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WORKSHOP 2 (WS2)

REFUGEE EDUCATION: SHARING EXPERIENCES

Good practices and new opportunities:
the inHERE project and EUA's work on refugee
inclusion



Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne
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Presentation of the host system This program is aimed at french speaking refugee students able to join the University courses and non-French speaking students who will benefit from a specific integration program with enhanced training in French Foreign Language (FLE). After a first session that began in October 2015, a second session has started on January the 11th. Description of the program: ► an integration week (from Monday 11th of January to Friday 15th of January 2016): - 20 hours of intensive French courses, levels A1 and A2 (cf. Common European Framework of Reference for Languages); - meetings with various representatives of the university: Department of International Relations, Language Department, International Student Association, the sports department... ► 12 weeks of training (From January to April 2016) : - 12h of French courses per week, levels A1 and A2 (cf. Common European Framework of Reference for Languages); - methodology and information retrieval workshops; - an introduction to various disciplines taught at the university; ; - access to the "learning French online" platform in the computer room of the Language Department. Conditions of eligibility ► be younger than 28 years old ► live in Ile-de-France ► have an educational plan in a program offered by the University Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne: in coherence with the studies already performed. As a whole, 111 students have been selected and joined the program this year (90 are following the intensive french course and 21 registered for license or master courses for the year 2015-2016). All the refugee students were exempted from national fees.

Website of your initiative

<http://www.univ-paris1.fr/en/international/accueil-des-etudiants-refugies/>

Yes, feel free to contact us.

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**Submit your university initiative via
<http://refugeeswelcomemap.eua.be>**

inHERE: Higher Education Supporting Refugees in Europe

- Information & inspiration
- Mainstreaming through collaboration & peer learning
- Guidance & training for HEI staff



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GOOD PRACTICE CATALOGUE



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LIVING LAB



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GUIDELINES FOR UNIVERSITY STAFF MEMBERS



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RECOMMENDATIONS

inHERE good practice catalogue (GPC)

What makes an initiative in refugee inclusion *good* practice?
Lessons learnt for improving the impact of other initiatives?

- GPC: Review of ALL 260+ cases on EUA's map
- Working definition of good practice:
 - Evidence based
 - Practice tested
 - Sustainable
 - Collaborative
 - Strategic and linked to the university mission
 - Transferable
- **NOT** quantity

GOOD PRACTICE CATALOGUE



Recognition of studies and prior learning



Access to higher education



Financial support for refugee students



Preparatory and bridging courses



Integration measures



Employment opportunities for refugee researchers and academic staff



Online learning for refugees



Strategic approaches



Employability support for refugee student



Humanitarian responses & community work



Collaborative approaches & projects

<http://www.inhereproject.eu/>



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What's next?

(Better) scholarship opportunities

- 25% on refugees welcome map – financial support for refugee students/researchers
- Good practice – more than a grant/fee waiver:
 - Consultation & guidance
 - Bridging/language/study skills courses
 - Study success – services & mentoring
 - Consideration of legal aspects & access relate consequences: e.g. protection status versus international student visa

Preview: EUA's proposal to the European Commission to establish a grant programme for refugees

“Erasmus+ welcoming international talent”

- refugees as direct beneficiaries of E+
- establish a specific Erasmus+ programme grant to support the placement of scholars and students with international protection status at European HEI
- support universities in scaling up their existing activities & support member states in their own integration efforts
- EU setting a clear signal internationally, and demonstrate its support to academic freedom, fundamental values and civic and human rights
- Scenarios developed by EUA – all tbc
 - TCNs with protection status in Europe or third country
 - Overarching support package - beyond a scholarship (see last slide)
 - Selection based on merit as well as on need for protection
 - Modelled after existing grant packages, as well as the good practices identified by current Erasmus+ KA2 and KA3 projects (...)

-> **publication 10 November 2017 in EUA's newsletter**

-> **call to all members and partners to support the policy proposal**

Links & further information

inHERE project

<http://www.inhereproject.eu/>

Good Practice Catalogue

<https://www.inhereproject.eu/outputs/good-practice-catalogue>

Browse EUA's Refugees Welcome Map

<http://www.eua.be/activities-services/eua-campaigns/refugees-welcome-map/>

Contribute to the Map

<http://refugeeswelcomemap.eua.be>

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