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“Shared World. Integration of third state citizens in the Łódź Province”

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The “Shared World. Integration of third state citizens in the Łódź Province” project aims to include 600 foreigners (third state citizens) residing in the Łódź province (in areas targeted by the Project and their vicinity) in the greater Polish society based on the principles of equality, mutual respect and acceptance.

The “Shared World” project is targeting foreigners, immigrants, refugees and third state citizens from outside the EU. Our activities are being implemented within the Łódź province, in the towns of Zgierz, Pabianice, Piotrków Trybunalski and Bełchatów. Each of these towns hosts a Foreigner Advisory and Information Point employing an Advisory and Information Specialist. Their tasks include project recruitment, direct advisory and information-based support, as well as creating and proposing individual support plans for each project participant.

The Foreigner Advisory and Information Points are also employing multiculturalism assistants, helping the foreigners in adapting and adjusting to the life in new circumstances.

Our project offers the following forms of support:

Legal Advisory, including legal advice concerning labor law, family law, complex asylum procedures, residence cards and other matters. Our advisory services are provided in person, in towns covered by the project but also remotely, depending on one’s declared needs.

Psychological advisory for adults and children. Our advisory services are provided in person, in towns covered by the project but also remotely, depending on one’s declared needs.

Compensatory classes for children, including children with recognized disability conditions, and providing additional learning to help children adjust to Poland’s education system and to equalize learning opportunities.

Vocational advisory, including the creation of individualized action plans for all participants to assist them in finding a job.

Document translation, simultaneous interpreting when utilizing support (e.g. legal advisory)

Teaching the Polish language on all proficiency levels upon completing a verification test qualifying to various learning groups.

Economic advisory helping establish or maintain one’s economic activities in new circumstances, including the issues of obtaining funding, settling taxes or mandatory social security contributions.

Social support encompassing assistance in the purchases of food, medicine, household or cosmetic chemicals, clothing or shoes.



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The cycle of activities promoting active integration of foreigners:

- Active Socio-Cultural Integration Workshops, helping obtain social and cultural skills
- Integrational Events, encompassing cooking and artistic handicraft workshops supporting intercultural education processes
- 6 radio programs on integrating third country citizens and the perception of multiculturalism in Polish society
- 3 video essays on the integration of third country citizens and the perception of multiculturalism in Polish society

Our Advisory and Information Points are open on all working days during the following hours:

Monday 8.00 - 16.00

Tuesday 8.00 - 16.00

Wednesday 8.00 - 16.00

Thursday 12.00 - 20.00

Friday 12.00 - 20.00

The services may also be rendered at a different time, based on submitted needs.

If you're a refugee, immigrant or originate from outside the European Union

If you aren't participating in other projects targeting foreigners and live in one of the towns covered by this project or their vicinity

If you want to utilize the offered forms of support, get in touch with us!

Email: ethnos.lodz@gmail.com

Contact Information for the Advisory and Information Points:

Bełchatów : tel. 797669029

Pabianice: tel. 602857658

Piotrków Trybunalski: tel. 512621330

Zgierz : tel. 883791668

We ask for a prior notice by phone or email, which will help us establish visitation time and prepare the best possible offer and services.

TARGET GROUPS QUALIFIED FOR RECEIVING SUPPORT UNDER THE PROJECT:

- persons benefiting from the refugee or subsidiary protection status, as defined by the Directive 2011/95/EU;
- persons applying for one of the forms of international protection referred to in point (a) who have not yet received a final decision;



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c) persons benefiting from temporary protection within the meaning of Directive 2001/55/EC in conjunction with the decision implementing the temporary protection mechanism, i.e. Council Implementing Decision (EU) 2022/382 of March 4, 2022 establishing the existence of a mass influx of displaced persons from Ukraine within the meaning of Article 5 of Directive 2001/55/EC and having the effect of introducing temporary protection, in respect to persons referred to in Articles 2(1) and (2) of that Decision, by Council Implementing Decision (EU) 2023/2409 of October 19, 2023 extending temporary protection introduced by Implementing Decision (EU) 2022/382 and Council Implementing Decision (EU) 2024/1836 of 25 June 2024 extending temporary protection as introduced by Implementing Decision (EU) 2022/382;

d) persons being resettled or which have been resettled to or from a Member State, or persons being transferred or which have been transferred from a Member State.

l. Target group for the specific objective: legal migration and integration. For this specific objective, the target group is defined based on the area of activity implementation (within the EU or outside of it):

- actions outside the EU should focus on third-country nationals who comply with specific measures or conditions prior to their departure, as defined in Polish law and, where applicable, in EU law. Direct support measures may only be granted to persons able to document their future stay in Poland, e.g. those holding a repatriation visa or a resettlement visa for a member of repatriate's immediate family, a visa for exercising rights arising from possession of the Card of the Pole (Karta Polaka), an entry visa, a confirmation of admission to a university, a confirmation of undergoing university studies in Poland or a statement of intent to employ a foreigner submitted by a Polish employer and registered with the district (powiat) labor office;

- actions taking place within Polish territory:

1. Foreigners who are not EU citizens and who are legally residing in Poland, in accordance with provisions of the Act of December 12, 2013 on foreigners (Journal of Laws 2017, item 2206, as amended):

- on the basis of the visa referred to in Art. 60(1) pts. 4–6, 9–13, 17, 18a–21, 23–25,



- on the basis of a temporary residence permit, permanent residence permit (Art. 195, with the exception of §1pt. 6a, however, this exclusion does not apply to persons granted residence on humanitarian grounds),
- on the basis of an EU long-term resident's residence permit (Art. 211),
- on the basis of a document confirming possession of a permit for tolerated stay called "zgoda na pobyt tolerowany" (Art.226(1)),
- a residence permit granted for humanitarian reasons.

2. Children of above-mentioned persons (who are not EU citizens) born on Poland's territory or children of Ukrainian citizens staying in Poland's territory in accordance with Art. 32 of the Act of February 24 2022 on foreigners. Other children are subject to the requirements of pts. 1, 3, 4 and 6, as applicable.

3. Foreigners staying in Poland under the visa-free travel regime.

4. Spouses, ascendants, and descendants of persons belonging to above-mentioned groups 1-4,7 and 8, to the extent necessary for the effective implementation of activities, including citizens of Poland or other EU countries.

5. Non-EU citizens residing legally in Poland who have submitted an application for granting:

- a permanent residence permit (Art. 108),
- a temporary residence permit (Art. 206),
- an EU long-term resident's residence permit (Art. 223),
- extension of a Schengen or national visa (Art. 87) given for a reason specified in Art. 60 section 1, pts. 4-6, 9-13, 17, 18a-21, 23-25,
- extension of one's stay period under the visa-free travel regime (Art. 300)

and received a stamp in their travel documents confirming having applied for the permitting.

Foreigners who submitted such an application but didn't receive a stamp in their travel documents can receive support from the moment of obtaining the stamp.



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Despite the stamp not legalizing their stay by itself and merely confirming submission of the application and the legality of one's stay is dependent on legal provisions in force, there are no other means of officially confirming the legality of one's stay.

6. Foreigners who are not EU citizens and who are legally residing in the territory of the Republic of Poland, in accordance with the provisions of the Act of July 14, 2006 on the entry into the Republic of Poland, residence in and departure from its territory by citizens of EU member states and members of their families (Journal of Laws 2006, No. 144, item 1043):

- on the basis of residence rights for a period exceeding 3 months (Art. 18) or permanent residence (Art. 43).

7. Since January 1st 2021, citizens of United Kingdom residing in Poland legally.

The above excludes persons constituting target group for the EUAA specific objective under the Polish FAMI program.

Target groups for the EUAA and Legal migration and integration specific objectives: unless application documents stated otherwise, persons belonging to the EUAA specific objective target group can participate in projects targeting the Legal migration and integration specific goal.

Target group for the specific objective: Return comprises third country citizens residing in a Member State who do not fulfill the requirements for entry, presence, or residence in the territory of a Member State or ceased to fulfill them, including third country citizens whose date of expulsion was moved in accordance with Art. 9 and 14(1) of the Directive 2008/115/EC.

Document templates for project applicants:

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We have designed a direct support and comprehensive advisory program. Application to the project is possible at our Advisory and Information Points, where one can obtain individually focused support which also



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encompasses any special needs. These points allow meeting with advisory and information specialists and multiculturalism assistants who will both help put the participant on the right project path.

We provide legal and psychological advisory, including specialized counsel for women in difficult situations, crime victims, people with disabilities and children. We have organized compensatory classes helping adjust to Polish schools and to ameliorate differences between various education systems and catch up to coursework. Multiculturalism assistants are providing direct assistance in everyday functioning, contact with authorities, healthcare facilities, workplaces or schools. People struggling to speak Polish will be able to join language classes covering two proficiency levels. We also provide document translations if necessary.

Beginning in February 2026, we will launch socio-cultural activation workshops introducing the participants to the Polish social reality, culture and traditions. Those planning to launch their own economic activity **from February 2026** will be able to participate in a workshop teaching about creating a businessplan and acquiring necessary funds.

Throughout the duration of the entire project, we are carrying out professional activation activities for all adults through counseling and assistance in finding a job. People in a difficult situation can receive assistance in purchasing clothing, medicine, food and household chemicals.

Beginning in February 2026, we will launch integrational events encompassing culinary and handicrafts workshops.

Beginning in March 2026, we will launch Polish language courses.

The planned video essays and radio programs, addressed to the civil society and focused on preventing symptoms of racism or xenophobia, will be steadily published on the project's website and broadcast in local TV and radio. This will help better understand the process of including and integrating third country citizens into the civil society.

As a result of the action being taken among 600 foreigners (third country citizens), there will be an increase in the number of people capable of speaking Polish, knowledgeable about the basic social norms, citizen rights and obligations, ready to integrate with the civil society as its equal members. Awareness of the importance of integration processes and acceptance of cultural differences will increase among TV viewers and radio listeners, that is members of the majority society.

Results measurement and project evaluation will be carried out at every stage of project implementation.



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