

# Migration and Integration Advisory Board of the City of Linz

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The Migration and Integration Advisory Board of the City of Linz (MIB) is the mouthpiece of all immigrants. The Board represents the political interests of all citizens, who live in Linz and have an immigrant background. It comprises a maximum of 21 appointed honorary members. In addition, each of the parties represented in the municipal council (SPÖ, FPÖ, ÖVP, Grüne, NEOS, KPÖ) sends a member who has an advisory vote on the Board.

## Origin

The Foreigner-Integration Advisory Board (AIB) of Linz was established in 1996. Until 2008, the members of the AIB were chosen in a direct voting process. Since then, the mayor of the City of Linz has appointed the members for a period of six years. The council has been renamed to the Migration and Integration Advisory Board.

## Working methods

The Migration and Integration Advisory Board holds regular working sessions and public meetings. The official office of the Advisory Board is the Integration Office of the City of Linz.



# Goals and Tasks

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- Representation of the interests of immigrants at the communal level
- Improvement of the situation of immigrants in various areas of life
- Reduction of prejudice and discrimination
- Promotion of initiatives and projects for more understanding in society
- Working for the realization of a right to vote in communal elections for all immigrants

## Tasks

- Maintaining contacts to the migrant population
- Submitting queries and statements of opinion to the appropriate offices of the city administration
- Advising and informing municipal committees
- Collaboration on decisions of the municipal government as far as that is legally permissible

## Public Relations

- Reduction of barriers, intensification of the dialog between different groups within the population
- Informing the people of Linz with immigrant backgrounds as well as their associations about matters of importance as well as about the activities of the Advisory Board
- Informing the local population about the situation of immigrants in Linz and explaining how the Board functions



# Principles

## The Migration Advisory Board regards

- Integration as an enduring process. It is not merely a method to achieve an one-sided conformity of the immigrants. Instead, it employs targeted measures to attain equal opportunities for everybody who lives in Linz.
- Integration as an obligation of local politics in the areas of school/education, accommodations, employment, health, youth, culture etc. These involve matters that urban development and planning have to deal with.
- Cultural diversity as a challenge which, however, gives rise to opportunities that can lead to a better future for the City of Linz.

Further information can be found at:

[www.linz.at/integration/mib.php](http://www.linz.at/integration/mib.php)



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# Migrant Associations

## Associations represented in the Linz Migration Advisory Board (2020 - 2026)

- ADA – Alternative Solidarity Center for Education, Sport and Culture in Upper Austria
- Commission of Alevi Scholars in Linz
- ALIF - Austria Linz Islamic Federation
- ATIB Linz
- Bashkimi – Albanian Islamic Sport- and Cultural Association
- Black Community of Upper Austria
- JAAPO – for the Participation of Women of Color
- Croatian Center of Linz
- Cultural Association New Hope
- Austrian Chinese Cultural Exchange Linz
- Romanian Cultural Association Carpatia
- Serbian Cultural Association Nikola Tesla
- Serbian Association Vidovdan
- Slovakian Association for Encounters in Upper Austria
- Hungarian Media Association Hungaromedia
- Association of Bosnians NUR in Linz
- Association of Citizens of Bosnia and Herzegovina BiH
- Association of Poles in Upper Austria
- Association for the Promotion of Russian Culture and Language DRUZHBA
- Center for Contemporary Initiatives - ZZI

### Intercultural Initiatives and Associations:

There are several other migrant associations in Linz. Interested persons can submit individual queries free of charge to the Central Registry of Associations at: [zvr.bmi.gv.at](https://zvr.bmi.gv.at)

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