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# EMN BELGIUM NATIONAL CONFERENCE Skills Mobility Partnerships

Wednesday 1 June & Thursday 2 June 2022

Résidence Palace (Brussels) or online

## Agenda

*EMN Belgium, in cooperation with Enabel, the Belgian Development Agency and the International Organisation (IOM) for Migration Belgium & Luxembourg welcomes you to the national conference on Skills Mobility Partnerships. This event is the fruit of an intensive dialogue of EMN Belgium, Enabel and IOM Belgium and Luxembourg with local, regional, national and European stakeholders that are involved in the development of Skills Mobility Partnerships.*

## PRACTICAL INFORMATION

**Internet** Please use the wifi of Résidence Palace

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# AGENDA

**Hosts:** Grégoire Douchamps, Enabel, Belgian development agency and Daphné Bouteillet-Pacquet, International Organisation for Migration Belgium and Luxembourg

June 1, 2022: EMN Roundtable: Talent and Skills Mobility Partnerships – The European Dimension	
<b>12.30 – 13.30</b>	<b>Lunch / Technical check</b>
<b>13.30 – 13.45</b>	<b>Welcoming remarks</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Isabelle Raes</b>, National Coordinator, EMN Belgium</li> </ul>
<b>13.45 – 14.05</b>	<b>Legal Migration: Policy and Law – Presentation of the European Added Value Assessment</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Cecilia Navarra</b>, Policy Analyst, Directorate-General European Parliament Research Service, European Added Value Unit</li> </ul>
<b>14.05 – 14.20</b>	<b>Joint EMN – OECD Inform on Skills Mobility Partnerships – Presentation of key outcomes</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Alexander Spiegelfeld</b>, Research and Communication Associate, EMN Austria</li> </ul>
<b>14.20 – 15.30</b>	<b>EMN Roundtable: ‘Talent Partnerships: a policy discussion’</b> <b>Moderator: Melissa Siegel</b> , Head of Migration Studies and Head of the Migration and Development Research Section, UNU-Merit and Maastricht University <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Anita Vella</b>, Head of Unit, DG Home, Legal Pathways and Integration, European Commission</li> <li>▪ <b>Camilla Hagström</b>, Deputy Head of Unit, DG Intpa, Migration and Forced Displacement, European Commission</li> <li>▪ <b>Abir Al-Sahlani</b>, Member (Renew), LIBE Committee, European Parliament</li> <li>▪ <b>Antonín Seidel</b>, Head of Foreign Employment Unit, Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Czech Republic</li> <li>▪ <b>Bert Gabriëls</b>, Legal Migration, Cabinet of the State Secretary of Asylum and Migration of Belgium</li> <li>▪ <b>Jean-Christophe Dumont</b>, Head of the International Migration Division of the Directorate for Employment, Labour and Social Affairs, OECD</li> <li>▪ <b>Helen Dempster</b>, Policy Fellow and Assistant Director Migration, Displacement and Humanitarian Policy, Centre for Global Development</li> </ul>
<b>15.30 – 15.50</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>
<b>15.50 – 16.20</b>	<b>Moderated discussion</b>
<b>16.20 – 16.30</b>	<b>Concluding remarks</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Magnus Ovilius</b>, Chair of the European Migration Network, DG Home, European Commission</li> </ul>

June 2, 2022: Skills Mobility Partnerships in Belgium	
09.30 – 10.00	<b>Welcome with a coffee / Technical check</b>
10.00 – 10.15	<b>Welcoming remarks</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Marise Habib</b>, Chief of Mission, IOM Belgium and Luxembourg</li> </ul>
10.15 – 10.35	<b>Skills Mobility Partnerships Mapping – Presentation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <i>EMN Belgium</i></li> </ul>
10.35 – 11.30	<b>Panel: Lessons Learnt from Pilot Projects and Recommendations for Future EU Talent Partnerships</b> <b>Moderator: Christophe Van Hemelryck</b> , Policy Officer, EMN Belgium <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Raffaella Greco-Tonegutti</b>, Lead expert Migration and Development, Enabel, Belgian development agency</li> <li>▪ <b>Rob De Lobel</b>, Head of Labour Migration and Human Development Unit, IOM Belgium and Luxembourg</li> <li>▪ <b>Björn Gruber</b>, Head of Labour Migration and Skills Mobility Partnerships Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ, Germany)</li> </ul>
11.30 – 12.15	<b>Panellists' polling – Discussion with the public</b>
12.15 – 13.15	<b>Lunch break</b>
13.15 – 13.25	<b>Introduction to the afternoon</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <i>Hosts: Enabel and IOM Belgium and Luxembourg</i></li> </ul>
13.25 – 14.25	<b>Panel: Bridging the Gap between Talent and Employment</b> <b>Moderator: Tesseltje De Lange</b> , Director of the Centre for Migration Law, Radboud University Nijmegen <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Raffaella Greco-Tonegutti</b>, Lead expert Migration and Development, Enabel, Belgian development agency</li> <li>▪ <b>Davy Maes</b>, Policy Officer, Flanders Chamber of Commerce and Industry (VOKA West-Vlaanderen)</li> <li>▪ <b>Natalie De Filette</b>, Coordinator, International House Leuven</li> <li>▪ <b>Jamila El Masbahi</b>, Legal Counsel Economic Migration, Flemish Government (DWSE)</li> <li>▪ <b>Lenka Kint</b>, Strategic Account Manager International Relations, Flemish Employment Agency (VDAB)</li> </ul>
14.25 – 14.45	<b>Coffee break</b>
14.45 – 15.20	<b>Interactive Discussion with Public</b>
15.20 – 15.35	<b>Wrap Up: From Practice to Policy</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Tesseltje De Lange</b>, Director of the Centre for Migration Law, Radboud University Nijmegen</li> </ul>
15.35 – 15.45	<b>Concluding remarks</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Liana Hoornweg</b>, Director Sectoral &amp; Thematic Experience, Enabel, Belgian development agency</li> </ul>
15.45 – 16.45	<b>Networking event</b>