

# UNLOCKING THE ENTREPRENEURIAL TALENT OF REFUGEES: BRISTOL

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talent of refugees**

## Bristol

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2pm - 4pm

This event will focus on the untapped wealth of entrepreneurial talent refugees in the West of England have to offer. It will showcase our research and offer solutions for unlocking this talent.

Many new migrants establish their own businesses, a process of great importance for their economic integration. Yet little there is little research on their enterprises or experiences of business support. Ashley Community Housing (ACH) and The Centre for Research in Ethnic Minority Entrepreneurship (CREME) have been collaborating on a 2 year programme of knowledge exchange and research to develop the evidence base and practical support for migrants and refugees in business.

ACH is a dynamic and growing social enterprise with a proven track-record of supporting new arrived migrants to settle in the UK. Professor Monder Ram OBE has extensive experience of working in, researching and acting as a consultant to ethnic minority businesses. He is a leading authority on ethnic minority entrepreneurship research and has published widely on the subject.

Some of the recommendations include:

- Providing training related to language skills, legal requirements, access to finance, and business management.
- Setting up mentoring schemes within the community that would boost aspirations and capabilities.

Speakers include Nick Sturge (Engine Shed) and Ed Rowberry (Bristol & Bath Regional Capital CIC). Key business leaders and officials from local Councils will also be contributing to the discussion.