

Nuremberg/Siegen, April 2022

**Survey on the importance of religion for refugees' coping with life.  
20 euros as a thank you gift for taking part!**

Dear participant,

This letter is **addressed to young people who have fled their home country and are seeking protection in Germany**. If this does not apply to you, you do not need to read the letter. You are then welcome to pass it on to friends who have fled Syria, Iraq or Afghanistan and are between 16 and 24 years old.

We want to find out how young people with refugee experience are doing so that they can be better supported. We want to understand what role religion plays in their lives. That is why we are conducting a **survey**. We ask you to take part in the survey.

We are researchers from the Universities of Erlangen-Nuremberg and Siegen. **We are independent of the state and the immigration authorities**. Your answers will also not be forwarded to authorities. No name or place of interview will be mentioned in the evaluation of the survey. **You will therefore remain anonymous**. Whether you participate in the study or not has no consequences for your asylum application or residence status. Participation is **completely voluntary**. Our survey and the handling of the data collected through it comply with the European data protection guidelines and have been approved by the data protection officers of our two universities. This means that no one can later see what you have answered. You will find a more detailed privacy statement in the letter or the start page of the survey. At the beginning of the survey, you must - as the regulation requires - declare your consent on the computer or smartphone.

The **questionnaire** we would like you to fill out is available in Arabic, Farsi, Kurmanji, English and German. You can choose for yourself in which language you would like to contact us and also fill out the questionnaire in the language of your choice.

To give you a more detailed picture of the questionnaire, we present a few questions below:

How satisfied are you with your life at the moment?

How important is your religion/faith to you?

What is your impression, are the refugees getting enough help here locally?

Do you personally get enough help?

We are very happy if you take part in our survey and help us to better understand the lives of refugees! We would like to thank you with a **gift card** worth **20 euros**.

If you are willing to participate in the survey, please use one of the options below to contact us. **An interviewer will then contact you to arrange a meeting.** You can choose whether this meeting takes place at your home, in a coffee shop or at our university. The interviewer will then help you fill out the questionnaire on a computer/tablet or on your smartphone.

To participate you have the following options:

**Possibility 1:** Scan the QR code on the right or call up this link: [www.rereri.phil.fau.de/join](http://www.rereri.phil.fau.de/join). You will then be redirected to our website, where you will find a video and even more information. There you can report back using the reply form.

To the registration:



**Possibility 2:** Write us an e-mail with your name and telephone number (please send to: [projekt-rereri@fau.de](mailto:projekt-rereri@fau.de)) and let us know in which language you would prefer to answer the questionnaire. In addition, please write to us if there is a second language in which you could also answer the questionnaire.

If you still have questions, you can also write them to the e-mail address [projekt-rereri@fau.de](mailto:projekt-rereri@fau.de).

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'M. Pirner'.

Prof Dr. Manfred Pirner

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Ulrich Riegel'.

Prof Dr. Ulrich Riegel