CHANCE+
OUR FOCUS

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 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
• Multiplier 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

Network Management
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**THE TASK**

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**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.

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**THE NETWORK**

**COLOGNE, BONN, DÜSSELDORF, DISTRICT OF METTMANN**

**Jobcenter Cologne**

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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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**IN VIA Catholic Association for Girls’ and Women’s Assistance e.V.**

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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 setting into a job.
- Support for companies who offer employment to refugees

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**Caritasverband for the city of Cologne e.V.**

Spiesergasse 12
50670 Cologne
Tel.: (0221) 16 07 40

- 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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**IN VIA**

**Cologne Refugees Council e.V. Advice Center Bonn**

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53175 Bonn
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- Help finding work, training/apprenticeships and university places
- Help finding German language courses on work-related themes
- Help and support with the application process
- Setting up contact with employers

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