

The Office of Entrepreneurship and Office of Social Welfare of the Consell de Formentera are spearheading a new programme to provide 11 islanders with training and employment support.

SOIB Orientació Plus aims to improve the professional profiles of the most vulnerable groups, particularly the long-term unemployed. In training, participants have completed 120 hours of guidance and support activities, both individually and in groups. For example, they deployed job search techniques at the Enterprise and Employment Fair, practised teamwork and personal development, prepared for the official Catalan courses, and undertook basic IT training and workshops in leadership, customer service and more. The students are currently completing a 200-hour A1-level English course which will end in June.

As Rafael Ramírez, social welfare councillor, put it, "with this programme the administration has supported participants on a personalised path to facilitate their incorporation into the job market". The councillor also pointed out that individuals who complete the programme will receive a grant of €1,800.

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