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| PARTNER ORGANIZATION | |
| Organisation ID: | E10056504 |
| PIC: | 906736407 |
| Full legal name (in national language ): | Welcome Home International ASBL |
| Full legal name (Latin characters): | **Welcome Home International ASBL** |
| Acronym: | **WHI** |
| National ID (if applicable): | BE0 691.876.650 |
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| PROFILE | |
| Type of Organisation: | NGO |
| Is the partner organisation a public body? | No |
| Is the partner organisation a non-profit? | Yes |

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| BACKGROUND & EXPERIENCE |
| Please briefly present the partner organisation (e.g., its type, size, scope of work, areas of specific expertise, specific social context and, if relevant, the quality system used): |
| Welcome Home International is a small NGO that was founded in March 2018. We were inspired by volunteering where we took many refugees into our homes as hosts. We became the first contact point for them and often followed up with legal support, medical support and friendship. We recognised then that the formalised methods of integration adopted by the authorities met only part of their needs. The remainder was the human touch involving community networking, language immersion, non-formal education and genuine communication.  Now, as an organisation, our philosophy is that integration is a two-way street. We seek innovative methods to support refugees and asylum seekers arriving in our societies. We implement and design hands-on projects to create inviting environments where newcomers and local community members can acquire the tools and information they need to help integration happen naturally. We have had great success filling the need for volunteer activities and events that engage the new arrivals with local community members. We work on projects related to refugee and asylum seeker needs such as language acquisition, job seeking and mentoring, the development of soft skills and anything related to integration and inclusion.  We have created a network of volunteers through all of our programmes and we support associated partner organisations working with refugees to further reach our target.  Welcome Home International has participated in many EU projects about refugee integration by producing short films, developing mobile apps, creating websites, conducting research and designing courses and activities for language acquisition, entrepreneurship, soft skill development.  A significant part of Welcome Home International rests on communication and language support, as it is seen as the first and most critical step toward integration. Welcome Home International is an expert in creating course content for refugees and migrants and support the acquisition of the target languages being French, Dutch and English. We offer practical, activity-based language courses with material content designed to help adapt newcomers to their new surroundings.  Welcome Home International is well connected throughout Belgium with government based refugee centers and NGOs working with integration as a goal.  Our key people have skills with ICT, social media marketing, communications film production, graphic design. We are experienced with research, reporting and analysis of all areas of displacement, integration and inclusion. |
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| TEAM MEMBERS  Summary of relevant skills and experience, including where relevant a list of recent publications related to the domain of the project |
| Barbara Winn-Hagelstam  Director  A fine arts major and social entrepreneur, Barbara has taught English as a second language since 1997 in multiple countries including Japan, Indonesia, Finland and Belgium, from corporate clients to newly arrived refugees. In Belgium, in 2015 she founded Our House Project, an employment creation activity giving jobs to newly arrived refugees in the catering industry. In 2018, she founded the NGO Welcome Home International supporting refugee integration in Belgium and Europe focusing on language acquisition and the development of language courses in refugee reception centres. Welcome Home International has been involved in EU projects since its beginning all relating to refugee integration and language development on which she has worked as a project manager. She is experienced with project management, teaching material creation, course development, graphic design, website design and short film production. |
| Yves Kanarek  Financial expert  Yves is a political scientist with expertise in international relations. He is a financial expert and has expertise in entrepreneurship and business startups. Yves fortifies Welcome Home International with our associated partnerships and develops new and engaging contacts. He speaks fluent French Dutch and English and has been pivotal in establishing Welcome Home International and contributing to its success. |
| Amjad Abdullah  Project Coordinator  A refugee from Syria; Amjad is our Arabic translator and volunteer coordinator. Having experience in corporate settings in Syria and with crises relief at the Red Cross in Belgium, Amjad has a diverse and varied range of skills for every situation. At Welcome Home International, Amjad deals with all human resources and event coordination in Belgium. |
| Talitha Brauer  Research and graphic artist  Talitha is a photographer/filmmaker having worked in the area of forced displacement for many years. Adept in combining visuals and text, and producing multimedia projects & art exhibitions to affect social change and community engagement. She is skilled in negotiating and communicating relevant issues to a global audience. |
| Kiinai Winn-Makkonen  Research and IT  Kiinai is a student of English philology and cultural identity who has devoted his spare time to volunteering for various refugee organisations and causes. Now with Welcome Home International, his skills, intelligence and focus support our IT department and intensive research projects. |

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE and CONTACT PERSION | | | Title: | Mrs | | First name: | Barbara | | Family Name: | Winn-Hagelstam | | Department: | N/A | | Position: | Director | | E-mail: | barbara@welcomehome.international | | Telephone 1: | +358 400 747157 | |
| Has the partner organisation participation in a European Union granted project in the 3 years preceding this application? Please indicate: |
| Yes, please see the following list. |

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| EU Programme | Year | Project Identification or Contract Number | Applicant/Beneficiary Name | Title |
| Erasmus+ | 2018 | 2017-1-FI01- KA20 4-034714 | Learnmera Oy | Language Voices |
| Erasmus+ | 2019 | 2019-1-NL01-KA204-060376 | Stitching Vrouw & Welzijn | LANGO,  Language on the go |
| Erasmus+ | 2019 | 2019-1-CZ01-KA204-061367 | ProEduca z.s. | ATLAAS |
| Erasmus+ | 2020 | 2020 KA204-1A9A7301 | Szczecinska Szkola Wyzsza Collegium Balticum | Inclusion App |
| Erasmus+ | 2020 | 2020 KA205-55F843A7 | Ballybeen Women's Centre Ltd | Safe4Play |
| Erasmus+ | 2021 | 2021-1-NL01-Ka220-ADU000026492 | Stitching Vrouw & Welzijn | Unrooting Violence: tackling social norms for the prevention of gender-based violence |
| Erasmus+ | 2021 | 2021-1-BE01-KA210-ADU-000034932 | Welcome Home International | Re-Start: Refugee Start-Up |
| Erasmus+ | 2021 | 2021-1-NL01-KA220-ADU-000025953 | Stitching Vrouw & Welzijn | Skills4Integration |
| Erasmus+ | 2021 | 2021-1-ES02-KA220-YOU-000029232 | Associació PROSEC (Promotora Social) | Pedagogical approaches, provision and innovation for young Refugees and immigrant |
| Erasmus+ | 2021 |  |  | Emotional Management for Migrant Women |
| Erasmus+ | 2021 |  |  | Sustainable Life Skills Café |

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| ASSOCIATED PARTNERS |
| Please identify and explain the involvement of associated partners, not formally participating in the project. Please explain how they will contribute to the implementation of specific project tasks/activities or support the dissemination and sustainability of the project. |
| RANA : Refugees Are Not Alone  RANA is a non-profit organisation whose objective is to help refugees and asylum seekers integrate into social and professional life in Belgium. This is achieved through individual support aimed at making them as independent as possible. www.rana-be.org  RWAN : Raising Women’s Awareness Network  RWAN’s mission is to help the refugee and immigrant women to have education access and get a professional opportunity in order to become productive individuals in Belgian society. https://www.rwan-initiative.org/  Serve the City, Brussels  Serve the City is a global movement of volunteers showing kindness in practical ways to people in need. We partner with homeless shelters, refugee centres, orphanages, and other associations, offering help and support. Serve the City creates events that mobilise many volunteers to serve in simple ways – sports, music, arts and crafts, meals, friendship and more. We are the connection between the good intentions and talents of people who could volunteer and a meaningful opportunity to get involved. |
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