International Organization for Migration (IOM)
The UN Migration Agency

LINK IT:
Linking pre-departure and post-arrival support to facilitate the socio-economic integration for resettled refugees in the EU

What is LINK IT ?

LINK IT is an innovative project aimed at delivering better integration outcomes for Syrian refugees resettled from Jordan, Lebanon and Turkey to Germany, Portugal, Romania and the United Kingdom. The project focuses on strengthening the link between pre-departure and post-arrival integration support for refugees.

LINK IT activities will aim to develop and pilot a pre-departure skills assessment tool to capture the skills profile of resettled Syrian refugees, organize information sessions to host communities, produce information videos sharing experiences of resettled refugees and offer tailored post-arrival support to refugees.

Through strong partnerships in participating member states, the project will deliver innovative pre-departure and post-arrival integration measures throughout the integration continuum and facilitate mutual learning and exchange among partners.

Lead Agency
IOM, The UN Migration Agency

Partners
International Catholic Migration Commission (ICMC)
British Refugee Council (RC)
Asociatia Serviciul Iezuitilor Pentru Refugiatii Din Romania (JRS Romania)
Caritasverband Fur Die Diozese Hildesheim E.V (Caritas Friedland)
Conselho Portugues Para Os Refugiados CPR (CPR)

Duration
18 months from 15th January 2018 to 15th July 2019.

Countries

Pre-departure activities will be implemented in 3 countries in the MENA region hosting Syrian Refugees: Jordan, Lebanon and Turkey.

Post-arrival activities will be implemented in 4 EU member states receiving Syrian Refugees: Germany, Portugal, Romania and the United Kingdom.

What does LINK IT offer

Pre-departure activities: development and pilot of a skills assessment of Syrian refugees based on a profile tool developed within the project. Data gathered from the pilot will be shared with relevant stakeholders to inform post-arrival integration policy measure

Post-arrival integration support: development of a post-arrival orientation curriculum and organization of training activities for resettled refugees with support from partner NGOs; a curriculum to train volunteer mentors is also envisaged.

Preparing host communities: development of tailored curricula and training to support local authorities and employers reducing the adjustment period for resettled refugees and strengthening integration services.

Pan-European activities: best and innovative practice sharing and mutual learning between trans-national, regional, national authorities and civil society organizations in the participating countries.

Get in touch

The **LINK IT** project is managed by the IOM office in London, UK with the support of IOM offices in participating locations and in coordination with the project partners.

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