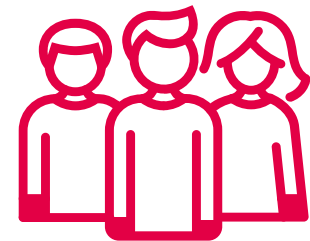


# Labour market integration of third country nationals

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# Agenda

## **Welcome & Introduction**

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## **Keynote presentation**

Marcel Stumpf, Saxon State Ministry for Economic Affairs, Labour and Transport (Germany), on 'Labour market mentors Saxony' (MILEstone)

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## **Interreg Europe good practices**

Oana Osanu, Maramureş County Employment Agency (Romania), about the good practice "Specific activities for the labour market integration of Ukrainian refugees in Maramures" (SIRM)

Alexander Grit, Hanze University of Applied Sciences Groningen (The Netherlands), about the good practice "Plan Einstein: living, learning and working together" (MILEstone)

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## **Panel discussion**

Joined by Margareta Capilinean and Paul Szaniszlo from Maramures County Council (SIRM)

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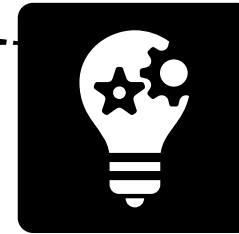
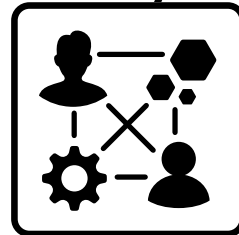
## **Wrap up & Conclusions**



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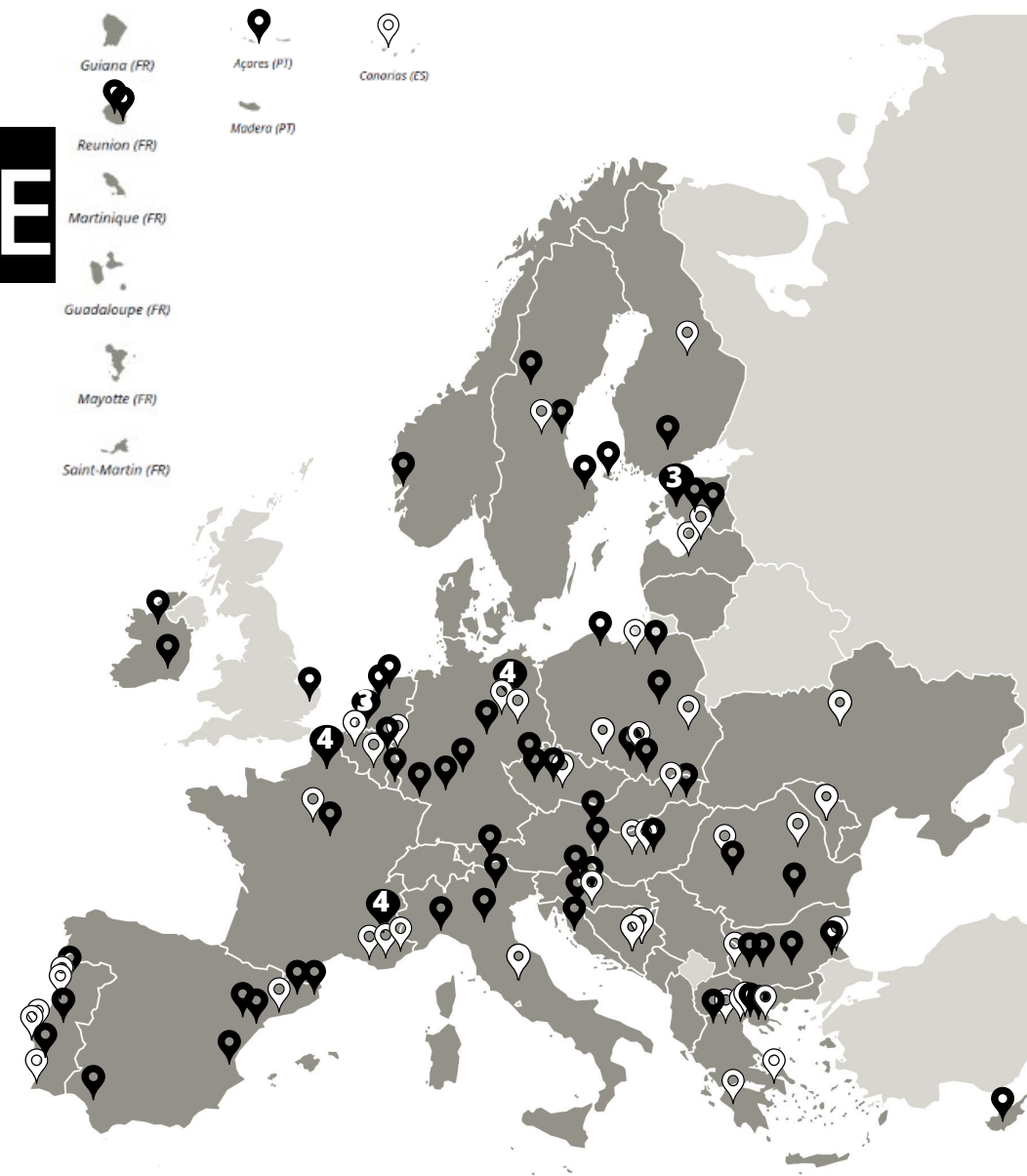
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# Peer review: Early school leaving and integration of NEETS into the labour market



## Regional Council of La Réunion, France

Peers from: Belgium, Italy, Lithuania, Malta, Netherlands, Slovenia, Spain

### Recommendations:

- Develop a comprehensive strategic plan co-created and shared
- Promote professional education positively and early
- Develop and reinforce the involvement of and collaboration with enterprises
- Better valorise the potential of the island as being an island
- Act more on dropout prevention

More information available [here](#)

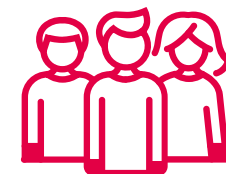


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# Matchmaking - Coworking in rural areas in Latvia

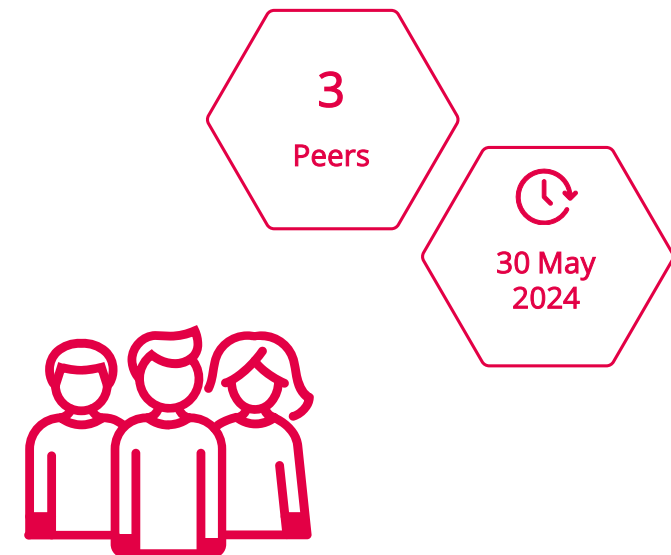
## ▶ University of Latvia

Peers from: Estonia, Sweden, Finland

### Recommendations

- Carry out a needs assessment among the primary target group to be certain that the coworking space caters to their needs.
- Define the business model of the co-working space according to the needs.
- Good community managers are key to the success of coworking spaces.

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# Labour market integration

- **Two major trends:**
  - The Ukrainian refugee crisis is the largest in Europe since WWII, with 4.3 million UA refugees recorded in EU
  - In the first ten months of 2023 alone, nearly a million asylum applications were submitted, marking a 21.3% increase from the previous year and the highest number since 2016.
- Migrants face **various barriers** to integration, including language and cultural unfamiliarity, uncertain residency status, insufficient education and housing options, and mismatches between skills and local job markets.
- Effective integration into the labor market is key, as it **reduces dependence on social services and fosters broader societal integration.**
- Migrants bring valuable skills and experiences, **potentially revitalizing regions** facing population decline and brain drain **City and municipal governments** play a crucial role in providing services and engaging with diverse communities.

# Migration and IR-E context

- Projects working on migration: **MILEstone, SIRM, SALAM, INVOLVIM**
- Projects focusing on the labour market and employment: **MICROFUTURE, WeSTEMEU, SECON, atWork4NEETs, RuralYouthFuture, RESEES, YESVolunteer**
- The goal is to share good practices for mutual learning.

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