



I WANT TO BE MY OWN BOSS!

SELF-EMPLOYMENT IN BREMEN

Do you want to start your own business in Bremen? We will provide you with an overview of the rules in place in Bremen and in Germany as a whole.



YOUR RESIDENTIAL STATUS: WELCOME SERVICE

“Am I eligible to run a business in Germany?”

This question is very important. The Welcome Service in Bremen can help you check your eligibility.

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REGISTERING FOR TAX: TAX OFFICE, BREMEN

“What should I be aware of when filling out my tax return?”

The tax office can provide you with advice on taxation. They also provide you with your very own tax identification number, which you will need when you start working for yourself.

Your contact in Bremen:

Kai Uwe Rosenberg

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Bernd Bätjer

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Josie Strobl

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Tax consultants will be able to help you, but please note that they charge a fee for this service.



The Language Coordination Office runs German courses for adults who have immigrated to the state of Bremen: > familiennetz-bremen.de | > welcometobremen.de | > www.zsb-drk-bremen.de

Information on working for yourself: > welcometobremen.de



**REGISTERING WITH A HEALTH
INSURANCE PROVIDER:
YOUR HEALTH INSURANCE PROVIDER**

When it comes to your health, there are people there to help you.

Everyone in Germany is entitled to receive care from a doctor should they fall ill or injure themselves. This costs money. If you start working for yourself, a proportion of your earnings go to your health insurance provider.

Please contact your provider and let them know about the change to your employment status. Your provider will then liaise with you and make any necessary changes to your insurance policy.

www.existenzgruender.de/DE/Gruendung-vorbereiten/Gruendungswissen/Versicherungen-Vorsorge/Krank-en-Pflegeversicherung/inhalt.html



**REGISTERING A BUSINESS:
TRADE LICENSING OFFICE, BREMEN**

“Do I need to register a business with the local licensing office?”

Anyone who wants to set up their own business needs to have an operating license. There are many ways to register a business. We will show you what your options are:

Your one-stop-shop for Business Support in the state of Bremen

Our Business Support team in Bremen can provide help when registering a business – and they can also provide multilingual support. Our one-stop shop will help you to register your business.

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Online: <https://gewerbeauskunft.bremen.de/navigaweb>

Gewerbemeldestelle (Trade Licensing Office)

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Mon., Tue., Thurs., 08:00 - 12:00

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**STARTHAUS
INITIATIVE**

In Bremen, you receive support as you start your journey to becoming self-employed. There is a variety of service providers available to help you start your self-employed journey.

THE STARTHAUS

The Starthaus team would be happy to discuss your business ideas and provide you with advice. The team is part of a large network and may also be able to put you in touch with useful contacts based in Bremen. They will provide you with valuable advice concerning your ideas and how they may be improved upon.

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THE CHAMBER OF CRAFTS AND TRADES IS THERE FOR ALL TRADESMEN:

All tradesmen belong to the Chamber of Crafts and Trades and pay a membership fee for the privilege. In exchange, you will receive help from the Chamber.

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THE CHAMBER OF CRAFTS AND TRADES IS THERE TO HELP ALL OTHER BUSINESSES:

Are you registering a business? The staff at the Chamber of Crafts and Trades would be happy to assist you with any questions you may have. You might be seeking advice on importing goods from overseas - whatever it is, the Chamber would be happy to help.

Piet de Boer

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THE NPO “FRAUEN IN ARBEIT UND WIRTSCHAFT” PROVIDES ASSISTANCE TO WOMEN IN BUSINESS:

Are you a woman who wants to work for herself? Then the team at Frauen in Arbeit und Wirtschaft would be happy to assist you. You will get to talk to them about their experiences of starting up a business as a woman, and they will talk you through what you need to do to get your business off the ground.

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