

LJUBLJANA



The SiforREF team identifies Best Practices as innovative projects or initiatives that have proven to add value, can be mainstreamed into the existing ecosystem, and may be replicated in other regions.



**HOUSING
HOLISTIC MIXED**



**LABOR MARKET
INTEGRATION**



**TRAININGS
QUALIFICATIONS
APPRENTICESHIPS**



**SOCIAL AND
CULTURAL SERVICES
LEGAL COUNSELING**

BERLIN		<p>WORK FOR REFUGEES Assessment, job-placement, job fairs.</p> <p>INITIATIVE FOR SELF-EMPLOYMENT (I.S.I.) Entrepreneurship for migrant & refugee women.</p> <p>BRIDGE NETWORK General advice on labour market access</p> <p>EVEREST Apprenticeships for young adults.</p>	<p>FRAUENLOOP Training for IT specialists</p> <p>BRIDGE NETWORK Assistance in obtaining qualifications and finding employment. Apprenticeships for young adults & cooperation with employers.</p> <p>EVEREST Dual Training.</p>	<p>WELCOME CENTER Multilingual information and orientation center.</p> <p>EVEREST</p>
BOLOGNA	<p>CIAC Social & housing integration/ holistic, inter-cultural networks/ between refugee families and locals.</p> <p>S.A.L.U.S W SPACE Holistic, intercultural housing, small shops, construction, training and employment.</p> <p>VESTA Partnerships for unaccompanied minors/ care, housing, social integration.</p>		<p>SCHOOL4JOB Preparatory labour-market training for refugee/migrant youth.</p> <p>S.A.L.U.S W SPACE</p>	S.A.L.U.S W SPACE
LJUBLJANA		<p>SKUHNA Intercultural-social enterprise, restaurant/ catering, (mixed) culinary specific employment, training and storytelling.</p>	SKUHNA	<p>THE HUMAN LIBRARY Storytelling from the refugee/ minority population to counteract racism.</p>
PARMA	<p>ATLAS AT DINNER TIME Supports co-housing & culinary exchanges between Italian & refugee youth.</p> <p>WONDERFUL WORLD Secures housing along with services that assist in the path to integration.</p> <p>TANDEM A co-housing & social networking project co-operating with the project "Rifugiati in famiglia".</p> <p>COMMUNITY ORIENTED INITIATIVES In this project initiated by CIAC, Italian families host adult and underage refugees.</p>			<p>WONDERFUL WORLD</p> <p>ATLAS AT DINNER TIME</p>
VIENNA	<p>HAUS AWAT Provides labour market integration service & social support</p>	<p>HAUS AWAT</p> <p>MAGDAS HOTEL Creates apprenticeships, jobs and future prospects for refugees.</p> <p>WERKSTART Is an accessible gender-sensitive project for educationally disadvantaged women.</p>	<p>HAUS AWAT</p> <p>STAND 129</p> <p>MAGDAS HOTEL</p> <p>WERKSTART</p>	<p>STAND 129 Caritas- social integration, events – interaction activities with locals.</p>



THE PROJECT

Social Innovation for Refugees



(SiforREF) examines and tests solutions with the aim to support societal and labour market integration of refugees after their arrival in five Central European cities. Our team consists of researchers, representatives of local government and actors from civil society.

PARTICIPANT CITIES

- Venice, Italy, Lead Partner
- Berlin, Germany
- Bologna, Italy
- Ljubljana, Slovenia
- Parma, Italy
- Vienna, Austria

AIM

Our goal is that social innovative and inclusive measures for refugee integration become mainstream and institutionalised.

KEY INSTRUMENTS

Co-operation of key stakeholders at the local level, transnational cooperation and promotion of social innovation.



THE LJUBLJANA PROJECTS

The Best Practices outlined below fill the gap where additional and innovative support is still required in existing labour market integration and inclusion ecosystems.

1. SKUHNA

TIMELINE Launched in 2012

CATEGORY Labour Market Integration

PROGRAMME SUMMARY

Skuhna is a social enterprise that runs a restaurant providing authentic food from Africa, Asia and South America. The project's goals are two-fold: to increase the employability of migrants through culinary work and to bridge the understanding gap between migrants and locals who live in Slovenia. Migrants prepare food from their various countries of origin and present it to potential customer base of people willing to taste it. In addition, the migrants have the opportunity to tell their own stories, which is an important tool in intercultural education. Skuhna isn't just about food, it is about the stories of the food, the people who prepare it, the countries it comes from, and also the pots that are used. It is all about the story. While empowering migrants, Skuhna is also about enlightening people to diverse realities through food, migrant empowerment and global education.

<https://www.skuhna.si/>

PROGRAMME SUMMARY

SKUHNA creates work opportunities for individuals with limited access to the Slovenian labour market due to limited knowledge of the Slovene language. In addition, the project provides support and training in a workplace setting which enables overall growth and improvement for migrants. Currently, SKUHNA is the only migrant restaurant in Slovenia that combines food from all around the world in one place. People with different statuses have the opportunity to work there such as asylum seekers, refugees, undocumented migrants and local citizens.



2. HUMAN LIBRARY - ŽIVA KNJIŽNICA

TIMELINE Launched 2018

CATEGORY Social Integration

PROGRAMME SUMMARY

The method of the Human Library confronts the 'readers' with their own prejudices and stereotypical images and offers a concrete opportunity of face-to-face meeting with their own stereotypes. The 'books' in human library are actual representatives of different minorities, socially deprived groups or people that are facing prejudices in their lives, and are willing to speak about their experiences and share them with the visitors (readers) of the library. The main goals of such initiative are to highlight stereotypes, prejudices and negative consequences that exist in a certain society; to provide personal contact with diversity in a safe place; to raise awareness of the situation of socially stigmatized groups; to encourage a dialogue based on respect of human rights; to problematize and highlight the everyday reality of members of socially stigmatized groups, e.g. (women, Roma people, LGBT, migrants); and to promote a constructive and productive dialogue between the various partners who constitute civil society.

<https://www.ziva-knjiznica.si/>

PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

The Human Library presents an innovative method of active dialogue which raises awareness and helps to educate on the topics of human values, human rights and encourages debate on prejudices and stereotypes in society. It reinforces recognition of professional skills and visibility of refugees among members of local population in the city of Maribor. The project facilitates a culinary, language, knowledge and experience exchange between the representatives of the refugee community and Slovene nationals. By including members of the refugee community into certain activities of the practise, such as catering and story-telling, the project is able to help raise awareness about that community.

