

City tour with Picnic Organized by Azubiyo GmbH for Plant-a-Talent Candidates

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A total of 11 candidates from Plant-a-Talent and 10 employees from **Azubiyo** participated in a very special form of integration on this day. Via a unique project organized by the volunteer agency, **Tatendrang** called "*Marktplatzes Gute Geschäfte München*", **Azubiyo GmbH's** employees dedicated time to show refugees and immigrants their favorite places in Munich. This special and personalized city tour was designed and organized by **Azubiyo** employees and allowed plenty of personal exchanges between the Plant-a-Talent candidates and the **Azubiyo** employees. There were many enriched intercultural conversations about the Eisbach wave, Hofgarten and Residenz. The groups strolled to Odeonsplatz, in the direction of Königsplatz and then the University area, where they enjoyed a lovely view of their new hometown from the cafe in the Vorhoelzer Forum. After the last stop at the university, all participants were invited to partake in a small picnic in the English Garden.

The walk and the many personal stories exchanged helped to create more connections between the **Azubiyo** Munich residents and our newly arrived candidates. These closer personal interactions aid in breaking down prejudices and in planting the seeds for the first personal relationships. Smiling faces illustrate that newly discovered joint interests via shared stories bring people closer to each other and reveal how similar we are all as human beings.

The **Azubiyo** team members were excited to experience this special intercultural exchange: "Our walking tour last week with 13 Plant-a-Talent candidates was a complete success. We showed the participants our personal favorite spots in Munich. The route started at the Odeonsplatz, went over the Königsplatz, the universities TU & LMU and ended in the English Garden. At the same time, it was fun to meet with different personalities and cultural backgrounds and to promote mutual understanding", said several team members after the event.

Plant-a-Talent would like to thank **Azubiyo's** team and is looking forward to further joint activities.

