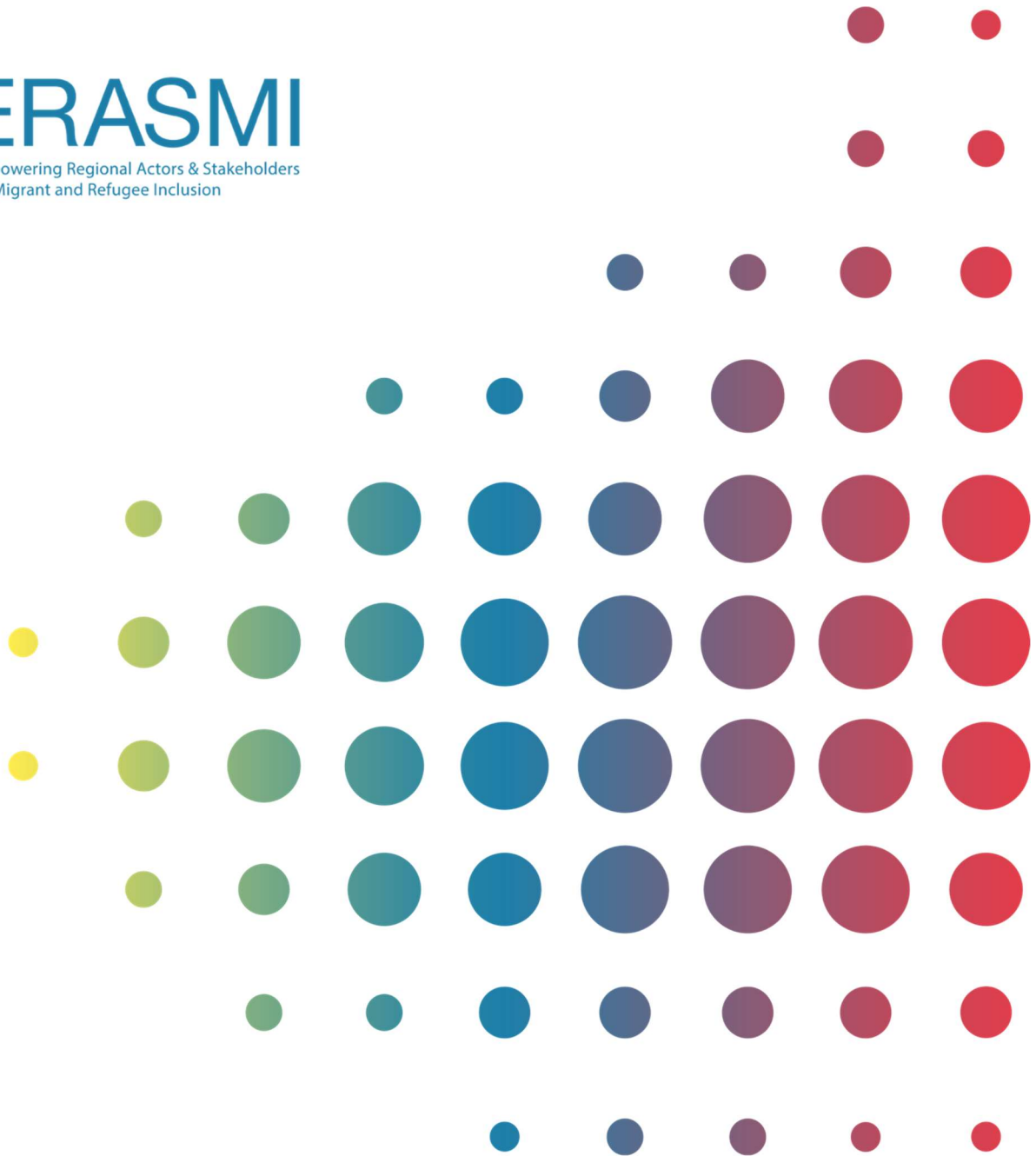




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Good Practice: NEW COMMUNITIES PARTNERSHIP (NCP)

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1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of the network	New Communities Partnership (NCP)
Founding year	2003
Location	Two offices in Dublin, Ireland, and another one in Cork, Ireland
Coordinating Organisation	New Communities Partnership
Degree of formalisation	Formal Agreement (NCP is a registered charity)
Members	More than 150 migrant- and ethnic minority-led organisations in Ireland
Field(s) of action	Inclusion / Integration in general; Labour market; Education and training; Language; Naturalisation process
Target group(s)	Refugees; Migrants; Ethnic Minorities
Type of network	Migrant Network

2. NETWORK PROFILE

Brief description	<p>New Communities Network (NCP) is a national umbrella network of migrant led groups in Ireland. The mission of NCP is to be an effective network, representing and empowering ethnic minority-led organisations at all levels, in order to influence positive change in policies that impact on their lives. The network is working towards an intercultural and inclusive Irish society where immigrant groups are achieving equality in economic, social, political and cultural aspects of Irish life. Their aim is to ensure representation and participation of ethnic minorities at all levels in Irish society in order to influence positive change and inform policies that impact on migrants' lives. Main strategic goals are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Deliver targeted training that enhances the delivery of better services to people from migrant communities in Ireland and to promote cultural understanding in Irish society. - Promote and sustain effective economic participation, integration, and social inclusion initiatives for migrant communities at local, regional and national levels. - Promote awareness of, improve access to, and provide and create bespoke services for migrants in the local community in Ireland.
Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCP runs six different projects or services, and they are all differently funded by Government initiatives (Department of Justice and Equality, European Social Fund, Tusla, etc.).
Internal Communication & Facilitation techniques	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social media (Facebook, Twitter, etc.) • E-mails, telephone calls, Zoom meetings, etc. to keep in touch with members



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External Communication & Event formats	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCP holds an Intercultural Family Day annually, offering a space for families and members to come together • Participation in events or initiatives hold by other organisations
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3. SUCCESS FACTORS AND MAIN CHALLENGES

Success factors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide a service which is really needed in the communities • Wide network and national reach • Proficient in digital communications • Direct impact on vulnerable groups of migrants, e.g. migrant women • Working with companies to hire migrant women, e.g. training 30 companies to take on people
Challenges & Lessons learnt	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applying for funding is considered challenging, but they have experienced staff • Trying to find work for refugees can be challenging, but NCP helps to train businesses and HR companies • Irish Labour Migration Policy, but things have changed slightly over the years towards a little more inclusive approach
Evaluation & Sustainability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCP collects success stories about supported migrants.
Impact, Innovation & Transferability	<p>NCP is run by people who have migrant backgrounds themselves and know the issues faced by migrants coming to Ireland. The structure as an umbrella organisation for migrant-self organisations which fosters migrant-self representation can serve as an example for other countries. The (support) projects and services implemented by the network are innovative and have a high potential for transferability as well (see https://www.newcommunities.ie/services/).</p>

4. FURTHER INFORMATION

Website, Social Media	https://www.newcommunities.ie/ https://twitter.com/new_communities https://www.facebook.com/newcommunities/ https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC7vsyr2nKIZ9H3TP9zvqnnA
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