



## NEWS REPORT

**Date:** 21 July 2010  
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**Title:** Legislative changes prohibiting discrimination in access to self-employment  
**Country:** Latvia  
**Context**  
**Issue at stake:** Prohibition of discrimination in access to self-employment  
**Ground of discrimination:** Racial/ethnic origin  
**Source:** National legislation  
**Field:** Employment  
**Legislative provisions:** Amendments to the Law on prohibition of discrimination of natural persons who are economic operators (Law adopted on 21 May 2009, published in "Latvijas Vēstnesis", 89 (4075), 9 June 2009, amendments adopted on 25 February 2010, published in "Latvijas Vēstnesis", 43 (4235), 17 March 2010)

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**Law:** The law prohibiting discrimination of self-employed persons (Law on prohibition of discrimination of natural persons who are economic operators) which until now only prohibited discrimination on the grounds of racial or ethnic origin and gender in relation to the supply of and access to goods and services of self-employed persons, was amended on 25 February 2010 (amendments in force from 31 March 2010) to also prohibit discrimination with regard to access to self-employment, on the same grounds.

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