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### Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH

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on behalf of the **Federal Ministry for Economic  
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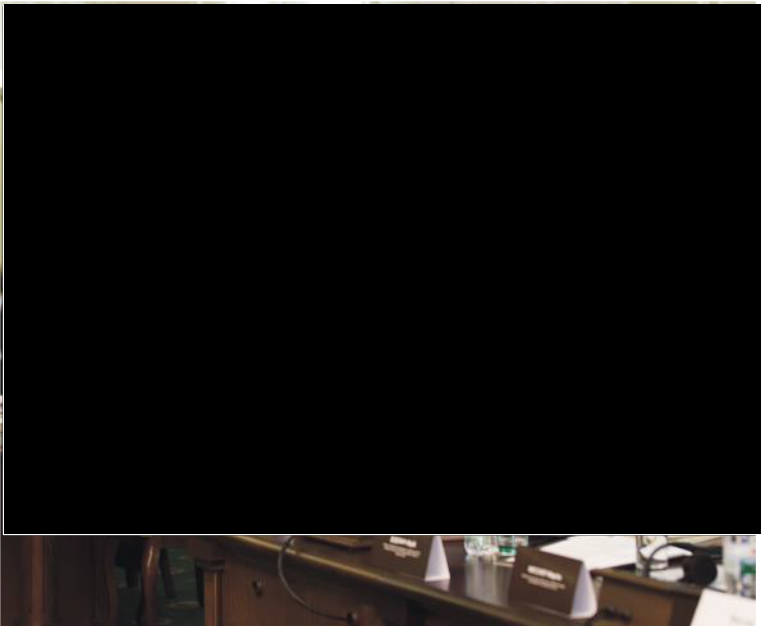
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### FKPW in one sentence:

The programme FKPW promotes active **partnerships** between municipalities in Germany and the Global South by placing **municipal experts** to work within a municipality or a municipal association locally in the global South **for 2 to 3 years**.

## Deployment possibilities



### For an expert assignment it is important that:

- the municipal partnership is active,
- the expert strengthens the capacities of the municipality in the Global South,
- the expert complements the technical commitment of the two municipalities,
- the sustainability is guaranteed beyond the assignment,
- both municipalities have the same role clarification for the expert in advance: He/she advises and supports the formation of sustainable cooperation structures, but does not coordinate the partnership
- The expert assignment is in line with the Sustainable Development Goals of Agenda 2030 and its main beneficiaries are the local residents of the respective partner municipality

## Objectives and tasks of the experts

Strengthening the partner municipality

Strengthening the partnership

improve municipal services and local self-governance

develop concrete solutions to current issues

advise on funding opportunities

Implement joint partnership initiatives

Advise on project management and implementation

Expand cooperation and stakeholder networks

Build bridges

Create a sustainable basis and (communication) structures

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## Deployment possibilities



### The FKPW-program addresses:

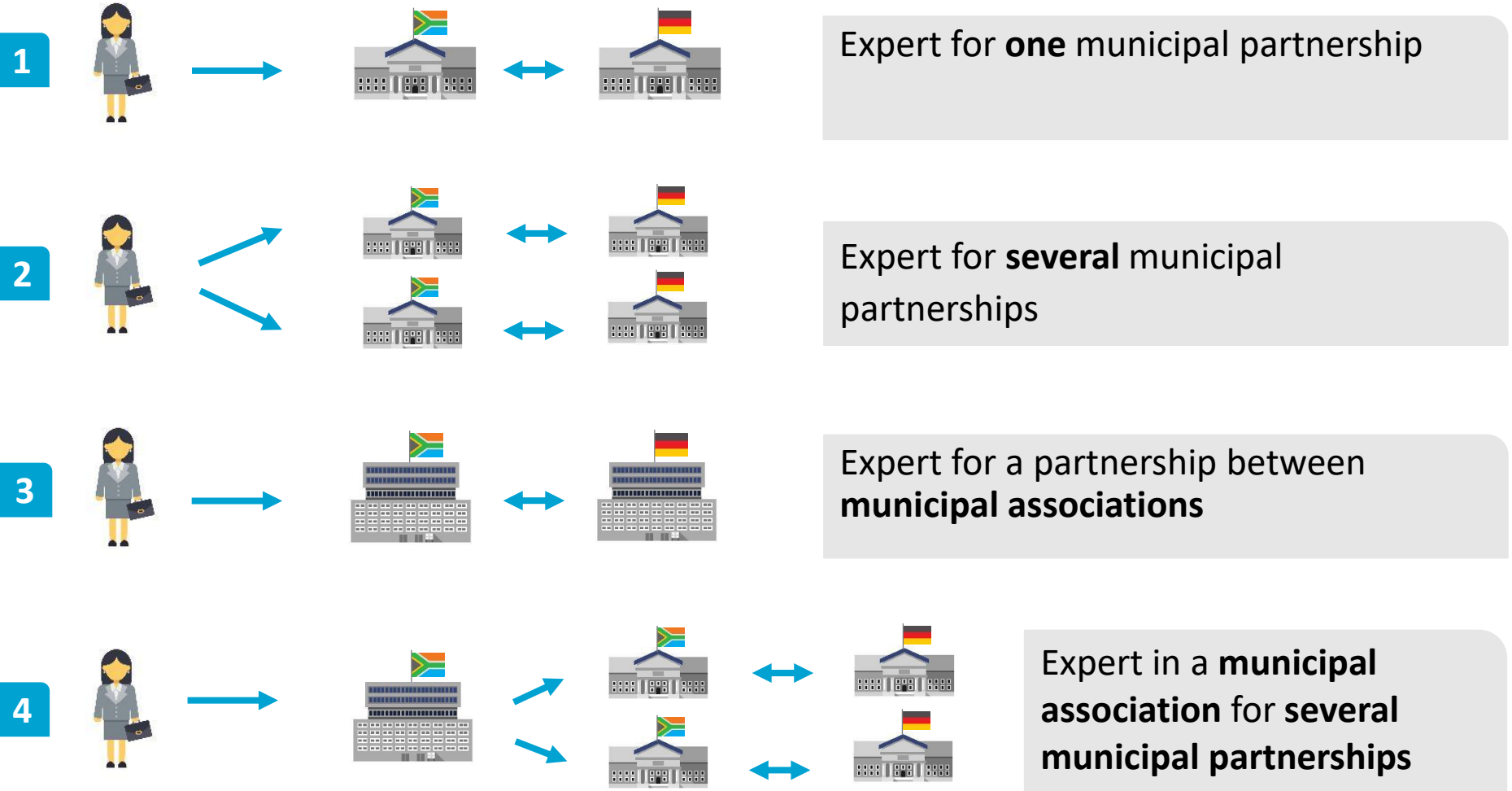
- established municipal partnerships that have already gained joint experience over several years
- municipal partnerships that are still in their early stages of joint cooperation

### Partners can be:

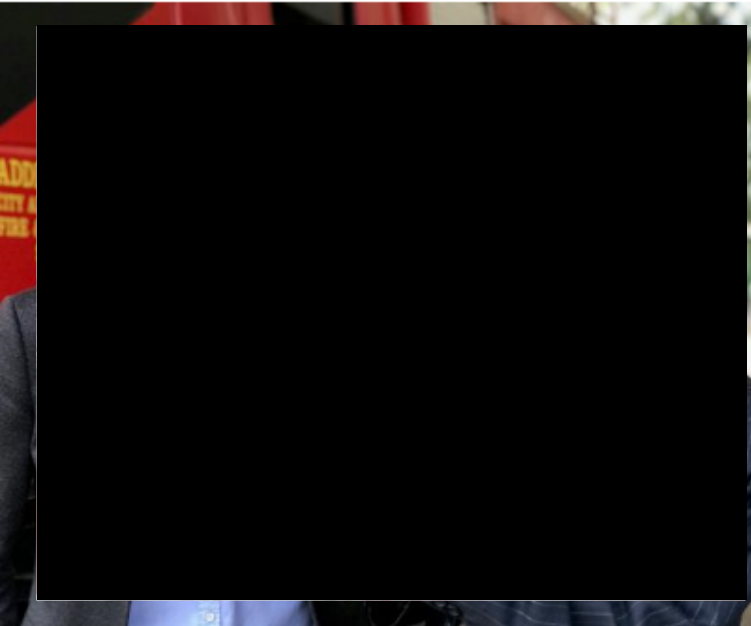
- Municipalities
- Municipal associations
- Districts (in the case of Berlin and Hamburg)

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# Deployment possibilities



## Types of experts



### Integrated experts

#### Task:

- work in key positions in the partner municipality on thematic and strategic issues

#### Contract and salary

- receive from the partner organisation a local employment contract with a local salary, which FKPW raises to a European level.
- Placed through the Centre for International Migration and Development (CIM), a working group of GIZ and the Federal Employment Agency.



## Types of experts

### Local experts

#### Tasks

- work in the partner municipality on **technical and strategic** issues
- Develop the national **stakeholder networks**

#### Contract and salary

- receive a local employment contract with a local salary from the municipality, the financing of which is 100% supported by FKPW.

## Types of experts

### Local experts are particularly suitable if:

- the **profile** sought is **available** on the local labour market
- specific **local knowledge** and experience is needed
- the partner municipality does not yet have sufficient financial resources to hire an Integrated Expert, but the creation of **sustainable structures** is a clear objective of the assignment

## How to get a local expert (1/2)

1. Submission of a [Declaration of Interest](#)
2. Appraisal mission in the partner country: the delegation members and receiving municipality decide on the objective, tasks, profile and type of expert
3. Seeking accordance of SKEW and approval by German ministry BMZ. Seeking approval of local Ministry if necessary
4. The receiving municipality submits
  - a project proposal,
  - a budget proposal,
  - an organigramme of the Municipality,
  - an official request for the (co-)financing of a local expert through GIZ



## How to get a local expert (2/2)

4. Conduction of a legal and commercial eligibility check through a local consultant
5. Check of the relevant documents through GIZ
6. Signing of the local subsidy or grant agreement
7. Signing of the Agreements on Results
8. Recruiting process
9. Onboarding of the expert in Germany (at GIZ, SKEW and german partner municipality)
10. Start of the working contract in the partner municipality, support of the expert placement via networking activity events



## Good to know

- No matter which expert model will be chosen, the German municipality does NOT have any additional costs
- We accept applications on a rolling basis, so there is no deadline, you can hand in your documents any time.
- When handing in the declaration of interest, you don't need to decide about the expert model. That will be discussed during the appraisal mission.
- The 2 year expert assignment will start when the expert starts to work, the application and recruitment process will not be as part of the assignment
- In January 2022, FKPW will start a follow-up phase which will change the program into a fund. This will bring no major changes in the procedure for you.

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