

## Lasst uns nicht in Regen stehen und Studentenwerk

The City of Hannover of Hannover has started a new campaign promoting the need of accommodation for new students in Hannover, while the new semester begins.

(Information on the new campaign and Summary of the articles "Studetenzimmer, dringend gesucht" published in Hannoversche Allgemeine Newspaper on 29<sup>th</sup> Augugst 2018 and "Wohnraum für Studenten aus dem Ausland gesucht" published in Neue Presse Newspaper on 29<sup>th</sup> August 2018)

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Due to a growing number of students in Hannover, City of Hannover has launched a new accommodation search initiative with an Indian Student as a face of the campaign. This campaign shows the increasing number of Indian Students in Hannover and their importance to Hannover.

It is increasingly becoming difficult for foreign students to find a small and affordable place to stay in Hannover. As new students, fully motivated to start their studies, start coming to Hannover with the beginning of the new semester, it is a big task to find new accommodation for them.

Studentenwerk is always a motivation for the students to ask for help, getting the right information and ideas on how to manage their problems. Studentenwerk and the City of Hannover want to motivate people here in Hannover to give private places for rent for foreign students.

Most of the times, less language skills, less time, less cultural knowledge, less experience, prejudice from house owners and the amount of new students are some of the facts that cause difficulties.

But Hannover clearly welcomes the intellectual young minds from other countries and they want to solve these issues of finding an accommodation with the help of a new campaign, "Lasst uns nicht in Regen stehen" (Don't let us stand in rain).

The campaign tries to convey the situation and its need through examples of two students and how these two students came to a satisfied solution.

Kyounghye Cho from South Korea found a place in a private home with contact to the German family which is actually helping a lot more to learn the language.



(Face of the new Wohnraumkampagne (Accomodation campaign) "Lasst uns nicht in Regen stehen", Mr.
Rajesh Sriram, an Indian Student in Hannover)

And Rajesh Sriram from India who already learned some German before, had a brilliant idea of making a small video promoting himself to be the best person to get the accommodation he applied for, which fastened the process and was appreciated a lot to get a place to stay.

The articles also hightlight one more information next to the living challenges mostly not known but crucial to have is the so called "Wohnbelegungsbescheinigung", a paper that allows to use libraries and open a bank account. Mr Markus Remmers, the person responsible for foreign students at the Leibniz University Hannover confirms that most of the students have no idea about this paper and this also makes it difficult sometimes to get the right things in right place.

Rajesh and Kyounghye affirmatively confirm that there is no reason for one to think that there is no place to stay so I go back. They say they have come and they will make through the challenges.

Link to the Campaign Video: Lasst uns nicht in Regen stehen