



<http://www.eures.europa.eu>

Don't forget

- * Valid passport or identity document of the EU
- * Certified translation of diploma, if necessary
- * Translated Curriculum Vitae
- * Forms issued by your social security office
- * A copy of your birth certificate
- * Other documents and licences (e.g. driver's licence, marriage certificate, ...)

★ Further information

<http://www.eures.europa.eu>

<http://www.belgium.be>

<http://www.diplomatie.be>

<http://www.fiscus.fgov.be>

<http://www.socialsecurity.be>

<http://www.rva.be>

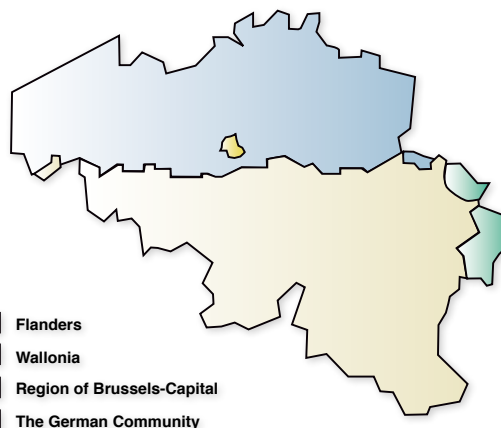
<http://www.brussel.irisnet.be>

<http://www.flanders.be>

<http://www.wallonie.be>

<http://www.dglive.be>

You can also find a **wide range of job offers** on the websites of local newspapers and private organisations.



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Belgium is a federal state with Brussels as capital. It is divided into regions and communities and has 10 provinces. There are

three official languages: Dutch, French and German. Thanks to its unique situation in the heart of Europe, Belgium is a country with an international radiation where life is very pleasant.

★ Looking for a job in Belgium

You can start finding a job in Belgium already at home by using the support of your local Eures network.

Look for the Belgian Eures Advisers and the living and working conditions in Belgium on these websites :

EURES : <http://www.eures.europa.eu/>

The Belgian Public Employment Services :

* ACTIRIS/BIJOB (Brussels region) :
<http://www.actiris.be>
<http://www.bijob.be>

* ADG (German region) :
<http://www.adg.be>

* FOREM (Walloon region) :
<http://www.leforem.be>

* VDAB (Flemish region) :
<http://www.vdab.be>

If you wish to find a job in Belgium you have to keep in mind that there are 3 languages according to the different regions :

French : Wallonia and Brussels

German : German speaking region

Flemish/Dutch : Flanders and Brussels

★ Arriving in Belgium

When you arrive in Belgium you must carry a valid passport or ID card. Nationals of the EU-countries that joined the EU in 2007, need a work permit in order to start working in Belgium. However, for professions for which there is a labour shortage, a simplified procedure is possible.

In this case, the work permit is granted within five days of the request by the competent regional authority.

Where can jobseekers find more information about work permits?

Walloon region:

http://emploi.wallonie.be/THEMES/PERMIS_TRAVAIL/MENU.htm

Flemish region:

http://www2.vlaanderen.be/werk/mig_kort.htm

Brussels region:

http://www.bruxelles.irisnet.be/fr/citoyens/home/travailler/travailler_comme_ressortissant_etranger.shtml

Don't forget to bring your documents for social security (sickness, unemployment benefits, family benefits, ...)



★ Taxation

- * **Income tax** : The tax rates vary progressively according to income brackets from 25 to 50%.
- * **VAT** : In Belgium there are 5 rates with a maximum of 21%.
- * **Local taxes**.

★ Social Security

The Belgian social security system is based on the principle of solidarity and covers a wide range of services/benefits. The personal amount of the contributions for social security is 13.07 % of your gross income. These contributions are directly withdrawn by the employer from your wages.