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Women and Entrepreneurship

In Germany, in almost all large cities exist information centres for start-ups. The administration of Bonn for example offer courses, edit information sheet etc. for men and women. Some years ago the interesting people were above all men, but in the meantime there are an increasing number of women who want to start a small enterprise.

There exist also networks especially for women. For Example the “Network of consultants for Woman” in the district Rhein-Sieg and an international network: “Mompreneur” which has branches all over the world. Target group of Mompreneur are women with children who want to work.

The experience shows that women have other problems when they want to start up with an enterprise. The main problem is to arrange family (children) and job. All interviews with women (Website of Mompreneur) show that without a network of people who help with the childcare it is not possible to work successfully. The interviewed entrepreneur women by the networks underline that one of the advantages is that they can work from their home and that they have a free time management.

Furthermore a good commercial knowledge is absolutely necessary. The networks and service centres offer specific courses.