



Reform of the Act on the Promotion of Immigrant Integration

Background

- improving speed and efficiency of integration measures starting when the immigrant arrives in Finland
- transferring the overall responsibility for integration services to municipalities
- promoting the employment of immigrant women
- improving the quality of language education and tests
- considering the needs of companies
- increasing the role of the third sector and liberal adult education.

The reform of the Integration Act (KOTO24) aims to:

- strengthen the integration of immigrants who are outside the labour force
- strengthen multi-sectoral cooperation and cooperation with organisations and employers
- update the Integration Act to respond to the needs caused by the transfer of official duties.

Into force on 1 January 2025 at the same time as the TE24 reform.

Changes to come in 2025...

- Shorter time for the integration process, quicker into labour market or education
- Guidance should be more available and easy to access (municipality, the wellbeing service county, the employment office, immigration service)
- Knowledge about the Finnish society should be received in ones own language
- More flexible ways for parents to study while home with children
- The third sector and liberal adult education has a role when promoting inclusion

•Thank you!

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