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MINISTER: SUPPORT FOR PARENTS OF LIMITED MEANS OF STUDENTS AT INSTITUTIONS FOR INTERMEDIATE VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

Low-income parents with underage children at courses for occupational training [bol-opleiding] in institutions for intermediate vocational training no longer need to worry about school fees. Schools for intermediate vocational training can advance or even remunerate these costs. They can purchase the educational materials and tools and subsequently give the students the use of these materials. Even if parents have already incurred costs for the current school year they can appeal to the school for help. Agreements have been made with the MBO Raad and the Stichting Leergeld [Council intermediate vocational training and Tuition Fees Foundation] that schools are allowed to remunerate costs with retroactive effect. You will find more information [here](#).

1. BASIC RIGHTS

Council of State: Municipality of Amsterdam has to observe their own crisis intervention policy for ill undocumented migrants

The municipality of Amsterdam have drawn up their own policy for the support of migrants without residence permits. Undocumented migrants for whom the support of bed, bath, bread is insufficient can be given sheltered accommodation at the Salvation Army [Leger des Heils] for a maximum of 1 year. The Council of State have decided that the municipality has to take seriously an application for sheltered support of an undocumented migrant who, because of neglected diabetes, is in need of fixed meal times, a wholesome diet and an orderly schedule of rest and exercise. You will find more information [here](#).

Court of Appeal: no entitlement to supplementary benefit for undocumented mother of Dutch child

This child is living with his mother in a provision in accordance with the social support act. The mother has no assistance benefit, because she has no residence permit. Benefit for the child is provided at the level of an adult single person. But there is no entitlement to Social Security Supplements or child-related budget. The Court of Appeal are of the opinion that the municipality does not have to provide additional supplementary benefit. You will find more information [here](#).

2. ADMISSION POLICY

Policy Adjustment 2016/11: family reunification with children of age easier

On account of questions by D66 the Secretary of State has decided to extend the entitlement of young adults who were always part of a family to family reunification with underage siblings who had been granted a status in The Netherlands. You will find more information [here](#).

Council of State: Belgian woman who uses Dutch social provisions has no status as EU citizen

Because of domestic violence this Belgian woman was given shelter and support in a Dutch women's refuge. Belgians are EU citizens and in principle have right of residence in The Netherlands as long as they provide for themselves. However, because this woman has never worked and is using Dutch services, the right of residence as an EU citizen does not apply in her case. Belgium has institutions for women's support and shelter as well. You will find more information [here](#).

3. CHECK

Council of State: reconsideration strict entry ban because of relationship with Polish woman

This man was granted a strict entry ban because of his criminal record. After his discharge from prison he married a Polish woman who works in The Netherlands. As a partner of an EU citizen the European 'concept of public order' applies, which entails that someone can only be refused if he is currently a serious threat to the public order of fundamental importance. The Council of State are of the opinion that the IND should reconsider the entry ban. You will find more information [here](#).

4. ACTIVITIES

Debate about the migration agreement between the EU and Africa, Amsterdam, 13 September, 20.00

In 2015 the EU reached migration agreements with African countries. These countries have to promise to introduce border checks and take back their fellow citizens in exchange for development funds. This ensured Minister Koenders of the co-operation of Mali. But Malian people are worried what this will mean for their country. Alassane Dicko is an activist from Bamako who will explain what the consequences for Mali will be. Information: [All Included](#)

Feedback forum "Labour, work and migration", 20 September 2016, 15:30 - 17:30 VU A' dam

In this forum, two rights are examined; the right to freedom of (international) movement and the right to work. I propose to understand the right to freedom of movement as instrumental to the obtainment of vital interests. Subsequently, I argue that the right to seek employment is such a vital interest, and provide a justification for it to be a general right. Yet, can this be asserted in conjunction with a state's primary duty to take care of the well-being of its members, including the responsibility to ensure participation of its nationals on domestic labour markets? Registration : mdc@vu.nl.

Conference '30 years of STV | CoMensha! Retrospective and challenges, The Hague, 22 Sept 10-18 hour

Thirty years ago the Stichting tegen Vrouwenhandel (STV, foundation against Women Trafficking) was established. A number of pioneers devoted themselves to getting the subject of women trafficking on the political agenda and to offer the victims better protection. But there are still challenges. For more information visit: <http://mensenhandel.nl/pagina/index-live/764>.

Pan-European Migrant Seminar, Amsterdam - 23th to 25th September 2016

The Transnational Migrant Platform (TMP) is a network of migrant and refugee organizations working in the fields of migrant rights, migrant worker rights and socio-economic development. In order to strengthen efficient policy intervention and advocacy, as well as to link more effectively with movements and networks which are also working for social and economic justice and a more democratic Europe, we invite you to our Pan-European Seminar in Amsterdam.

Info: <https://www.facebook.com/TransnationalMigrantPlatform/>; Contact: migrantplatform@gmail.com

Viergever, R. F.: Adapting to survive: facilitating recovery after human trafficking

Human trafficking is a crime that can result in both acute and chronic physical and mental health problems for victims. Despite the increasing relevance of victims of human trafficking for the Dutch social and health services, there is a dearth of evidence on how to best facilitate recovery for this population, both in the Netherlands and internationally. This thesis explores the Dutch post-trafficking social and health services from the viewpoints of service users and service providers.

<http://researchonline.lshtm.ac.uk/2572320/>, 23.5.16

Scientific Research and Documentation Centre: appearances are deceptive

This investigation evaluates the situation with respect to marriages of convenience in The Netherlands. According to estimates 2.1% of migrants' relationships were marriages of convenience but this depends on the section of the population. The lowest frequency is found among relationships with Asian women (1.2%) and the highest frequency among Sub-Saharan men (4.8%).

The Secretary of State will continue investigations on marriages of convenience.

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