



**Project title:**  
Migrant Talent Garden

Country	Project partner status	Institution	Type of institution	City
Lithuania	Lead partner	Active Youth Association	NGO	Kaunas
Bulgaria	Beneficiary partner	Hemus Technologies	Private	Sofia
Croatia	Beneficiary partner	Zagreb Entrepreneurship Incubator	NGO	Zagreb
Greece	Beneficiary partner	European Institute for Local Development	Private	Thessaloniki
Latvia	Beneficiary partner	Baltic Arab Chamber of Commerce	NGO	Riga
Iceland	Expertise partner	Reykjavik Red Cross	NGO	Reykjavik
Norway	Expertise partner	Caritas Norway	NGO	Oslo

## ABOUT THE PROJECT

**WHY:** Young people with a non-EU background (migrants) have a harder time than others to find a good job or establish a business. While training and support centres exist, none of these focus on the specific challenges of migrants.

**WHAT:** The project partners will study what is being done on entrepreneurship support in Europe today and create a business support network and training programme. In addition, they will set up an online platform and local centres to support and train young entrepreneurs with migrant background. This will help migrants develop their own business ideas and create new jobs.

**PROJECT DURATION (months):**  
48

**GRANT AMOUNT:**  
TBD

**AREAS OF SUPPORT:**

INNOVATION AND  
EXPLORATION,  
ANALYSIS AND  
RESEARCH

Target groups:

- Young entrepreneurs of migrant background
- Asylum-seekers

## ABOUT THE FUND

The €60 million EEA and Norway Grants Fund for Youth Employment supports transnational project initiatives that promote sustainable and quality youth employment in Europe. The focus on transnational cooperation reflects the view that unemployment among youth is a common European challenge and common European solutions should therefore be explored.

The fund seeks to complement existing EU funding on youth employment initiatives, e.g. the long-term unemployed in the age group 25-29.

The selected projects aim to:

- Make it easier for 25 000 young people to find a job
- Create 3500 jobs in NGOs and social enterprises
- Help 1800 young people start up their own business

The 27 selected projects involve partners from all the 15 beneficiary countries of the EEA and Norway Grants as well as Ireland, Italy and Spain – all countries with high youth unemployment. The projects also include expertise partners from the donor countries Iceland and Norway as well as two international organisations and other EU member states.

[www.eeagrants.org/youthemployment](http://www.eeagrants.org/youthemployment)

## ABOUT THE EEA AND NORWAY GRANTS

The EEA and Norway Grants represent the contribution of Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway to reducing economic and social disparities and to strengthening bilateral relations with 15 EU countries in Central and Southern Europe and the Baltics. For the period 2014-2021, the total contribution is €2.8 billion (EEA Grants €1.5 billion and Norway Grants €1.3 billion).

Under the EEA Agreement, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway are part of the European internal market. The EEA Agreement sets out the common goal of working together to reduce social and economic disparities.

