Guideline for international spouses & partners looking for a job or continuing education in Germany

Web-based career guidance information

General information on living in Germany

- “Make it in Germany” provides extensive information about immigration and visa procedures, job-hunting and everyday life in Germany. Official multilingual “Welcome to Germany” portal for international qualified professionals:
- The Germany portal "deutschland.de" is a service provided by FAZIT Communication GmbH, Frankfurt-am-Main, in cooperation with the Federal Foreign Office in Berlin. It offers multilingual services primarily targeting international users. Six sections (politics, business, culture, environment, knowledge and life) offer access to topics that are important to people living in Germany.
  [https://www.deutschland.de/en](https://www.deutschland.de/en)
- Just Landed helps you manage everyday life. The Germany Guide covers topics like visas, housing, jobs and finance and offers a community to get in touch with others.
  [https://www.justlanded.com/english/Germany](https://www.justlanded.com/english/Germany)
- InterNations is a platform created to serve expat communities across the globe. It has communities in 420 cities and 166 countries worldwide. InterNations will help answer all the questions that you have as an expat planning on moving to and working in Germany. Their wide range of resources can help to facilitate your move and settle into the community. You can also add your experience and help other people dealing with these issues. Basic membership is free of charge. An upgrade to Albatross Membership starts at €7.95 per month.
  [https://www.internations.org/germany-expats](https://www.internations.org/germany-expats)
- Federal Office for Migration and Refugees
  Migration to Germany:
  [https://www.bamf.de/EN/Themen/MigrationAufenthalt/migrationaufenthalt-node.html](https://www.bamf.de/EN/Themen/MigrationAufenthalt/migrationaufenthalt-node.html)

Working / Finding a job / Applying

- EURAXESS Germany (Germany for researchers)
The National Coordination Point at the German Aerospace Center is an information and advice point for internationally mobile researchers wishing to come to Germany or go abroad to work in research. This portal contains practical information concerning professional and daily life in Germany, as well as information on job and funding opportunities. Local EURAXESS centres help researchers and their families to plan and organise their move to a foreign country, providing assistance in all matters related to mobility.
  [https://www.euraxess.de/](https://www.euraxess.de/)
- The FEDERAL EMPLOYMENT AGENCY (BA) provides you with helpful resources for searching your career path in Germany.
  [https://www.arbeitsagentur.de/en/welcome](https://www.arbeitsagentur.de/en/welcome)
- Further information on working conditions
  Getting started:
- Online job portals (selection):
  [https://www.academics.de/](https://www.academics.de/) (for science and research)
  [https://www.stepstone.de/](https://www.stepstone.de/)
  [http://www.jobware.de/](http://www.jobware.de/)
  [http://www.monster.de/](http://www.monster.de/)
  [https://de.indeed.com/](https://de.indeed.com/)
  [https://www.thelocal.de/jobs](https://www.thelocal.de/jobs) (English speaking jobs in Germany)

Recognition of vocational credentials

- Federal Ministry of Education and Research
- The Recognition in Germany portal

German language courses

- Options that you have:
  - Language courses at your partner’s university or research institute (dependent on admission requirements)
  - Private language schools
  - Volkshochschulen (VHS, Adult Education Centers)
- Goethe Institut (online German courses, free of charge)
  [https://www.goethe.de/en/spr/ueb.html](https://www.goethe.de/en/spr/ueb.html)
- Federal Office for Migration and Refugees (work-related German courses)

Continuing education

- German Education Server (Deutscher Bildungsserver)
  InfoWeb for continuing education with search tools for courses, local guidance services and financial assistance (available only in German).
  [http://www.iwwb.de/](http://www.iwwb.de/)

http://www.dualcareer-rheinland.de/dc-rheinland/EN/

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