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***The Integration of Refugees
into the Labour Market
– The German Experience –***

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Statistical Data

2015: 890,000 asylum seekers

2016: 280,000 asylum seekers

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The legal framework

– a patchwork –

Immigration Act

Residence Act

Asylum Act

Asylumseekers' Benefits Act

Integration Act

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The new Immigration Policy

(2000 – now)

Immigration Act (2005)

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The Residence Act (Aufenthaltsgesetz)

controlled immigration
through the issue
of a **residence permit**

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Residence Permit

↓ allows for

(self-)employment

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express allowance

priority check by the Federal Employment Agency

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Residence permits for refugees

- recognised refugee status
- subsidiary protection



(self-)employment without priority check

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Asylum Seekers



permission to stay

no right to immediate (self-)employment

permission to take up employment

from the 4th month until the 15th month

after priority check by the Federal Employment Agency

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Professional qualification of the refugees

- I. Promotion of language skills
 1. The language situation of refugees
 2. The integration course

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Promotion of Vocational Training

dependent on the legal status
refugees with a residence permit



active labour market measures

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Promotion of Vocational Training

extension of the right to
active labour market measures
to asylum seekers
with expectations to remain permanently
by the Integration Act (2016)

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Special Employment Opportunities

work opportunities in reception centres

integration measures for asylum seekers

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Permanent Settlement Permit

residence permits and permission to stay:
limited to three years

permanent settlement permit:
on numerous conditions

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Evaluation

Lack of criteria

The demographic argument

The cultural approach

Statistical data