

Dear Madam,

Wuppertal, 16th June 2020

the situation for women who have recently arrived in Germany is still not as good as it could be. The reasons for this have not been sufficiently studied. This applies particularly with regard to opportunities for further education, training, apprenticeships or the world of work.

In order to develop an overview of what support is lacking, but also of what has been successful in that it supported your transition to German life, we are doing something simple: **We are asking you about your personal circumstances.**

Therefore, all we ask is that you participate in our survey.

The survey is being carried out by the EIIW in co-operation with the Jobcenter and the city of Wuppertal. The EIIW is an independent research institute at the University of Wuppertal which is bound by strict data protection measures.

We have sent the questionnaire to you in two languages. If you do not speak either of these languages, please visit the following website: Studie.Wuppertal.de. Here you will find the questionnaire in the following languages:

Please return the survey in the pre-addressed and stamped envelope.

Your questionnaire will be evaluated and the anonymized results will be published in a study.

Please complete the attached EIIW questionnaire **personally**.

You can also take part in a draw for one of three vouchers each to the value of €300. Please use the attached lottery ticket and the smaller envelope enclosed. You can participate in the draw if your questionnaire and the lottery ticket have both been completed in their entirety and if the questionnaire has been returned by the **9th July 2020**. Please enclose the smaller envelope with the lottery ticket and the completed questionnaire in the larger stamped addressed envelope. The draw will be supervised and certified by an independent witness.

Thank you for your participation 😊😊.

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To be entered into the prize draw, we require the following information:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Only lottery tickets which have been returned on time, i.e. by the **9th July 2020** will be entered into the draw.

The lucky winners will be informed by post by the **10th August 2020** at the latest.

The lives and careers of women with a migrant background in Wuppertal

General information

1) General information (questions are for statistical purposes only):

- Country of birth: _____
- Year of birth: _____
- Religious confession:
 - If yes, which: _____
 - No

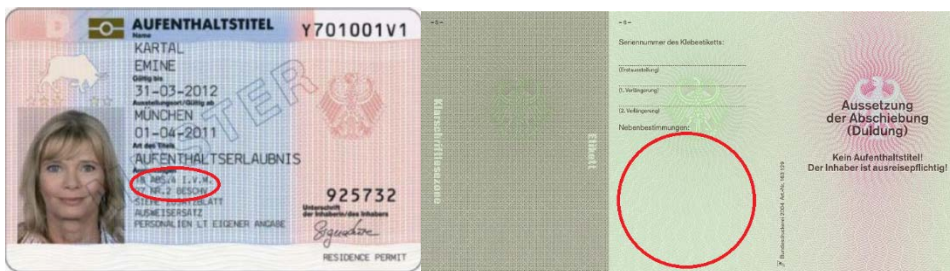
2) Since when have you lived in Germany?

Year: _____

3) Did you migrate to Germany? (alone / migrated to Germany with your family)

- Yes, in the year: _____
- No

4) Please share your residency status on the basis of your identification document:



- Residency permit in accordance with §____ (please provide the relevant § number)
- Short-term residency in accordance with §____ (please provide the relevant § number)
- Temporary residence permit (asylum process)
- Other: _____

5) Please share your preferred hobbies:

- Sport
- Cultural activities
- Cooking
- Being in nature / Gardening
- Creative pass-times e.g. playing music / art / handcrafts

6) Do you use the Wuppertal Pass?

- Yes
- No

7) Do you have any of the following devices with internet access for your personal use:

- | | | | | |
|----------------------|--------------------------|-----|--------------------------|----|
| A mobile/smart phone | <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> | No |
| A tablet | <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> | No |
| A computer | <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> | No |

Domestic and family situation

8) Family status:

- Single
- Married
- Cohabiting partner
- Separated/living apart
- Divorced
- Widowed

9) *If married or cohabiting with a partner:* Does your spouse or partner have a job?

- Unemployed
- In a program, e.g. professional qualification, language course, employment program
- In an apprenticeship or course of study
- In a Mini-job
- Part-time employment
- Full-time employment
- Self-employed

10) Are there children living in your household?

- Yes
- No (if no, please skip to Question 16)

11) Number of children: _____

12) Age of children:

- 0 – 3
- 4 – 5
- 6 – 10
- 11 – 15
- 16 – 17

13) *If you have children between 0 and 10 years of age,* please tick those that apply to you:

- I participate in a structured program; the children are in childcare during this time
- I am undertaking an apprenticeship; the children are in childcare during this time
- I am currently completing a school qualification; the children are in childcare during this time
- I would like to complete a school qualification or an apprenticeship and make use of childcare facilities during this time
- I would like to work and make use of childcare facilities
- I would like to care for the children full-time and am not seeking employment outside the home
- I would like to go to work, childcare will be arranged by the family (e.g. grandparents)

I am currently employed full-time part-time, the children are in childcare

14) *If you are separated/living apart or divorced and have children:* Are you in receipt of child support for these children?

- Yes
- No

15) Do you avail of childcare services?

- Yes
- No

a) *If yes: What type of childcare?*

- Daycare center with 25 hours of childcare per week
- Daycare center with 35 hours of childcare per week
- Daycare center with 45 hours of childcare per week
- A childminder
- All-day school
- School with childcare in the afternoon

b) *If no: Why not?*

- I did not receive a place for my child(ren)
- I do not want to avail of childcare
- Other: _____

Language Skills

16) Does your family speak German at home?

- Yes
- No

17) Do you speak German on a daily basis?

- Yes
- No

18) Have you participated in an integration course?

- Yes I am currently enrolled in an integration course
- No

19) Have you participated in a work-related German language course?

- Yes I am currently participating in a work-related German language course
- No

a) *If yes: Have you have received a certified qualification?*

- No
- A2
- B1
- B2
- C1
- C2

20) Did you use other means to learn the German language?

- Online
- German language course offered by volunteers

- In school
- Alternative: _____

School, Education, Professional Qualification

21) How many years of schooling have you had: _____

22) Do you have a school-leaving qualification (where appropriate, the German qualification comparable to a qualification in country of origin)?

- None
- Special needs school
- High school/Secondary school
- Other: _____
- I am currently in school

23) Did you achieve your school-leaving qualification in Germany?

- Yes
- No

a) *If no:* Is your school-leaving qualification recognized in Germany?

- Yes
- No

24) Have you completed an apprenticeship or avocational qualification (e.g. trade)?

- Yes
- No
- I am currently completing such a qualification

25) Have you completed a course at a third-level institution (e.g. university)?

- Yes
- No
- I am currently a third-level student

a) *If yes:* Is your third-level qualification recognized in Germany?

- Yes
- No

Employment

26) Did you have work experience before you came to Germany?

- No
- Less than 1 year
- 1 – 2 years
- 3 – 4 years
- Longer: _____ years

27) Please tick the following where applicable (multiple answers possible): I am currently employed

- Full-time
- Part-time
- Mini-job
- Self-employed
- Currently not employed

a) *If "Currently not employed":* What are the reasons?

- I cannot find employment
- I would like to work part-time / full-time, *if* I had access to good childcare for my children during the day
- I am looking for an apprenticeship position
- I would like to enroll in university
- I would prefer to be a stay-at-home parent.
- I am a full-time carer for other family members (e.g. elderly relation)
- Other: _____

b) *If "Currently not employed":* I have been unemployed for _____ years

c) *If "Currently not employed":* I hope to find employment within the next _____ year(s)

d) *If "Currently not employed":* Do you require better German language skills in order to find work?

- Yes
- No

e) *Only if "Currently not employed":* Do you require access to achieve a professional qualification?

- Yes
- No

28) If you were previously in employment, what was the primary form of employment?

- I have not been in employment
- Part-time
- Full-time
- Mini-job
- Self-employed

29) How many years of work experience in Germany do have?

- None
- Less than 1 year
- 1 – 2 years
- 2 – 3 years
- 3 - 4 years
- More than 4 years

30) Do you receive financial support from the Jobcenter?

- No, I live from: _____
 Yes, for less than 1 year 1-2 years 3-4 years 5-6 years

Here we want to know your opinion.

31) Which of the following has helped you to access the labor market? (1 a little; 6 a lot)

	1	2	3	4	5	6
Local authorities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Private institution	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Club	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Religious community	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Private persons	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

32) Assess the following statements on a scale of 1 (Strongly disagree) to 6 (Strongly agree):

	1	2	3	4	5	6
My German language skills are very good	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
My computer skills are very good	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
My internet skills are very good	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I am interested in a German language course with childcare	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
It is important for me to have a school-leaving qualification	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I need career guidance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
It is important for me to do an apprenticeship	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
It is important for me to complete a third-level qualification	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
It is important to me to be in paid employment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
An appropriate level of pay for work is important to me	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The possibility to work part-time is important to me	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Flexible working hours are important to me	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Employment close to my residence is important to me	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The type of employment (tasks) is important to me	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Finding a job is important to me	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
It is difficult for me to find a job in Germany	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
It is difficult for me to find a job in the area in which I live	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Religious or cultural motivations have a big influence on my choice of career or job	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Women who wear a headscarf (e.g. hijab, niqab) are discriminated against in their daily life in Germany	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
It is likely that, in the long-term, I will start my own company	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
For family reasons, I will not take up employment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

33) Do you think that women are discriminated against in the work environment in Germany?

- Yes
- No

34) Do you think that foreign women are discriminated against in the work environment in Germany?

- Yes
- No

35) Have you been discriminated against as a women or foreigner in a German workplace?

- Yes
- No

36) Do you know other women who have become unemployed during the last three months?

- Yes
- No

37) Do you know other women who have found new employment during the last three months?

- Yes
- No

38) What type of support measures have you availed of to date?

a) Vocational

b) Private

39) What type of support measures helped you the most?

40) What type of support was most important for you? What kind of support do you feel has been lacking?

41) What are the three most important aspects for you for an enjoyable workplace?

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____

42) Do you have a specific career wish?

Thank you for your participation!