

Portugal (CIP (last update 4 May)

Overall approach and state of play

We expect to receive a few thousand refugees, namely those who already have family members or friends in Portugal. Currently there are around 28.000 Ukrainians living in Portugal. The number of arrivals are changing every day. On 10.3.2022 there were around 5.000 requests to come to Portugal. Almost all arrivals are expected to be women.

Coordination of joint social partner or social partner and government actions

In coordination with the Ministry of Labour, CIP sent emails to its members to encourage them to identify employment opportunities for hiring Ukrainian workers. A website was also created by the Ministry of Labour where companies can identify job opportunities. On 10.3.2022 there were 17.000 job opportunities.

No discussion on the temporary Directive. Nevertheless, the Prime Minister said that Portugal will receive all people living in Ukraine (not only nationals, but all who live in Ukraine). A special process for issuing visas has been created:

- automatic attribution of a residence permit, for a period of one year, with the possibility of extending the period.
- automatic attribution of the social security identification number, tax identification number and citizen identification Card.

A tripartite working group will also be created within the Standing Committee for Social Concertation.

Company impact

It is anticipated that some workers will leave Portugal to fight in Ukraine. There is also expected to be some impact on the availability of seasonal workers as a result of the conflict.