



Dear Reader,

It has been a while since we distributed our first newsletter. In the meantime, we have been very busy. Of note, we received a grant from the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs which allowed us to conduct a feasibility study for our first campus in Mafraq, Jordan. Additionally, we have contracted our volunteers in Arnhem and have recently opened shop in Jordan to enable us to work with local staff and stakeholders on the feasibility study as well as the realization of the first campus itself.

Please enjoy reading the second issue of our newsletter and feel free to forward it to anyone who might be interested. Please also feel free to contact us if you have any questions or suggestions.

Best regards,

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### **[Foreign Affairs Ministry Gives 400 k€ Grant to GreenfieldCities](#)**

The Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs has given GreenfieldCities a grant of 400 k€ to fund an in-depth feasibility study for a campus project in Mafraq, Jordan. The campus will serve 1500 young local inhabitants, Jordanians and Syrian refugees alike, who will be able to live, study and work on site. The Campus will boost the local economy of Mafraq and will focus on creating jobs in several industries: ICT, Agriculture, Energy, Water and Leisure... [Read more](#)

### **[Refugee Talents Sign Dutch Labor Contracts at GreenfieldCities](#)**

After a period of volunteering, the most talented Syrian and Eritrean team members earned a well-deserved labor contract to work for GreenfieldCities on our plans to curb migration in their regions of origin. Salim from Syria (left) will be working on research and partnerships, whereas Nahom from Eritrea will be responsible for the... [Read more](#)





## **[GreenfieldCities Office in Jordan Open for Business](#)**

We are thrilled to announce that from July 1st GreenfieldCities has opened its second office, located in a beautiful location in the center of the Jordanian town of Mafraq. Mafraq is the town in Northern Jordan where we will develop our campus. By locating in Mafraq we help to curb the trend of brain drain from the town to Amman, and we walk the talk of acting and hiring locally... [Read more](#)

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