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1. Information on opportunities for young people in Europe

Crosscare Migrant Project recently took part in a conference organised by Eurodesk and Youth Information Centres entitled '**Where to Now? - Empowering Young People through Information**' which was targeted at organisations and people working with young people in Ireland.

Eurodesk is part of a network of 30 partners all over Europe providing a **free information service** to young people and those who work with them with information on EU funding and **opportunities to work, study, volunteer and travel in Europe**. It also provides access to a support desk to answer any specific queries.

Any young people considering moving to another European country, or with queries on studying, training, working, summer work or volunteering in Europe can **contact Eurodesk** through their website www.eurodesk.ie, or by phoning +353 (0)1 873 1411

2. Practical tips & hints from Canadian-based organisations

Crosscare Migrant Project has received feedback from several groups and organisations in Canada recently, highlighting some key practical issues for people travelling to Canada to be aware of. Their advice included the following:

- Set realistic expectations that it may take between **2-4 months to find your first job**. Whilst the Canadian economy is performing well in comparison to Ireland, it does not mean that there is an over supply of jobs.
- Check out the Canadian Information Centre for International Credentials (www.cicic.ca) in relation to **recognition of foreign qualifications** in Canada.
- **'Canadianize' your CV!** The Canadian 'resumé' format is different to the Irish CV. Make sure to orient your resumé to the Canadian jobs market to make you more marketable to prospective employers.
- Seek out **useful websites and organisations** such as the Ireland-Canada Chambers of Commerce www.ireland-canada.ca; the Irish Association of Toronto www.torontoirishassociation.com; and employment websites such as www.irishjobs.ca, www.canadajobs.com, www.monster.ca and www.workopolis.com.

See our website or click [here](#) for more detailed tips & hints on going to Canada, or to download our '**Going to Canada**' **publication** which covers issues such as Healthcare, Education, Accommodation, Finding a Job etc.

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3. Changes to Australian Skilled Occupation List

Effective 1st July 2010, a **new Skilled Occupation List (SOL)** has been introduced containing a new list of targeted occupations for migration to Australia. This will affect who will be eligible to migrate to Australia under the General Skilled Migration Programme.

The number of occupations on the list has fallen from 400 to 181, with **cooks, hairdressers and butchers among those removed**. However many skilled trades such as **electricians, carpenters, plumbers and bricklayers remain on the list**, in addition to nurses, doctors, teachers, architects, engineers and many more.

Anyone who has applied or intends to apply for a General Skilled Migration visa should make sure they are fully informed and aware of the changes and how they might affect their application. Click [here](#) or see www.immi.gov.au for more details.

4. U.S. Diversity Visa 'Green Card' Lottery results available now

Winners of the DV-2011 lottery for visas to the U.S. should receive **notification by post** between May and July 2010. Lottery entrants selected are provided with further instructions on how to proceed, including information on fees. Notification is **not sent by email**.

Individuals who are not selected do not receive any notification; however anyone who completed their entry through the official website can **check the status of their application** at www.dvlottery.state.gov using the confirmation number they received at the time of their online application.

It is not possible to apply for the next visa lottery (DV-2012) at the moment. The next lottery is scheduled to open for applications in early October 2010. Anyone interested in applying is advised to check the U.S. Department of State website for updates at: <http://travel.state.gov/> or click [here](#).

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