

## Overview about voluntary assisted return programmes available throughout Germany, classified by countries

Country/ Citizenship	REAG/GARP: Countries with GARP-start-up cash	StarthilfePlus	ERIN
Afghanistan	✓ Group 1	✓	✓
Albania	----	Only level D	
Algeria	✓ Group 2	✓	
Armenia	✓ Group 2	Registration before 01-12-2017 required	
Azerbaijan	✓ Group 2	Registration before 01-12-2017 required	
Bangladesh	✓ Group 2	✓	✓
Benin	✓ Group 2	✓	
Burkina Faso	✓ Group 2	✓	
Cameroon	✓ Group 2	✓	
China	✓ Group 2	✓	
Côte d'Ivoire <sup>1</sup>	✓ Group 2	✓	✓
DR Kongo	✓ Group 2	✓	
Egypt	✓ Group 2	✓	From 01-11-2018
Eritrea	✓ Group 1	✓	
Ethiopia	✓ Group 1	✓	From 01-11-2018
Gambia	✓ Group 1	✓	
Georgia	No GARP-start-up cash if entry into Germany was after 27-03-17	Registration before 01-12-2017 required	
Ghana	✓ Group 1	✓	Since 01-08-2018
Guinea	✓ Group 2	✓	
Guinea-Bissau	✓ Group 2	✓	
India	✓ Group 2	✓	✓
Iran <sup>1</sup>	✓ Group 1	✓	✓
Iraq	✓ Group 1	✓	✓
Kenya	✓ Group 2	✓	
Lebanon	✓ Group 2	✓	
Libya <sup>2</sup>	✓ Group 2	✓	
Mali	✓ Group 2	✓	
Morocco	✓ Group 2	✓	✓
Mongolia	✓ Group 2	✓	
Niger	✓ Group 2	✓	
Nigeria	✓ Group 1	✓	✓

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Pakistan	✓ Group 1	✓	✓
Palestinian territories	✓ Group 2	✓	
Russ. Federation	✓ Group 2	Registration before 01-12-2017 required	From 01-11-2018 entire Russ. Federation
Senegal <sup>1</sup>	✓ Group 2	✓	✓
Serbia	----	Only level D	
Sierra Leone	✓ Group 2	✓	
Somalia	✓ Group 2	✓	only Somaliland <sup>1</sup>
Sri Lanka	✓ Group 2	✓	✓
Sudan <sup>1</sup>	✓ Group 2	✓	✓
Syria <sup>2</sup>	✓ Group 2	✓	
Tajikistan	✓ Group 2	✓	
Togo	✓ Group 2	✓	
Turkey	✓ Group 2	Registration before 01-12-2017 required	
Tunisia	✓ Group 2	✓	
Ukraine	No GARP-start-up cash if entry into Germany was after 10-06-17	Registration before 01-12-2017 required	✓
Vietnam	✓ Gruppe 2	✓	

<sup>1</sup> In these countries there is currently a delay in the support through ERIN. Applications are nevertheless still accepted.

<sup>2</sup> Due to the present difficult security situation in Syria, voluntary return through IOM's return assistance programmes REAG/GARP and StarthilfePlus are currently not possible. For more information please contact the BAMF return hotline (Phone.: 0911 943 0) or send an Email to [service@bamf.bund.de](mailto:service@bamf.bund.de)

Assisted voluntary return programmes:

### **REAG/GARP**

REAG/GARP grants with regard to payment of transport costs, travel assistance and initial aid to those looking to make a new start in above-mentioned countries that are significant in terms of migration policy.

For countries of group 1 - Afghanistan, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gambia, Ghana, Iran, Iraq, Nigeria, Pakistan – 500 Euro are provided per adult, for group 2 it is 300 Euro.

For nationals from third countries that are not mentioned in this table transport costs and travel assistance can be granted within the REAG/GARP programme. No travel assistance is granted to nationals of European third countries, who are permitted to enter Germany without a visa (for example

countries of the Western Balkans, Ukraine after 10<sup>th</sup> June 2017, Georgia after 27<sup>th</sup> March 2017)

### **StarthilfePlus**

In addition to the humanitarian programme REAG/GARP, the Federal Government offers additional financial assistance to asylum-seekers who bindingly opt for a voluntary return. The amount of the start-up assistance depends on the status or rather on the outcome of the asylum proceedings:

Level 1: before conclusion of the asylum proceedings (1,200 Euro)

Level 2: after rejection of the asylum application (800 Euro)

Level S: after granting of a protection under German law (refugee protection, entitlement to asylum, subsidiary protection) (800 Euro)

Level D: for persons from Albania or Serbia who have been tolerated for at least two years in Germany (500 Euro); in addition reintegration support, depending on need, can be granted in kind

→ residential costs up to 2,000 Euro for families and up to 1,000 Euro for individuals

→ medical costs up to 3,000 Euro for families and up to 1,500 Euro for individuals

Minors are not subject of these conditions.

### **ERIN / ERRIN**

After returning to the country of origin this reintegration programme offers individual reintegration assistance granted in kind. The reintegration assistance includes e.g. support in setting up a business, vocational trainings, job counselling, or medical and legal advice.

For details on the amount of the support details please check the current ERIN programme profile and the website of the Federal Office for Migration and Refugees.

Detailed descriptions of the target group, prerequisites, exclusion criteria for support and more information is available at the BAMF-website [www.bamf.de/EN/Rueckkehr/rueckkehr-node.html](http://www.bamf.de/EN/Rueckkehr/rueckkehr-node.html) or [www.ReturningfromGermany.de/en/](http://www.ReturningfromGermany.de/en/)