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## A digital job bank giving work to refugees in Germany



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Two refugees working at a food factory / Photo: Bea Arscott, Flickr.

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## DIE ERSTE JOBBÖRSE FÜR GEFLÜCHTETE

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Two young Syrians working in the catering sector / Photo: Zeinab Mohamed, Flickr.

Worker was set up by two young Germans with the aim to facilitate access to the labour market for refugees.

**David Jacob** and **Philipp Kühn**, two young entrepreneurs from Germany, have created a digital platform called

[Workeer](#), the goal of which is to put in touch **refugees** and companies with an open outlook and positive attitude towards this group of people. The **digital job bank**, which is also available on an App for smartphones, has been designed to support refugees when it comes to finding a job and starting an independent life in Germany. “A special motivation for us is to see that the first refugees have already found a job through Workeer”, say both the creators of the job bank while talking for the independent magazine [The Hundert](#).

The job bank currently displays **2470 job vacancies** in the fields of architecture, marketing, public relations, telecommunications, medicine, tourism, catering, energy, etc. A distinctive feature of the job offers is that they can be filtered by language level. For example: people who don't have a high enough **level of German** can search for jobs that don't require a high level of oral expression in German and, vice-versa, people who do have a high level of German can look for jobs with a broader idiomatic filter. In total, according to data from the platform, there are 2998 people looking for a job on Workeer and 2227 recruiters.

The two young creators, who live in Berlin, came up with the idea of setting up the first job-searching platform focusing specifically on refugees in Germany so as to help them **integrate** into the German society and also to contribute to a **better social climate**. According to Jacob and Kühn in declarations made to [Global Voices Online](#), in doing so, “their successful access to the labour market is an achievement for society as a whole”.

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