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## Themed meetings for recognised sponsors

Several recognised sponsors have indicated that they would like to attend themed meetings. That is why the Business Relationship Management Team is organising four live meetings: two in Utrecht and two in The Hague. The themes are highly skilled migration (highly skilled migrant, Intra Corporate Transferee, European Blue Card) and the salary criterion. The meetings will take place on the following dates and locations:

- 1. Theme: Highly skilled migration on 30 September 2025 in Utrecht.
- 2. Theme: Highly skilled migration on 2 October 2 2025 in The Hague.
- 3. Theme: Salary criterion on 28 October 2025 in Utrecht.
- 4. Theme: Salary criterion on 30 October 2025 in The Hague.

During the meetings, we will first give a brief introduction to the themes. We will then explore the themes in an interactive way. We will also discuss fictional cases and other topics that arise.

Interested? Register via team.zakelijk@ind.nl. Please indicate your preferred theme and location in your email. See you soon!

# Collecting a residence permit from an expat center sometimes costs money

In the Business Portal, you can indicate at which location the highly skilled migrant wishes to collect their residence permit. You can choose between an IND desk or an expat center. The Business Portal does not mention that expat centers may charge for their services. Each expat center decides for itself whether and how much you have to pay (extra) for its services. You can find information about this on the websites of the applicable expat centers. If you do not want to pay for the issuance of the residence permit, select an IND desk or IND

service point on the application form to collect the residence permit. The IND issues the residence permit free of charge.

You cannot change the choice you made on the application form. Expat centers do not return residence permits to an IND service desk.

## Reporting changes to the recognised sponsor

Is the highly skilled migrant going to work for another recognised sponsor? Then both the old and new recognised sponsors must report this change to the IND within 4 weeks. You can do this using the reporting form for labour-related residence purposes (recognised sponsor) below.

Reporting form for labour related residence purposes (recognised sponsor) 7593 (PDF, 183.86 KB)

The old recognised sponsor uses this form to deregister the highly skilled migrant within 4 weeks of the employment contract ending. The new recognised sponsor must use this form to register the highly skilled migrant with the IND within 4 weeks of the employment contract starting.

Late registration or deregistration may result in sanctions. If we have not received a new registration within 3 months of deregistration, we will revoke the highly skilled migrant's (still valid) residence permit.

# When traveling abroad, make sure you have a valid residence permit on the date of your return journey

Is a highly skilled migrant traveling abroad? Please note that the residence permit must still be valid on the date of the planned return journey to the Netherlands. Therefore, apply for an extension 3 months before the expiry date of the residence permit. This will give the IND sufficient time to issue a new residence permit. This will prevent the highly skilled migrant from encountering problems at border control when returning to the Netherlands after an unexpected trip abroad. Naturally, the highly skilled migrant must also have a valid travel document (passport) and arrange any renewal in good time.

## Registration in the Entry/Exit System (EES) possible as of 12 October 2025

Is a residence permit expiring, but does the permit holder wish to remain in the Netherlands and the <u>Schengen area</u> for up to 90 days after that? From 12 October 2025, the foreign national can register in the Entry/Exit System (EES).

### **EES** registration

The EES records data on non-EU nationals traveling to the Netherlands or another Schengen country for a short stay. This includes data on arrivals and departures, passport details, fingerprints, and passport photos. In the event of a check or when leaving the Netherlands or Schengen, EES registration is proof of legal residence in or timely departure from the Netherlands or Schengen. Timely departure means before the end of the free period or before the end of the Schengen visa.

EES registration will eventually replace the entry and exit stamps in the passport. If someone has not registered online in the EES, registration can still take place when leaving the Netherlands or Schengen. Please take into account that this will require extra time at the border.

Has someone failed to register online in the EES? Registration can still take place when leaving the Netherlands or Schengen. Please take into account that this will add extra time at the border.

## Request for registration in the EES

Foreign nationals can apply online to register in the EES. If the foreign national requires a visa, registration is only possible after the foreign national has obtained a Schengen visa outside the Netherlands.

### **Gradual introduction of the EES**

Participating EU countries have six months to introduce the EES. Online registration will be possible from 12 October 2025. During the first six months, customs authorities will continue to issue entry and exit stamps.

#### More information

All information about the EES and the online registration request will be available on our webpage Short stay after end of residence permit as of 12 October.

## Cooperating Service closed on 7 October in the morning

The Cooperating Service will be closed on Tuesday morning, 7 October 2025, from 9:00 to 13:00.

This may result in longer than usual waiting times in the afternoon. We therefore recommend that you call the next day or later in the week. Thank you for your understanding.