

## Job and Employability Support for Migrants



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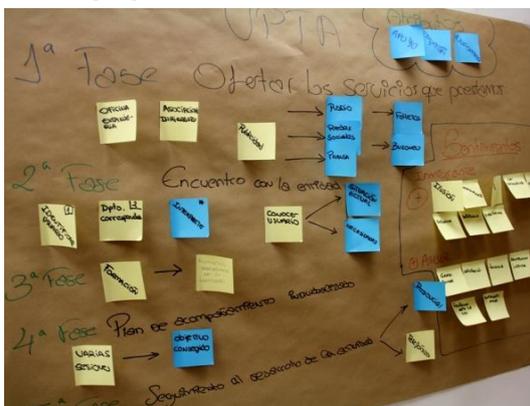
### Our Summer News

#### 4th JEM meeting in Madrid on Learning Languages and Entrepreneurship

The last meeting of the JEM project took place from the 9th to 10th of April 2015 in Madrid. It was a valuable workshop with a variety of trainers who highlighted key issues on the integration of migrant workers, mainly focusing on language and entrepreneurial skills.

Isabel Contreras from Spain initiated the workshop with an exercise in design thinking. All participants worked hard in the planning of processes while also having fun playing with lots of post-it notes!

The second presentation was delivered by Jenny Verney who gave a hands-on workshop about learning languages. Participants enjoyed introducing themselves in a second language and were invited to discuss the barriers they may have encountered in the past when learning a new language.



People thoroughly enjoyed making connections while practicing several languages!

Soon after Lyn Batchelor taught all participants how to introduce themselves in a more efficient way using what she calls a "Verbal Business Card". Lyn showed us that a simple introduction can be very effective and that storytelling can be as memorable as your best holidays!

Other trainers from France and the UK also contributed to the discussion. The final evaluation indicated that all participants would recommend the workshop. All participants left the event in high spirits and with new connections across Europe.



## Information Corner

### Meeting the health literacy needs of immigrant populations ("MEET")

MEET involves partners from various levels of health promotion and different immigration contexts to introduce the Community Health Educator Model ("CHE") adopted by many health districts in the UK.



For further details of the project, click [here](#).

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### Labour exploitation of workers from EU member states

This report identifies various criminal forms of severe labour exploitation of workers who move from one EU Member State to another or from a third country. It highlights challenges faced in making the right working conditions and to support member countries to prevent severe labour exploitation.

Click [here](#) for the full report.



### NHS surcharge for immigrants in the UK

From April this year, the current UK government has introduced a surcharge for immigrants from outside the EU to pay for NHS services.

Legislation coming into effect on 6 April means that nationals from outside the European Economic Area (EEA) coming to the UK for longer than six months will be required to pay a 'health surcharge' when they make their immigration application. It will also be paid by non-EEA nationals already in the UK who apply to extend their stay.



Details [here](#).

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### Detention of immigrants

Yarl's Wood Immigration Removal Centre is holding vulnerable women for too long in conditions that are causing them serious distress and are not suitable for those with mental health problems, according to a damning independent report.



The centre is officially an immigration removal centre, designed to hold people for a short period before they leave the UK. Unfortunately, many end up staying longer.

Read more [here](#).

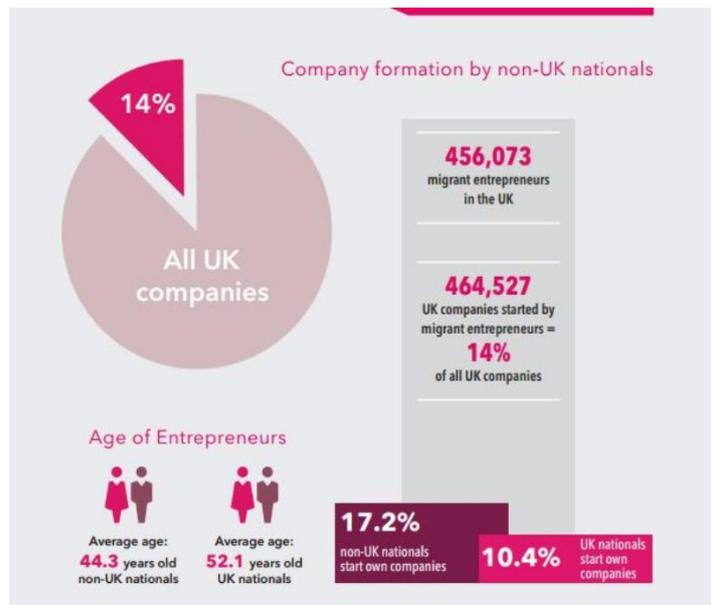
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## Migrant businesses generate jobs and opportunities for local people

While statistics show that 1 in 7 of all UK companies are founded by migrants, immigration is often debated in the UK and this report explores the contribution of migrant entrepreneurs to the UK economy.

Migrant businesses generate jobs and opportunities for local people, they form valuable social hubs, and they provide important services and goods for communities around the country. They give the UK a competitive edge in the global marketplace.

Read more [here](#).



Source: Centre for Entrepreneurs (CFE) and DueDil

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***“Imagine it’s 2014, you’re 21, Indian and you can’t find work. Would you want to emigrate to the UK – or elsewhere?”***

*“Yes. The UK remains a liberal place, one in which migrants should be proud to live and play an active part. For people who are willing to work hard and want to succeed, it is a great country.”*

Quote by: Perween Warsi, CBE, the Founder and Chief Executive of S&A Foods in the report *“Migrant Entrepreneurs: Building Our Businesses Creating Our Jobs”* by the Centre for Entrepreneurs and DueDil.

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