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## EUROPEAN JOB DAYS CELEBRATES 15 YEARS OF MATCHING TALENT ACROSS BORDERS

**Breaking barriers, building careers abroad: 15 years of transforming and promoting fair transnational and cross-border hiring across Europe.**

Bratislava, Slovakia, 31.03.2026 – This year marks the 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of European Job Days (EJDs), a platform service that has become a cornerstone in connecting jobseekers with employers across the European Union, the European Economic Area and Switzerland. Launched to address challenges in transnational and cross-border labour needs it has grown into a unique wide European public-service recruitment platform, supporting fair job hire across 31 countries.

Coordinated by the European Employment Services (EURES) network and backed by the European Labour Authority (ELA) and the European Commission, the European Job Days service has been playing a key role in facilitating transnational recruitment, through a combination of digital tools and human expertise. Over the past fifteen years, EJDs have helped thousands of jobseekers to pursuing their careers abroad, while helping employers to find the talent they need to cover shortages through transparent and responsible hiring practices.

EJDs have translated European cooperation for employment into tangible results. Since 2011, nearly 400 000 jobseekers have participated in 364 EJD events, engaging 14 000 employers from 32 countries and sectors such as Tourism, IT industries, healthcare. According to official data, EJD participation has contributed to support the publication of 25 000 job vacancies, generating a total of circa 250 000 job applications, underscoring the platform's positioning as a trusted and unique tool for providing fair European jobs.

As Europe's labour context is increasingly dominated by challenges such as a shifting population demographics, fast technological change, and chronic skills shortages—the 15th anniversary of European Online Job Days happens at a critical moment, to highlight how it can contribute to tackle these labour market issues in the EU, the European Economic Area and Switzerland.

As Cosmin Boiangiu, ELA Executive Director, recently said: 'For 15 years, *European Job Days* events have changed the life of so many jobseekers and improved skills-matching for thousands of companies, just at the tip of a finger. It is online trans-European recruitment made easy and fair!'

EJDs reflect the diversity and dynamism of Europe's labour market. From sector-specific events focused on ICT, healthcare, green jobs, tourism, construction and engineering, to broader, all-sector editions. The 15th anniversary is a celebration of fifteen years of human connections shaping Europe's shared labour market.

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