

Business Networks in Denmark

- **National Agency for Enterprise and Construction** (www.ebst.dk): NAEC offers a comprehensive guidance to entrepreneurs and focuses on improving private enterprise culture in Denmark – hereby also links to business networks. In 2003 NAEC presented a new programme consisting of initiatives that aims on promoting entrepreneurship and private enterprise culture in Denmark.

The Start Guide (www.startguiden.dk) is one of these initiatives. The website gathers all kind of informations directed towards both new starters and people who considers the possibilities of being an entrepreneur. The website reaches from guidance in business planning to fiscal informations, guidance about financing, marketing, insurance, conditions of employment a.o. You may also find a private business guide in a database for private guidance (www.startguiden.dk/privraad_soeg/0/42/0).

The Financial Guide (www.finansieringsguiden.dk) is another initiative that provides new starters with a large number of links to financial sources and advice about financial possibilities a.o.

- **Regional business service units in Denmark** (www.startguiden.dk/regionraad/0/12): in January 2004 The Danish Ministry for Trade and Building established a new structure for business guidance, composed of 15 regional service centres spread all over the country. The new centres aim on assisting entrepreneurs and small enterprises (less than 50 employees) in improving business. Each centre has its own website that can be found in the startguide.
Furthermore NAEC establishes in 2005 a number of “**Idea-workshops**” (<http://www.ebst.dk/idevrksteder/0/1/0>) which are incubators for students who wish to try a business idea and learn more about the framework for entrepreneurship a.o.
- **The Business Portal** (www.virk.dk) is developed as a partnership among private and public promoters. The portal offers a broad guidance for business improvement in Denmark.
- **Venture Cup** (www.venturecup.dk) provides network for students, events and a Business-plan-competition
- **The Danish Entrepreneur Organisation** (www.d-i-f.dk) is a Danish business network that today organise about 600 entrepreneurs and 50 enterprises in order to improve the climate of entrepreneurship in Denmark by sharing experiences a.o.
- **Connect Denmark** (www.connectdenmark.dk) is a non-profit organisation for entrepreneurs, investors and professional service providers. Connect Denmark offer entrepreneurs the possibility of presenting their business idea to investors and service providers to get counselling and network.
- **Junior Chambers International in Denmark** (www.juniorchamber.dk) is a worldwide network with a network organisation in Denmark that gathers younger business managers in order to share experiences and improve entrepreneurship and new enterprises in Denmark.
- **Danish Business Angel Network** (www.dban.dk) arranges contacts to private business networks in order to provide financial possibilities and support innovation a.o.

- **“Fire Souls”** (www.ildsjaele.dk) is a Danish network for entrepreneurs and managers who want to improve business by sharing engagement and innovative sparring, workshops a.o. The network counts about 200 members in the Capital area.