



Dear world,

Loops are central to PLACE. They're at the center of our pedagogy; our programs are designed in **learning loops**, where the training includes **feedback from experts** and peers. They're also essential to our values; we are firm believers in the virtuous cycle that emerges when newcomers get to **express their full potential** in new societies.

The arrival of summer often feels like the end of a loop: programs wrap up, leading to cohorts of Catalysts to spread their wings and embark others in their networks along with them as they take their learnings to the "real" world. We take stock of all we've learned by being around them thanks to **how they challenged us and our way of seeing or doing things**, or **how impressed we were with the strides they made**.

The best part is it doesn't end there: **we take that wealth of information to feed our work supporting the next Catalysts** and the loop starts up again. How exciting to keep going back on that ride!

The Emerging Leaders Accelerator is off to a great start!

This month, we've officially kicked-off the **Emerging Leaders Accelerator** through an in-person retreat that took place in Italy. Fifteen Catalysts from 11 countries of origin and living in 12 European countries met in person to kick-off the next phase in their leadership development. The accelerator will serve as a **space, or hive**, for active, **high-potential newcomer leaders** to **collaborate and exchange** with other leaders from different backgrounds and areas in Europe.

Together, they will actively contribute to **defining the concept and practice of newcomer and responsible leadership**.



on retreat in Italy!



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A new skill: facilitating Professional Empowerment Workshops

The **Facilitators program** has taken a new step into the Facilitating world! This month, our three Facilitators **Victoria, Yara** and **Justine** have facilitated our last **Professional Empowerment Workshops**, where they gave many tips to more than **80 participants** about **how to present their strengths** in order to access meaningful employment.

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For me it was a unique experience since it was very **intimate** (one on one facilitation) which had its advantages for the Catalyst.

The most important outtake I have is **how we can share our knowledge and experience** with others and how it can greatly affect and have impact within **their lives**.

Justine, Facilitator



Congratulations to the Fast Forward cohort for completing the program!

According to the 2022 World Migration report, **the female migrant worker population is growing**. This means that the need for pathways into meaningful employment for them is more important than ever. **Fast Forward**, our women-focused program and the 2022 winner of the **NGO Innovation Award by the UNHCR**, is one of these pathways.

This was a month of celebration, as **25 Fast Forward Catalysts have successfully graduated**, with best results and outcomes. We want to congratulate them for their investment and commitment. Also, we're grateful to see they're already taking the corporate world by storm, **integrating such companies as BNP Paribas, L'Oréal or Google!**



The next Mig.En.Cube retreat is taking place in Paris

We're excited to host the next **Mig.En.Cube** retreat, a moment of connection, gathering the many partners of this ambitious program to check-in on the objectives of our joint projects such as a **MOOC for incubators about working with migrant entrepreneurs**. The aim of this project is to support incubation professionals that are including or looking to include **migrant entrepreneurs** in their programs, and for **policy-makers** that intend to support these initiatives.



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Save the Date for our Summer Mingle on June 15th

June is a time for gatherings and we are inviting you to join us for an evening of art, fun and connection on June 15th in Paris for the next **PLACE Community mingle**. Everyone is welcome!

The location will be sent to you in the coming week, but let us know already if you're planning to join us.

[Register now!](#)

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