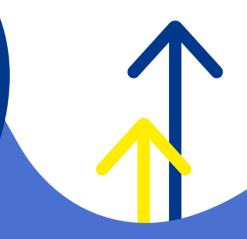
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An ad hoc EURES Coordination Group (ECG) meeting was held on 15 September 2022 online. As per the EURES Regulation, this ECG brought together the different European actors involved in the field of the free movement of workers: the European Labour Authority (ELA) as the European Coordination Office (ECO), the European Commission (DG EMPL and DG HOME) and the EURES National Coordination Offices (NCOs).

This ad hoc meeting was the opportunity for the ECG to discuss the latest developments of the EU Talent Pool Pilot initiative. The initiative is aimed at facilitating a successful labour market integration of the beneficiaries of the Temporary Protection Directive relate to the war in Ukraine. Participation in the Pilot Initiative is voluntary.

The Commission Legal Service concluded to the **legal feasibility** of using the EURES portal (hereafter 'the portal') as the implementation tool of the Pilot initiative if the following conditions are met:

- A separate landing page is created within the EURES platform, limited to beneficiaries of temporary protection in terms of access;
- The access granted to beneficiaries of temporary protection is limited to making their CVs available on the portal, but excludes direct access to automatic matching with existing job vacancies submitted under free movement legislation;
- The CVs of beneficiaries of temporary protection would clearly indicate their status as third country citizens not enjoying movement rights under Article 45 TFEU;
- The access to functionalities of the portal is limited to the duration of the Council Decision (EU) 2022/382 of 4 March (Temporary Protection Decision).

ELA presented the three major new technical componants added to the EURES portal:

- The initiative's landing page;
- The temporary protection identification on the profile/CV creation;
- The temporary protection identification on the European Job Mobility Portal.

ELA shared that Member States can join the communication campaign after 5 October, date of the next EURES CWG meeting (tbc), in case they need more time to decide on their participation to the initiative. Also, the communication materials are currently in preparation but will be shared with the Member States participating in the initiative once ready.

Although participating in the pilot initiative is on a **voluntary basis**, the Commission strongly encourages the Member States to take part in the pilot and show solidarity. As concrete **next steps**, DG EMPL and DG HOME called the countries interested to participate to confirm their participation in the pilot initiative, appoint their national organisation and to communicate it to the **National Coordination Offices** (NCOs).

A first webinar on the Talent Pool Pilot initiative, the Temporary Protection Directive and the new functionalities of the EURES portal will be on 29 September 2022. Further support will be provided to the Member States who participate in the pilot. Webinars and Q&A sessions will be offered on demand between October and November depending on Member States' participation and needs.

The next ECG Meeting is scheduled to take place in Prague on 14, 15 and 16 November 2022, hosted by the Czech Council Presidency.



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