



MEET THE AMBASSADORS

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My name is Alaa Aldeen. I am 44 years old. I am a civil engineer and I am Syrian. My wife, kids and I have been in Denmark since July 2014. My wife and I are working permanent jobs; she is working at Novo Nordisk as a clinical trial administrator. I am working at COWI as a consultant engineer in construction and planning management. I work on projects like “Metro, cityringen” and development of CPH Airport. Our kids are completely integrated in the Danish society. They speak the language fluently as well as English and Arabic.

The Syrian crisis has never destroyed our will to continue our lives. My family and I lost a lot of things. But in fact, they are all replaceable – human lives are not. So we decided to find a country that respects us and our human rights. As humans. From the first second we reached Denmark, we have worked hard to chase our dreams. To make use of our qualifications and become economically independent. We spent only a very short time on social benefits before we got our permanent jobs.

My first message to other refugees is that you have to focus on being very active in your new society. My wife and I have a lot of Danish friends who helped us to start up in Denmark. So the second message is that network is very important for any refugee to find his or her way in Denmark.

I am a very open minded person. I respect everyone and I expect to be respected