BRING REFUGEES INTO WORK

WHO DOES CHANCE + SUPPORT?

• Asylum seekers
• Refugees
• Persons with “tolerated stay” status

WHAT DOES CHANCE + DO?

• Give advice (including questions regarding right of residence and access to the job market)
• Profiling and coaching
• Help finding employment, apprenticeships/training courses and schools
• Help finding courses to gain qualifications (language, professional skills)
• Give advice on the “IQ (Integration through Qualification) – advice on recognition” service, regarding the recognition of school and professional qualifications from other countries
• Help with finding internships and trial periods of employment
• Multisite training
• Give advice for employers

CHANCE+ advises, cooperates and connects through networking – we work in cooperation with all the relevant players in this area, on both a regional and a national basis. Our goal is the sustainable integration of refugees and persons of a similar background into the job market:

• Immigration authorities
• Jobcenters, employment agencies
• Chambers of Trade and Commerce
• Employers
• Educational and training institutions
• State institutions and authorities
• Organizations for migrants and non-government organizations (NGOs)
• Ministries

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CHANCE+ is a network made up of seven partner projects in Cologne, Bonn, Düsseldorf and the district of Mettmann.

We advise and accompany people who have arrived as refugees on their way into professional life and into the job market. Our goal is to give support to asylum seekers and refugees, both "tolerated" and recognised, in developing their job and professional prospects and putting them into action, thus giving them a foundation which will enable them to build a new life here in Germany. From another perspective, the people arriving in our country are helping us to meet the increasing demand for skilled workers in the job market.

CHANCE+ is coordinated by the Jobcenter Cologne. It is based there, right next to the Integration Point of the Cologne Jobcenter and the Cologne Federal Employment Agency. The close cooperation between the network and local (jobs market) players makes it possible to offer targeted support to people who have come here as refugees. This is achieved by consolidating work offers and information and interlinking the process of gaining qualifications in an optimal way to help them become integrated into the job market.

Our concept for integration into the world of work is based on one-to-one advice and long-term support.

“We see our work here as an important building block for the welcome culture and intercultural openness of our communities”

THE NETWORK

COLOGNE, BONN, DÜSSELDORF, DISTRICT OF METTMANN

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• One-to-one advice and help finding a job or a place at school, on a training course/apprenticeship, as well as on courses to gain qualifications and internships
• Analysis of potential
• Access to Cologne Assistance system services
• Interface for the Cologne Integration Point
• Advice from employers
• Multiplier training

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• Analysis of skills and expertise
• Support in gaining professional qualifications
• In-company training
• Multiplier training
• One-to-one help finding work, plus high level support through the working process

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• Support for young refugees on their way into training/apprenticeships and work – careers advice, training for the application process, trial work periods with our partner companies, support whilst settling into a job.
• Support for companies who offer employment to refugees

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• One-to-one advice and support for integration into the job market
• Help finding services which help to prepare individuals for work e.g. German language courses on work-related themes
• Information events in the residential centers for refugees
• Help finding internships, jobs and training/further education courses
• Advice from employers
• Multiplier training

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