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## Interview Guidelines for Labour Migrants

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### Target groups:

*Low skilled labour migrants in a EU country (citizens or residents with working permission).  
Please note: Other migration groups (e.g. refugees or repatriates) are not relevant for our project!*

### Note for the interviewer:

*This guideline should not be used as a questionnaire. We want to encourage participants to explore around the topic and reveal their individual motivations, experiences and frustrations regarding their migration. Questions should follow the natural course of the conversation which is dominated to a great extent by the participant and should be complemented by the questions as they fit into it.*

*Comments for the interviewer and the stimulus/introduction as well as the “Thank you” are in Italics.*

*The questions to the interview partners are numbered.*

### 1. Stimulus/Introduction:

**Thank you** very much for taking part in this survey!

The project **Mol@m** aims at fostering labour migration in Europe. The key outcome is an information tool for career guidance professionals on EU labour markets. With this survey, we want to find out more about migration issues and on information needs.

In analysing our data, we of course secure your **anonymity** and will treat all data **confidentially!**

Do you agree with **recording**?

## 2. "Immigration Story"

- 2.1 Please describe shortly your current life situation: how do you live and work? What is important for you? Who is important for you?
- 2.2 When and how did you immigrate to the country?
- 2.3 What was your motivation for this step?

## 3. Expectations vs. Experiences? (retrospective/biographic assessment)

- 3.1 Which expectations did you have before you came here?
- 3.2 How do you look at this step today?
- 3.3 Which impact does it have on your today life?
- 3.4 Where have you experienced difficulties? „Tricky issues?“  
*(e.g. Challenges such as social and cultural integration, precarity, legality issues; disappointments, personal crises)*
- 3.5 How did you deal with these challenges?

## 4. The Role of Support

- 4.1 Did you look for help
  - a) in the home country before emigrating?
  - b) in the host country?***If yes, ask all questions. If no, proceed with 4.4***
- 4.2 Where did you ask for help?
- 4.3 What help did you look for?
- 4.4 What support did you receive?
- 4.5 Which kind of support did you miss?

*In answering these questions, the following information areas should be covered (please ask for these aspects if the interview partner does not address them on own initiative).*

**Information about other European labour markets**

**Cultural aspects** (e.g. language, cultural participation)

**Legal advice** (laws, restrictions, etc.)

**Social integration** (living, income, health...)

**Financial situation** (social aid)

## 5. Summarising/Closing questions

Do you have ideas for improving the situation of labour market migrants?

Any concrete suggestions towards the project?

## 6. Thank you!

*In the name of the Mol@m consortium, thank you very much for taking part in this survey.*

*Your answers are most valuable for our project and will help us to develop a training tool that meets the requirements of career guidance professionals.*