

The Digital Integration Platform

Helping municipalities to integrate migrants and refugees

### From pilot project to nationwide solution.



- Jointly developed in 2015 by the integration association "Tür an Tür," the Technical University of Munich, and the Social Department of the City of Augsburg.
- Integreat helps ...
  - .... people to find their way in a new environment
  - .... integration officers to do their work quickly and efficiently.
  - .... municipalities to carry out digital integration work cost-effectively.
- Integreat connects integration actors on the ground and is used by ~90 municipalities across Germany.



# Integreat decreases information poverty.



#### **Situation**



Almost all migrants and refugees have access to a smartphone



Integration-related topics are very dynamic – as is the content



A stable internet connection is not always guaranteed

### **Solution**



Integreat makes **local** information, offers, tips, contacts and addresses easily accessible.



Authorities and advisory services can focus on 1-on-1 consultations as important resources are freed up.

# Open data for information transparency.



- Local integration information provided by experts on-site
- Collaboration and shared usage of content and translations
- Multilingual content digitally available and easy-to-find via search engines
- Interfaces to additional relevant services (e.g. job platforms)
- Open Source and Open Data ensure sustainability and transparency

# Facilitating local integration processes.



- Municipal integration officers are supported by the Integreat team in their responsibility to provide information transparency on a local level.
- A shared communication space between integration actors, volunteers, migrants and the municipality is created.
- Knowledge transfer between all municipal partners is encouraged and enabled by annual regional and nationwide events.
- While events such as the Covid-19 pandemic or the war in Ukraine spark awareness of information necessity creating lasting cooperations is key.

# Looking ahead.



- Improved understanding of migrants needs through randomized controlled trial
- Reducing translation costs by offering improved automatic translations
- Strengthening links to municipal websites by enabling integration of Integreat
- Easing information search within Integreat by piloting a chatbot
- Scaling the impact beyond Germany through international cooperations



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