## EDUCATION HUBS FOR UKRAINIAN REFUGEE YOUTH

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Cracow's academic community representatives partnered with the large multinational companies including Aon, Lufthansa, AMS, ABB and others to jointly provide summer school for refugee teens from Ukraine aged 13-18th and provide assistance to increase their overall well-being and innovation potential.



We are helping restore hope and trust in the future for the young people from the wartorn country.

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Partnership with the business association Aspire which groups together majority of the large companies in Cracow resulted in the creation of five Education Hubs serving more than 100 refugee kids daily, providing them with snacks, lunch and – most importantly - relevant training.

This education and innovation program focuses on the building children's creative potential and interest in learning Polish and English, as well as helps them develop in several personal domains.

The programme combines financial donations, engagement of volunteers representing academia and corporate world, and active participation of youth themselves.

Input and inspiration from the Cracow academic community were important in creating and scaling up the initiative of Education Hubs. Key roles of the academic community include programme management and providing impact evidence for the decision makers. The business community gains from improved employee engagement and sense of fulfilment, as well reputational gains. In that way this impromptu academicbusiness partnership has resulted in real social and education benefits for all involved stakeholders.



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