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Information on Canada’s Open Work Permit

The public is hereby informed that candidates for Canada’s open work permit, under the International Mobility Program are not processed by the POEA, either through private recruitment or government-to-government pathway.

An open work permit in Canada can be issued to a foreign national only under one of the Labour Market Impact Assessment (LMIA) exemptions such as:

- Spouses or common-law partners of skilled workers eligible under paragraph R205(c) (exemption code C41);
- Spouses or common-law partners of foreign students eligible under paragraph R205(c) (exemption code C42);
- Bridging open work permits (exemption code A75);
- Open work permit pilot program for permanent residence applicants in the spouse or common-law partner in Canada class (A70)

For the information and guidance of all concerned,

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