



Business Development Services (BDS) Pilot for refugees and migrants

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The BDS Pilot is funded under the EU programme for Employment and Social Innovation (EaSI)

- Promotes a high level of quality and sustainable **employment**
- Promote **social inclusion**, combat poverty



The pilot aims to finance business development services for refugees and migrants to help start up or grow their businesses

- Business development services include training, mentoring and coaching
- Integral part of the microfinance, complementary to the microloans received
- Play a key role in start-up survival rate

It is a grant that will be embedded within the EaSI Microfinance Guarantee

- Total budget = EUR 1 million
- Only financial intermediaries which benefit from an EaSI Guarantee are eligible
- Grant of EUR 400 per person

How to benefit from the BDS pilot?

- Financial intermediaries:
 - **Contact EIF to express interest**



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Thank you for your attention!

More about **EU Programme for Employment and Social Innovation (EaSI)**: ec.europa.eu/social/easi

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