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Integration of Refugees into Language, Training and Work



### **INITIAL SITUATION**

# With the acceleration of the asylum procedure, the focus is turning to integration into language, training and work

At least 1.1 million in 2016 Asylum decisions

New admissions in 2016<sup>1</sup>:

 $\sim 500,000^2$ 

Pending asylum procedures<sup>3</sup>:

~ 370,000

EASY Gap<sup>3</sup>:

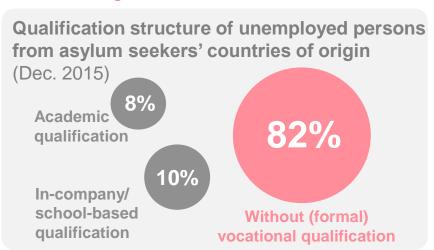
~ 380,000

~ **700,000** positive decisions<sup>4</sup> expected in 2016 (~ **500,000** able to work<sup>5,6</sup>)

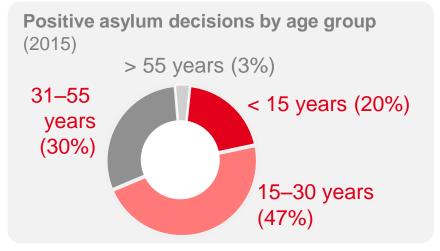
The challenge for 2016 is integration into language, training and work

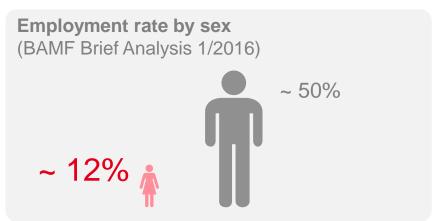
# Characteristics of refugees and company surveys highlight challenges and opportunities

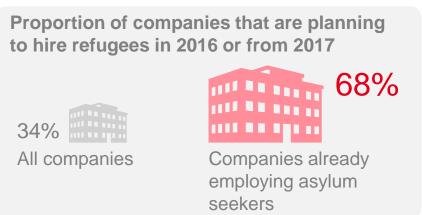
### Challenges



## **Opportunities**







#### OBJECTIVE AND AREAS OF ACTION



# The BA uses six areas of action to address the integration of refugees into language, training and work





Compatible transition from asylum process to integration process

Making contact early, already in reception centres, with persons entitled to asylum and who are able to work

2 Compulsory and systematic language development
Early provision of compulsory language courses in combination with practical visits/internships at companies

### Scaling of careers counselling

Widespread careers counselling, including through digital services, especially for the 15–30 age group

### Skills identification and profile building

4 Stepping up the identification of technical and interdisciplinary skills through early screening and agile profile sharpening

### Modular partial qualifications and further training

Provision of modular training (partial qualifications, combining theory and practice)

Integration into training and work

### **Interconnected employer initiatives**

6 Employer initiative consisting of a dual programme of language learning and employment opportunities at the company

Initiatives also drive systemic change for other target groups