



Code 1353. Study and Work in Your Country of Choice-International Students: Start-Ups-To-Be

Length/Duración: 90 minutes

The debate about international students has encompassed new perspectives including the potential of them to create businesses. We'll explore this idea by looking at initiatives from Netherlands, Portugal, Germany and Canada. Starting with the universities' strategies to motivate international students to start their own businesses, we look at the tangible support they offer and at the mindsets behind their policies in this regard. Germany, for example, has an impressive 128 professorships of entrepreneurship. Challenging, however, is this gap: while the opportunities for founders of start-ups improved markedly, the regulatory framework is still extremely complex and expert knowledge is rarely shared by even these professors or start-up counsellors at the universities. The potential to become successful entrepreneurs is high, but there remains a lot to do, this workshop wants to contribute to this debate.



3:00-4:30 p.m.

Room/Salón: C-1

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