

Initiatives to Support the Integration of Refugees from Ukraine

Venue: Martynas Mažvydas National Library of Lithuania and online

Date: 14 June 2022

9.30 – 10.00	Log-in and registration
10.00 - 10.15	Welcome remarks and introduction <i>Mr Arnoldas Abramavičius, Vice Minister of the Ministry of the Interior of Lithuania</i> <i>Mr Eitvydas Bingelis, Head of IOM Vilnius office</i> <i>H.E. Petro Beshta, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Ukraine to the Republic of Lithuania</i>
10.15 – 10.30	Keynote speech. Lithuania's response to the war in Ukraine. Case of Strong Together initiative <i>Mr Edmundas Jakilaitis, Founder of Strong together</i>
10.30 - 11.20	Panel 1. Initiatives to support accommodation <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Czechia: Regional assistance centres. One-stop-shop for provision of complete initial assistance for refugees from Ukraine. <i>Ms Lenka Čiček, Ministry of the Interior of the Czech Republic</i>➤ IOM: partnership with AirBnb.org. IOM and AirBnb.org work to connect people fleeing Ukraine to free, short-term housing in Poland, Moldova, Romania, Hungary and Slovakia. <i>Ms Diana Carolina Cordero-Scales, International Organization for Migration</i>➤ Moldova: response to the unprecedented number of arrivals from Ukraine <i>Ms Elena Coliujco, European Migration Network in Moldova</i>
11.20 – 12.00	Networking coffee

<p>12.00 - 12.50</p>	<p>Panel 2. Initiatives to support employment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Lithuania: experience of the Lithuanian Employment Service in assisting refugees from Ukraine to find a job in Lithuania. <i>Ms Inga Balnanosienė, Director of the Lithuanian Employment Service</i> ➤ Poland, Czechia and Slovakia: workania.eu. Job search portal which offers employment suitable for people fleeing the war in Ukraine. <i>Mr Martin Menšík, Marketing manager at Profesia, spool.s.r.o.</i> ➤ Latvia: State Employment Agency's involvement integrating Ukrainian refugees into Latvian labour market. <i>Ms Evita Simšone, Head of the State Employment Agency</i>
<p>12.50 – 13.40</p>	<p>Panel 3. Initiatives to support education and children activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Lithuania: Situation of unaccompanied children from Ukraine in Lithuania <i>Ms Agnė Marčiukaitienė, State Child Rights Protection and Adoption Service</i> ➤ Poland: Challenges and lessons learnt related to education and children enrolment to schools <i>Ms Małgorzata Skórka, Counsellor at the International Cooperation Department, Ministry of Education and Science</i> ➤ Lithuania: Support and integration of Ukrainian children <i>Mr Laurynas Šeškus, Founder of Ukrainian Kids in Lithuania</i>
<p>13.40 – 14.00</p>	<p>Conclusions and networking coffee</p>