

1 GATHER INFORMATION

- Look for and meet with 3 to 5 persons of your nationality who managed to get a work permit in the last 2 years (in the country in which you want to work).
- Ask each one of them how they proceeded.
- Select the best alternative that could apply to you.

2 GET SET AND PREPARE YOUR PITCH

Put in writing what you would say:

- in case your interviewer raises the work permit issue;
- if you were to raise it yourself (in case your interviewer does not).

3 REACT POSITIVELY OR RAISE THE ISSUE DURING THE INTERVIEW

You have the choice:

- either to let the interviewer raise this work permit issue;
- or do it yourself, but not too early nor too late during the interview. (You may raise it after 2/3 of the time forecasted for the interview has elapsed).

Your pitch could be something like:

“How do you plan to deal with the work permit issue?”

or

“As for the work permit, it should not be a major issue. I have met with 3 people in the last 2 years (in a similar situation to mine and who carry the same passport as mine) who managed to get a work permit. This is how they went about it....”

“In the interim, until I am granted a work permit, we could very well operate on an Internship basis and these are the rules....”