Connecting Communities Empowering Transitions





Module 4

Economic Integration and Empowerment







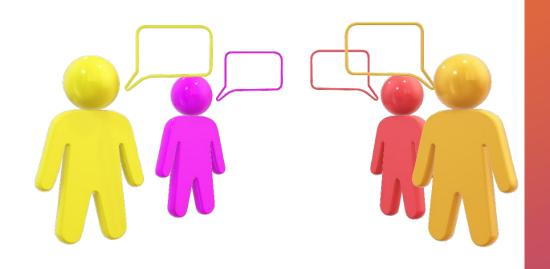
What to expect

• The aim of module 4 is to equip you with the tools and insights that you will need to effectively support migrants in their economic integration in their new country.

- Recognise economic challenges faced by migrants when integrating into the labour market
- •Examine methods to integrate young people into communities through employment opportunities



Migrants face unique economic challenges when trying to integrate into a new country



1. Language Barriers



Language Skills

- Language barriers can hinder the migrants' ability to navigate the labour market in their host country
- By offering language classes or coffee mornings, you can significantly enhance the economic prospects of young people that you work with.



2. Recognition of their qualifications



Qualifications and Talents

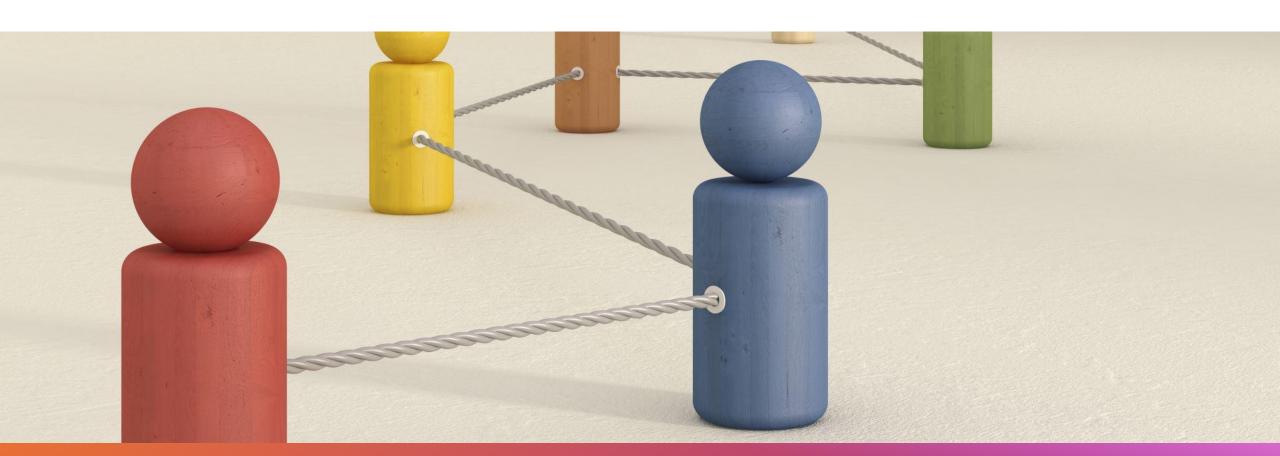
- When accessing the labour market, employers often staff with essential qualifications.
- NARIC Ireland provides advice on the academic recognition of foreign qualifications.
- The National Centre for Information and Documentation (NACID) in Bulgaria supports this process.



3. A lack of social connections

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- References and recommendations play an important role in helping us to secure a job.
- What would you do if there was no one that you could call?





4. Financial Literacy

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- Navigating a new country with a new currency can be challenging
- Often migrants struggle with budgeting, banking, taxes, and financial services that are available to them.
- How do you best support them?



Can you think of any other challenges that they face?





Job Search Assistance

Once settled many migrants often need help and support in looking for work in their local communities.



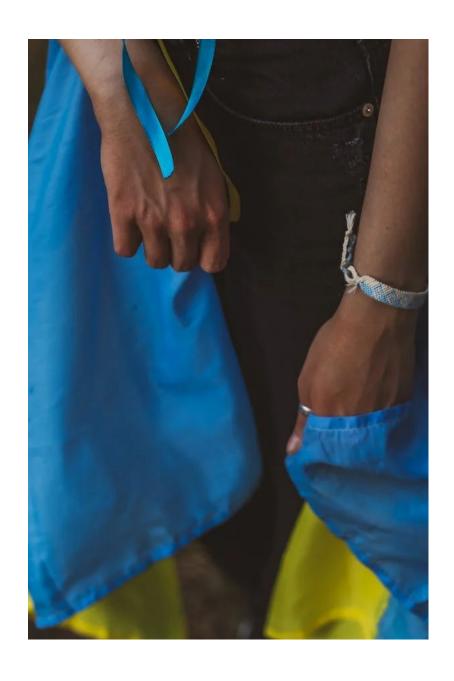
Useful European websites include

- Eures
- Eurojobs
- European Language Jobs



Action Plan

- Encourage young people to develop individualized action plans using SMART goals
- Through setting Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic and Time-bound goals, it supports them to be accountable for their actions.
- Providing follow-up opportunities will enable them to ask for help or clarifications if required.



Skill Development

- Supporting migrants to develop their skills is important to their economic integration
- To do this, we can
 - Identify their skills gaps
 - Facilitate access to training programmes
 - Provide them with courses for the development of their skills.

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