



The pathway from a refugee to an entrepreneur



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The global refugee crisis is a tragic consequence of the destruction of local civilizations. It marks the existential suppression of societies, culturally and economically, with forced migration as their only means of escape. Even where the survivors find security in refugee camps, they often languish over many years in conditions of poor accommodation and high unemployment. Refugees have gained an unfair reputation for being an economic burden, demanding resources from the host country and apparently making no contribution in return.

The purpose of this **online** symposium is to discuss the pathway from refugee to entrepreneur in a host country by looking at the drivers, challenges and the mechanisms for supporting the integration process through entrepreneurship.

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Time: 12.00-14.00 CET
Where: ZOOM
How: To receive the Zoom link please register here:
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LEO-PAUL DANA, Academic Scholar in Entrepreneurship with an extensive research background studying entrepreneurship in different cultures. Professor Dana has produced 45 books and 295 articles appearing in a variety of journals including: Entrepreneurship: Theory & Practice; International Business Review, International Small Business Journal, Journal of Business Research. Leo-Paul will present and discuss the current situation of refugee entrepreneurship within the academic field



KATI LAPPETELÄINEN, Head of Business Program at Startup Refugees, which together with a network of more than 1500 members offers asylum seekers, refugees and immigrants support in employment and entrepreneurship

Third Speaker to be announced