

STEP INTO GERMAN – GERMAN AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE FOR EXPATRIATES

INFO SHEET



In many active international companies, using the special know-how and specific skills of employees from a foreign sister company on site in Germany, has long since become standard.

However in order to make use of this potential, these employees require a quick and efficient introduction to the German language – not only to enable them to speak in a sophisticated and confident manner in the workplace, but also to make the integration into the German environment easier for them (and their accompanied relatives), and in turn to improve their wellbeing and their capabilities in the new environment. Only the rapid and accurate language acquisition provides your company with new high performing personnel.

INDIVIDUAL LEARNING PROGRAM

To this end, KERN AG IKL developed the “Step into German” program. With this flexible, participant oriented, adjustable course, prompt integration into the German living and working environment is made possible for foreign professionals and executives.

Over several weeks of intensive courses, which are at least half a day in length and led by experienced KERN AG IKL trainers, the participants will be introduced to the German language as well as the German culture, in either one-to-one or group sessions.

The training is focused on the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEF) and enables a participant without prior language knowledge to reach intermediate level (B1) after just two months of full time lessons. From this point onwards, extensive training, e.g. twice weekly, also leads to rapid further success, especially in developing job related skills.

This makes “Step into German”, thanks to the rapid learning progress and its diverse, participant oriented content, a course program which has already been used by many large companies to smoothly integrate foreign employees into German locations and to give them the foundations to create a successful business and private life in Germany.

MEASURABLE SUCCESS IN THE SHORTEST POSSIBLE TIME

The key points of “Step into German” are:

- Every-day and job-specific training programs including interactive learning modules in the living and working environment.
- Individual learning speed
- Speaking time of more than 70% even after a short time
- Inclusion of intercultural aspects by request: Parallel program for relatives (spouse and children)
 - Individual training
 - Partner training
 - Mother and child training

Intensive training possible after just a few weeks with “Step into German”:

- Safe orientation in everyday life
- Efficient operation in the workplace
 - on the telephone
 - in business correspondence
 - in reading technical papers
 - in meetings and discussions
 - in direct contact with customers and suppliers

And furthermore:

- Understanding and drafting demanding technical texts
- Independent creation of presentations and reports
- Reliable negotiation skills in German

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