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## WHAT IS 'EMBRACE' ABOUT?

EMBRACE project will improve the opportunities and access to the European labour market for immigrants recently arrived from countries outside the EU. Often immigrants arrive without any documental evidence of their previous studies or professional experience. And even if they possess them they cannot be validated because in EU countries there hardly exist any instruments for the validation and certification of skills and competences of immigrants.

To fill this gap EMBRACE will create a transnational methodology for the validation of non-formal and informal competencies of immigrants and contribute that way to their labour market integration.

## Kick off meeting in Valencia, Spain

In December 2016 all partners attended a kick-off meeting and shared experiences from each country in relation to migrant competences and labour integration. They set up short-term tasks and agreed on project activities.



*Valencia, 1-2 December 2016*

## Upcoming activities:

In the coming months, the project partners will work on:

- conducting comparative research and desk analysis in the field of competence recognition at a trans-national level.
- creating a catalogue of the needs, profiles and professional competences in the agribusiness;
- conducting case studies in the areas involved in agribusiness
- Identification of the main profiles demanded in the agribusiness market





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## Expected results at the end of the project:

- a catalogue of professional profiles and competences needed in the EU and in the agri-food sector;
- methodological guidelines to recognise and validate competences of citizens coming from third countries, tested on 33 case studies within the agri-food sector, but transferable to other contexts;
- a toolkit for counselors and certification operators to provide them with a “step by step” guide to support immigrants in their search for a new or better job, through the identification and validation of their non-formal and informal competences and skills.

The project will be run from September 1<sup>st</sup> 2016 till August 31<sup>st</sup> 2019.

## Partners:



For more information, please, contact the partner in your country.