

Promoting voluntary return to Nigeria in 2010

Services offered

In 2010 any voluntary return to Nigeria may be supported within the IntegPlan project by means of:

- (1) Information services on voluntary return to Nigeria
- (2) Counseling of Nigerians in Germany, i.e. Nigerians who are willing to return to their home country.
- (3) Information events on voluntary return to Nigeria
- (4) Support with the entry into Nigeria
- (5) Support with business start-ups in Nigeria

The services are offered to Nigerians

- who live in the German states of Baden-Wuerttemberg, Lower Saxony or North Rhine- Westphalia **and**
- are obliged to leave Germany **and**
- are leaving voluntarily.

Procedures

(1) *Information service on voluntary return to Nigeria*

Return counselors or potential returnees may contact Ms Nina Hoferichter with their relevant questions. She will forward them to the cooperation partner in Nigeria for further processing. The reply will be emailed to you.

(2) *Counseling of Nigerians in Germany, that is Nigerians who are willing to return*

Nigerians who are interested in returning to their home country may contact Ms Stephanie Alofuokhai-Ghogomu by phone or by email. She will advise the persons concerned on their options of return. In exceptional cases a consultancy appointment with a return counselor may be arranged, too.

(3) *Information sessions on the voluntary return to Nigeria*

Information sessions on voluntary return to Nigeria will take place at the return counseling organization if there is sufficient interest. Usually Ms Nina Hoferichter and Ms Stephanie Alofuokhai-Ghogomu will be there to provide the respective information.

(4) *Support with entry into Nigeria*

The entry to Nigeria is supported by a Nigerian non-governmental organization. This support includes:

- Relatives in Nigeria get informed about the return (in coordination with the returnee)
- Reception of the returnee from the airport of Lagos
- Transfer to accommodation in Lagos
- Payment of returnee grants (e.g. governmental subsidies)

(5) *Support with business start-ups in Nigeria*

Returnees who intend to earn a living by setting up a business in the informal urban sector may submit a proposal for setting up their own business to their counseling organization.

AGEF or others will counsel them on the implementation of their individual business idea before they even leave Germany.

In Nigeria, the Nigerian non-governmental organization will support adapting the idea for a business start-up to the local conditions and identifying the final location of the actual business. This includes a thorough consultation on business start-ups based on the local know-how and the payment of financial support according to a payment schedule agreed upon beforehand. The support is limited to a period of six months time beginning from the date of entry.

The process of starting up business will be coordinated with AGEF in a case-related way and actually be implemented and documented by means of the CCM Return Tool. Counseling organizations who are not familiar with the CCM Return Tool yet will be supported by Nina Hoferichter.

Financial arrangements

Within the IntegPlan network, IntegPlan supports the participating German federal states with the implementation of voluntary return activities to Nigeria. **IntegPlan takes over the costs for the provision of the above services in Germany and in Nigeria.**

Travel costs and subsidies for supporting individual return activities and possibly for setting up a business is as before up to the German federal states involved and the respective local governments and is carried out in accordance with the existing regulations.

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