

## The European Pact for Integration

for the development of  
a common integration policy in the EU

We want to take this approach one step further, at a local, regional, national and European level. It is only when all partners, irrespective of their competences, identify common goals and agree on a common agenda to be implemented through concrete actions, a holistic Europe 2020 Strategy can be achieved.

### Targets:

- Joint development of innovative strategies and their successful implementation on different levels of governance by involving civil society.
- Support of the exchange of experience among the different stakeholders involved and promotion of learning processes through networks.
- Improvement of the global competitiveness through the promotion of cultural competencies, intercultural learning and multilingualism.
- Benefit from cultural diversity as a resource for creativity as well as for technical and social innovations.

### The Fields of Activities of the European Pact:

1. Integration through education
2. Integration into the labour market
3. Integration through migrant families
4. Integration into the neighbourhoods and housing policies
5. Integration through sport
6. Integration through political participation
7. Integration through intercultural orientation of public services
8. Inter-religious dialogue and integration work of the religious communities
9. Migration and cultural diversity
10. Migration and development cooperation
11. Migration, integration and security
12. Public relations and media work



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## The European Pact for Migration and Integration

is a new network for the development and implementation of a common integration and migration policy in the EU. In a dialogue process between horizontal and vertical networks, the proposed network shall involve all levels of policy making, NGOs, the social partners, science, educational institutions, and civil society.

### Need for a European Pact for Integration

Cities are becoming more and more international and diverse. A dynamic process of globalisation, a mobile work force and demographic change are speeding up this process. It is both a challenge and a chance for us to attract new groups of immigrants. For that purpose a culture of welcome is a basic requirement.

We also need a new policy approach to our integration policy. This requires the involvement of many actors at different levels of government, the private sector and civil society, in order to develop a common agenda for our integration policy. Such a comprehensive EU strategy can serve as a bridge builder in a globalised world, and European societies can benefit from the cultural and religious diversity.

### Integration policy in the EU – a diversity of best practice examples

European cities and communities have a long-standing experience concerning the integration of highly heterogeneous and culturally diverse minorities thereby putting an emphasis on local action. Local communities are the centres of competence for the implementation of strategies for the successful integration and greater participation of immigrants and ethnic minorities. The outcome of the work of the European network of cities "Cities for Local Integration Policies for Migrants (CLIP)" underlines this fact.