerg Municipality and Kalle Ojanen, Turku Vocational Institute on how to shorten the way to work for immigrants.

### **3. Municipalities that successfully integrate new arrivals in to the labour market - what are the success factors?**

Discussion with representatives from the Association of Local Authorities and Regions in the Nordic Region.

## **14:30 - 15:00 Coffee**

## **15:00- 15:45 Parallel sessions, part 2**

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## **15:45 - 16:20 Zinat Pirzadeh, Iranian Swedish comedian.**

## **16:20 - 16:30 Closing remarks**

## **16:30 - 17.45 Mingle**