



**INBAZE
BERKAT**

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Community Centre for migrants and Czech public

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InBáze Berkat civic association

The InBáze's mission is to assist migrants who face a hard situation in life and to create an open and safe place where people coming from different cultures can meet and learn to know each other.

- **Community centre for families in Groznyj**
 - Friend-to-friend help
 - Practical family institute

The Czech Republic (since 2006)

- Community centre InBaze (in the centre of Prague)
 - Community activities (multicultural groups, activities for children)
 - Consultancy service
 - Education programmes
 - Social enterprise Ethnocatering
 - Volunteers
- Community centre Rakovice (in the South Bohemian region)
- Multiculture festival RefuFest

Community activities I.

- Regular meetings of people coming from different countries (children, adults and families)

Multiculture groups 'Kruhy' (Circles)

- For migrants, as well as for the Czech public
- Possibility to learn about each other and to share problems and joys
 - **Women groups** (2x a week)
 - **Group for mothers with children** (1x a week)
 - **Club 'Indian Summer'** – for elderly people (2x a month)



Community activities II.

InBaze for children

- For children with migrant background (aged 6 – 18 years) and their Czech friends
- Regular free-time activities in Prague (2x to 4x a month)
- Weekend stays in Rakovice (the South Bohemian region)
- Education support and interest activities (e.g. individual teaching with volunteers, out-of-school interest activities)
- Summer camp in community centre Rakovice
 - **Activities for small children** (aged 6 – 12 years)
 - **ClubIn** (aged 13 – 18 years) – interactive workshops on movies, dance, architecture etc., help with high school application ...



Counselling services

- **Professional social consultancy** in the areas of residency statuses, social benefits, education, housing and other issues and problems related with the life of foreigners in the Czech society
 - **Social counselling** – including social counselling for individual families
 - **Labour counselling** – search of employment, further education etc.
 - **Legal counselling** – resident permit, labour-law relations, family relations etc.
 - **Psychotherapeutic counselling** – in case of complicated personal situations related to the life in a new environment, family problems etc.
 - **Cultural mediation** – cultural mediators for migrants with Vietnamese, Arabic, Russian and Mongolian background working before all in the Ministry of Interior, Department of Foreigners Residency



Education

- **Language courses** – Czech and English language
- **Extra tuition for children**
- **Series of lectures on the life in the Czech Republic** – issues concerning the life in the Czech Republic (e.g. history, culture, education, system of social security, tax system)



Volunteers

- Very important for our work
- Active in programmes for children, extra tuition for children, community activities, English courses, community centre Rakovice etc.

Social enterprise

- **Goal:**
 - To create new jobs for migrants
 - To earn our own funds for integration activities

Ethnocatering

- Employment for 5 women migrants
- Catering delivering delicacies of traditional cuisines, for instance Georgian, Armenian, Afghan

Lease of Rakovice

- Lease of fully equipped community centre Rakovice for purposes of various organisations as well as individuals



Community centre Rakovice

- Farm in the South Bohemian region
- Leased from Mr. Karel Schwarzenberg (minister of foreign affairs of the Czech Republic)
- Community centre for migrants as well as the Czech society (since 2008)
 - **Children's weekend programmes** (1x a month) – activities in rural environment
 - **Summer children's camp** – organized by volunteers
 - **Summer stay of 'Kruhy' (Circles)** – relaxation and trips in the Czech countryside
 - **Celebration of holidays** – mutual celebration of important religious holidays of various religions (e.g. Easter, end of Ramadán, Advent)
 - **RefuFest on the farm** – one-day multicultural festival
 - **Lease of the premises** – social enterprise





RefuFest

multicultural festival in Prague

- Multicultural festival in the centre of Prague
- Migrants present their culture
- Wide offer of traditional delicacies from the whole world
- World music, dance and theatre
- Exhibition stands providing information on 'third' countries'
- Programmes for children and workshops



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