# Brochure

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What is josoor?

JOSOOR is a European- wide platform that connects refugees, supporters and organisations to build a community and create huge impact, long- term, sustainable solutions together. It is an easy to use and highly cost- efficient tool to facilitate successful inclusion of refugees in Europe.

The power of JOSOOR lies in its strong ties with the community. Instead of professional “experts” creating top- down solutions for the target group, we are ourselves part of the target group, share their experience and maximize their participation.

Who are we?

JOSOOR was created by Qutaiba, a refugee from Syria, and Natalie, a supporter from Vienna. We combined our experiences and perspectives to build a comprehensive solution for the many- faceted problems refugees and supporters encounter.

The team of JOSOOR covers many different backgrounds and experiences. All its members, no matter what their professional or personal background, share one thing: the belief that humanity enables us to overcome any obstacle.

The many different fields of expertise of our team members are complemented by our friends and advisers from an even greater bandwidth of professional backgrounds, covering everything from web designers to high-ranking government officials.

Why are we building josoor?

With JOSOOR, we are aiming at solving five key problems:

* accessibility
* participation
* communication & coordination
* social life
* scattered individual puzzle pieces without a big picture

In our opinion, the solution lies in

* building bridges between refugees and locals to create a social community online as well as offline
* building bridges between initiatives and organisations to ease and facilitate coordination and cooperation between them
* building bridges between the community and organisations to assure for accessibilty and participation and thus enable efficient use of resources and efforts

This way, we will build a strong, empowered community of refugees and locals all over Europe and connect it with organisations while providing tools for all our platform members to solve the various problems they encounter. The main goal is to facilitate successful inclusion of refugees and immigrants into their new communities.

How will it look like?

The platform will have two main sections, one for the community and one for organisations.

JOSOOR Community: Any individual can sign up to become a member of JOSOOR community and use the Beta Version with the first basic features.

Our technical team is right now working on developing the Beta Version and already preparing the development of the following features which will be available soon after the launch:

* chose between Arabic, English, Farsi and German (with more languages to be added soon)
* create a profile
* connect with other individuals
* use a geolocation map showing all organisations, services and points of interest for refugees and supporters
* make additional entries in the map
* see organisational profiles
* follow organisations to get updates
* see and attend volunteering requests and job postings from organisations
* search for and attend events
* create events
* join and create groups to exchange with other people with the same interests
* find information on issues refugees are faced with
* ask questions that are not answered yet and answer questions asked by others
* apply to be part of the JOSOOR team as translator
* apply to be part of the JOSOOR team and manage your local community as an Ambassador

JOSOOR Circles: for any organisation, initiative, etc. to connect with other organisations and get in touch with the community

* create a profile
* list your organisation in our geolocation feature
* get an overview of the organisational landscape
* connect with and message other organisations
* post smart volunteering requests
* access data from our surveys to better get to know the communities wishes, needs and ideas
* create events
* use your access to the community for fundraising

JOSOOR will thus serve as a starting point for refugees, locals and organisations all over Europe who want to find information of any kind in their language, participate in helping refugees, communicate and coordinate their work, get in touch with other people, get active by volunteering, finding volunteers to help with their workload, and so much more.

The main goal is to create a big picture out of all the already existing individual puzzle pieces.

We will make sure to continuously collect feedback, ideas and wishes from the community to constantly develop additional features according to the communities needs.

Examples for what could be added next:

* Add additional languages
* Add businesses to the platform
* Circles: joint venture feature to help initiatives find partners to expand to new communities
* Circles: grants & funds to connect organisations searching for funding with fund providers
* Circles & Community: offer&seek board

What are we waiting for?

Right now we are raising funds to build the platform. In August 2016, we will launch the first version of JOSOOR with basic features to give the people access to it while we continue working on all the additional features. In this phase, we will strongly rely on the communities feedback and ideas to decide on which additional features to provide next.

What can you do?

There are many ways to participate and help building the very first community platform for refugees and supporters:

* Donate: we have 50.000 Euros available so far, but that wont get us all the way to finalise the platform. Every Euro counts!
* Spread the word: JOSOOR relies on a strong community – the more, the better!
* Join our Team: you are super motivated and want to donate your time and work for the greater purpose? Awesome! We are always on the lookout for enthusiastic people to join our team!
* Sponsor us: You own a company and would like to do good while at the same time attracting new customers? Check out our sponsorship options!

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