



Welcoming refugees and migrants
to rural Europe



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**WEBINAR - FROM
MIGRANTS TO
WORKERS**

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Activities

- Leisure: dinners, sports, culture, parties
- Useful knowledge/ job support: help with authorities, explaining how things work
- Advocacy/research: inform volunteers, articles meetings with authorities, research projects

What are the obstacles?



Advices and thoughts from respondents

- Talk to people that you meet.
- A good friend is what is most needed.
- View new people in the community as resources rather than problems.
- '*Immigrants*' are not one kind of people – see the persons.
- Involve both those who live in the area and newcomers in planning and doing the activities.

What can we do together in
the rural European context?

Let's talk on the workshop.

European Rural Parliament



Thank you!



*Hela Sverige
ska leva!*

SUOMEN
Kylätoiminta ry.



Manifesto.

“We live in a time of great migration, which most likely will keep increasing. We call for European governments to take a global responsibility for solutions of the causes of migration such as conflicts and climate change related natural disasters as well as for the persons migrating. We believe that for successful welcoming of migrants, Europe needs to focus on how migrants can contribute to our communities rather than seeing migration as a problem. We call for long-term policies that welcome migrants to Europe and create good conditions for the people living here already to welcome migrants into their communities.”