Description of the DAAD - Subproject by the University of Applied Science Neubrandenburg

**Topic:** A differentiated exposition of criteria for a successful integration of refugees in Neubrandenburg, Germany, from different perspectives.

The following subproject of the University of Applied Science Neubrandenburg as part of the international DAAD Project “Integration of refugees in Germany, Palestine and Jordan” aims at a differentiated exposition of criteria for a successful integration of refugees in Neubrandenburg, Germany, from different perspectives. The motivation for this specialised topic was the fact that ideas about a successful integration of refugees into the German society and its methods often seem to drift apart or at least vary between different subgroups, which can complicate the process of successful integration. There are three major parties identified by the project team, whose ideas should be compared with each other:

- German political and administrative actors,
- German citizens and
- Refugees, coming to Germany from different cultures of the world.

All of their ideas, of course, have their justification and reasons for existence. But the most important aspect in this context is to find a way of bringing together these opinions and ideas as close as possible, so that this multicultural society can develop its full potential. Subordinated to this main goal is, of course, to firstly find out, if the ideas about the criteria for a successful integration process really vary that much between these three different parties and if so, or if not so, which interventions could be suitable for a successful integration process, that compromise the ideas of all three parties to the best.

Therefore, the research question on which the focus is put during the coming research process is the following:

*What are the different criteria for a successful integration of refugees into the German society from the perspective of German political and administrative actors, German citizens and refugees coming to Germany?*
Methods:

1. **Pre-test: Collecting first data, getting an overview and planning the actual data collection**
   - 1.1 Getting into dialogue with refugee facilities in Neubrandenburg (KDL 1)
   - 1.2 Getting into dialogue with political and administrative actors in Mecklenburg-Vorpommern (KDL 2)
   - 1.3 Getting into dialogue with NGOs working with refugees (KDL 3)
   - 1.4 Getting into dialogue with refugees in Neubrandenburg (KDL 4)
   - 1.5 Workshop KDPP1 “Intercultural Methods and Intercultural Competence in Social Work”
   - 1.6 Workshop KDPP2 “Design and Implementation of an intercultural Intervention”
   - 1.7 Workshop KDPP3 “Designing a qualitative questionnaire”
   - 1.8 Workshop KDPP4 “Designing a quantitative questionnaire”
   - 1.9 Workshop WL1 “Evaluation and Outcome for Teaching”

2. **Implementation of the project**
   - 2.1 Qualitative approach: 5 to 10 guided interviews with political and administrative actors
   - 2.2 Quantitative survey with German citizens in Neubrandenburg at public spots or district office
   - 2.3 Quantitative survey with refugees in Germany at Café International Neubrandenburg or refugee facilities
   - 2.4 Transcription

3. **Documentation**
   - Putting all data together into one report