

Outcome goals

- Access to education
- Access to information
- Job creation

Members and structure of membership

1st of August the Kattunfabrik had 145 members.

over 100 trainees (refugee textile workers seeking for a place in one of the tutorials (without membership fee)

6 Tutors

Due to the German Fashion Association 25% of all refugees have worked in the textile industry, therefore scaling and training up to a level where they are able to get jobs is a big challenge.

Implementation

Key team and resources

Jimmy F. Nagy (founder and workshop/garage leader; tutor)

Edith Payer (tailor, know-how transfer (technical and practical)

Jasmin Bauer (press)

Ivan Majic (founder, tutor, designer and quality-management)

Hannelore Mikes (taking care of housing)

Morteza Jaqubi (tailor and speaker of trainees)

Eva Westhauser (pro bono)

Georg Schönberger (pro bono)

Claudia Diesenberger (tailor, tutor)

Frances Stusche (graphics)

Office: Ulrichgasse 1, 1020 Vienna

Garage/Workshops: Mariannengasse 5, 1090 Vienna

7 machines so far installed (Overlocks, zick-zack sewer....)

Still missing: Coverlock and digital cutting tools (Laser cutter...)

Main focus

Training/educational workshops on clothes production incl. job applications with focus on fair and sustainable handmade clothes to go

Workshops & events to focus on sustainability and re-location

Kompetence-checks (ABZ/AMS)

Contents of training workshops:

Theory and practical experience of tailormade production

Improve knowledge on industrial law and textile market with trainees

Improve jobmarket entry chances

Self-confidence of trainees gets better

Sustainable and local textile production knowledge gets implemented

Waste reduction due to taking care of resources within the production process (re-use textiles...)

Costs at the beginning

Kattunfabrik has started 3 years ago; since that it was able to grow and the basic financial situation is more or less stable on a low level. A lot of experience on how to survive has been achieved with different projects, models and cooperations during

this 3 years – the Kattunfabrik has grown up from an idea to a model on a small scale with potential to get larger

Running costs

Rent: 200 personal costs: 1700 for travel costs for trainees coming to Vienna or within town; costs for materials: 1100

Furthermore depending on the project are costs for specific qualified persons (depending on the structure which is often changing) as well as special material (for projects and cooperations)

Technology is a very important factor in our future work, as it has to be implemented in our daily work, which means that computers incl. software tools have to be financed which so far was not possible. Furthermore we want to get knowledge on robotics as well as sectional drawing which can be achieved by either visits to producers or invitations of trainers/experienced tailors to our workshops.

On top we have individualized costs which are due to specific projects and requirements (including requirements for places to train) which are not predictable.

Sources of income

Membership fees/Voluntary donations/prizes(awards)

Cooperations & Partners: Donauquartier / Spendition / AMS (Employment market service) ABZ (non-profit women's organisation; equality of men and women on the Austrian labour market) / WKÖ / ÖIF / JUMP Umweltplattform / Habibi & Hawara (restaurant) see: <http://kattunfabrik.org/>

Kattunfabrik doesn't receive any continuous promotion (public or private), monetary income is achieved on a project basis f.e. rain coats made out of tents getting used during a music festival (with cooperation partner JUMP) or via grants or for different contract works..

Prizes/Awards: 2016 „Ideegration“ Winner , „Löwenherz der SPÖ Niederösterreich“ and was announced as „Ort des Respekts“ by Respekt.net.

Kompetence-check for the ABZ: Kattunfabrik is doing the competence check for ABZ with the AMS. Basic knowledge in theory and practical experience on textile working are getting checked (theory: Questionnaire, practical test with a textile work (shirt) and paid.

Priorities

Establish more conferences and workshops to increase awareness with public/Consumers on textile production and how to support local producers

Implement tutorials (Training-measures) and open up regional facilities (Situation of possible trainees has to be cross-checked even more careful, therefore different training programmes are getting offered depending on knowledge and experience), see attached Angebote

Get more Cooperations and partners/partnerships

Submissions to get necessary investment in technical equipment and sewing machines