Best practices in seasonal employment in different European countries

♣ Netherlands

EURES Slovakia started cooperating with EURES Netherlands in seasonal employment a couple of years ago. Due to a pandemic, we didn't know if we would continue the cooperation also this year. Fortunately, Dutch employers wanted to hire people from European countries and Slovak jobseekers were hungry for work abroad. We have received many different vacancies in agriculture, e.g. red currant harvesters, mushroom pickers, dairy workers etc. We published and promoted the vacancies on EURES Slovakia social networks. CVs obtained came mainly from students who wanted to earn money for university studies during July and August. There were 23 seasonal job vacancies with 188 positions in total. We sent 275 CVs to the Netherlands and placed 11 jobseekers there.



4 Hungary

The Hungarian employer first stopped at the EURES Slovakia office 2 years ago, but it was too late for hiring seasonal workers in agriculture sector. We promoted job offers, but seasonal employees were no longer available. This year we started with the promotion earlier and also within the presentations at secondary schools. Approximately 10 clients showed interest in this type of seasonal work. We managed to employ 2 students to sell watermelons in Hungary, with whom there was an excellent cooperation. As the employer plans to expand his fruit sales activities to the Austrian market, he will probably need our help again when recruiting new workers.



4 Germany

Cooperation between EURES Slovakia and EURES Germany in seasonal employment lasts for many years. The largest group of workers from abroad, located in the hotel industry in northern Germany, are Slovaks. At the beginning of July, we received feedback that this year more than 50 Slovak candidates managed to find work in the north of Germany, the Silesian-Holstein and Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania region. The vast majority were pupils and students for the July and August seasons. They worked mainly in the hotel and restaurant services such as cleaning, housekeeping, service staff, waiters and kitchen helpers.



₩ Week of action: This fruitful cooperation will be demonstrated in practice through videos from successful candidates promoted on EURES Slovakia social networks.