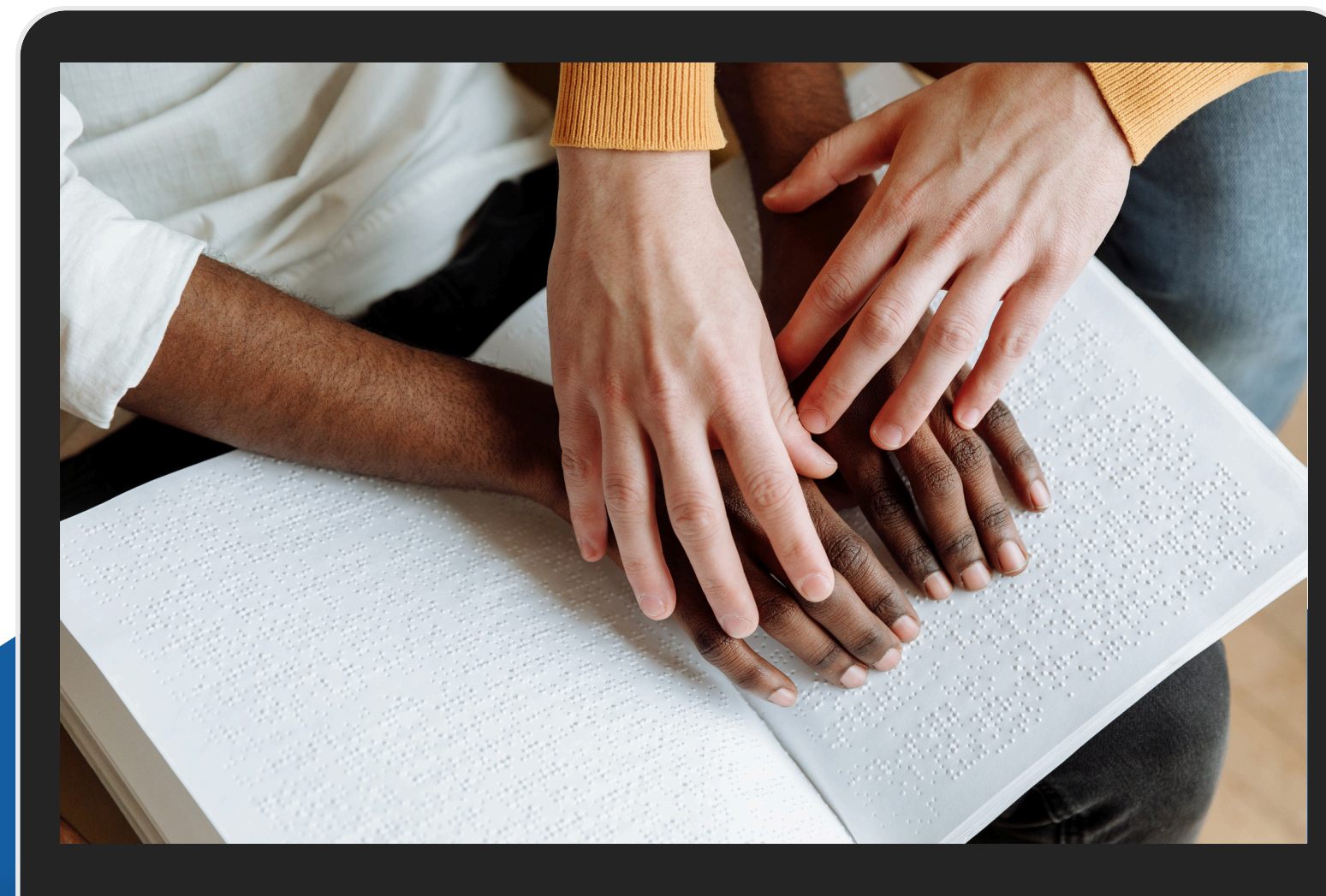




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Braille representation of the word LANGUIDE.



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STATISTICS

Due to the Russian military aggression towards Ukraine, over 1.5 million refugees have sought permanent settlement in Poland. To integrate successfully into their new environment, these individuals must familiarize themselves with the language, culture, and social dynamics of their new home.

Additionally, Poland is home to approximately 1.8 million blind or visually impaired people, who face limited prospects for employment and professional engagement.

Our project offers an innovative solution to address the needs of migrants and visually impaired people.

Under our social innovation, we aim to enhance language teaching for immigrants by involving blind and visually impaired individuals.

By leveraging their acute phonetic hearing and expertise in audio lingual tools, visually impaired individuals help refugees with language, culture and social integration.

In return, refugees inspire blind individuals to embark on a new career path and engage more with society.

Both groups develop empathy, adaptability, and the ability to thrive in diverse environments, enriching their skills and social inclusion.

Mission & Vision

We envision a new profession for blind and visually impaired individuals being recognized on the European job market in the future.

Overview

Innovation holds the key to addressing the following challenges:

- Boosting the self-esteem of blind and visually impaired individuals, enhancing their employment opportunities, and increasing their social engagement.
- Improving the proficiency of refugees from Ukraine in the Polish language.



Our LanGuide Team



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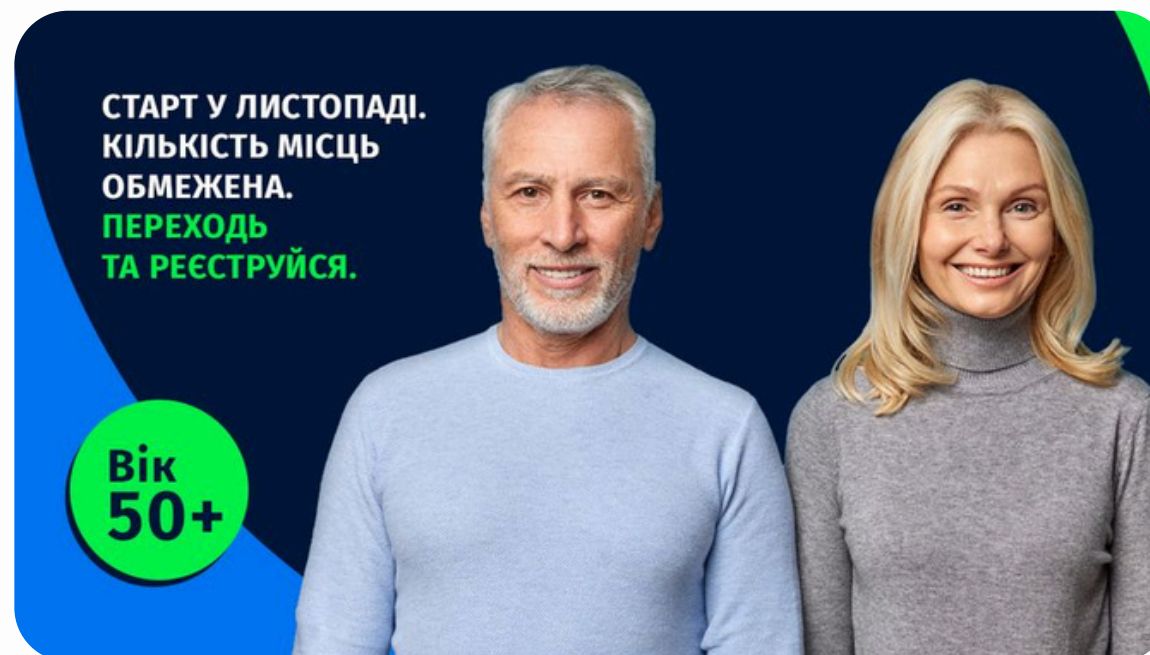
Jakub Stefańczyk
Trainer of language guides

Our journey



Creating materials

We have created 12 scripts and additional educational resources for visually impaired language guides



Digital and language support

We arrange online courses for Ukrainian refugees to assist them in learning a new language and integrating into the culture.



International cooperation

We have initiated international collaboration to advocate for a mutual support model benefiting two groups of individuals at risk of social exclusion.

2022

SOCIAL INNOVATION: "BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED PEOPLE AS POLISH LANGUAGE TEACHERS"

Implemented as part of the Social Inclusion Incubator project, co-financed by the European Social Fund under the Operational Program Knowledge Education Development 2014-2020

Amount of funding: 43 320 PLN

Result 1

Preparation of a language course for refugees from Ukraine

Result 2

Preparation of digital materials and their adaptation to various degrees of disability for blind and visually impaired Polish language teachers

Result 3

Training of 3 language -social guides and over 20 refugees from Ukraine



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2023

COMMON PATH - YOUNG BLIND LANGUAGE GUIDES FOR ELDERLY REFUGEES FROM UKRAINE

The project received financial support from the Ministry of Education and Science of Poland

Amount of funding: 60 000 PLN

commonpath.pl

Result 1

Tailoring learning materials to suit individuals aged 50 and above

Result 2

Incorporating cultural, psychological, and digital elements into the course

Result 3

Training 5 Language Guides and over 30 Ukrainian refugees online



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2024



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LANGUAGE GUIDES FOR A GOOD START

Poland-Norwegian partnership project for blind and visually impaired individuals and refugees from Ukraine under the Erasmus+ program

Amount of funding: 60 000 Euro

language.org

Result 1

Preparing Language Lens
– Design Thinking Tools
for Visually Impaired
Language Guides

Result 2

Preparation of a model
for the training of new
Language Guides by
experienced Visually
Impaired Language
Guides

Result 3

Support for 8 new visually
impaired individuals and
over 50 refugees from
Ukraine



03

educational
to diverse needs
ilities



support model for two marginalized groups



Creating an ecosystem for employment of people with disabilities based on the recruitment portal [jobian.com](#)



Creating digital educational
courses tailored to diverse needs
and abilities

Global promotion of mutual support model for two marginalized groups

Overview

Global promotion involves strategies and activities aimed at marketing a inclusiveness and internationality to an international audience.

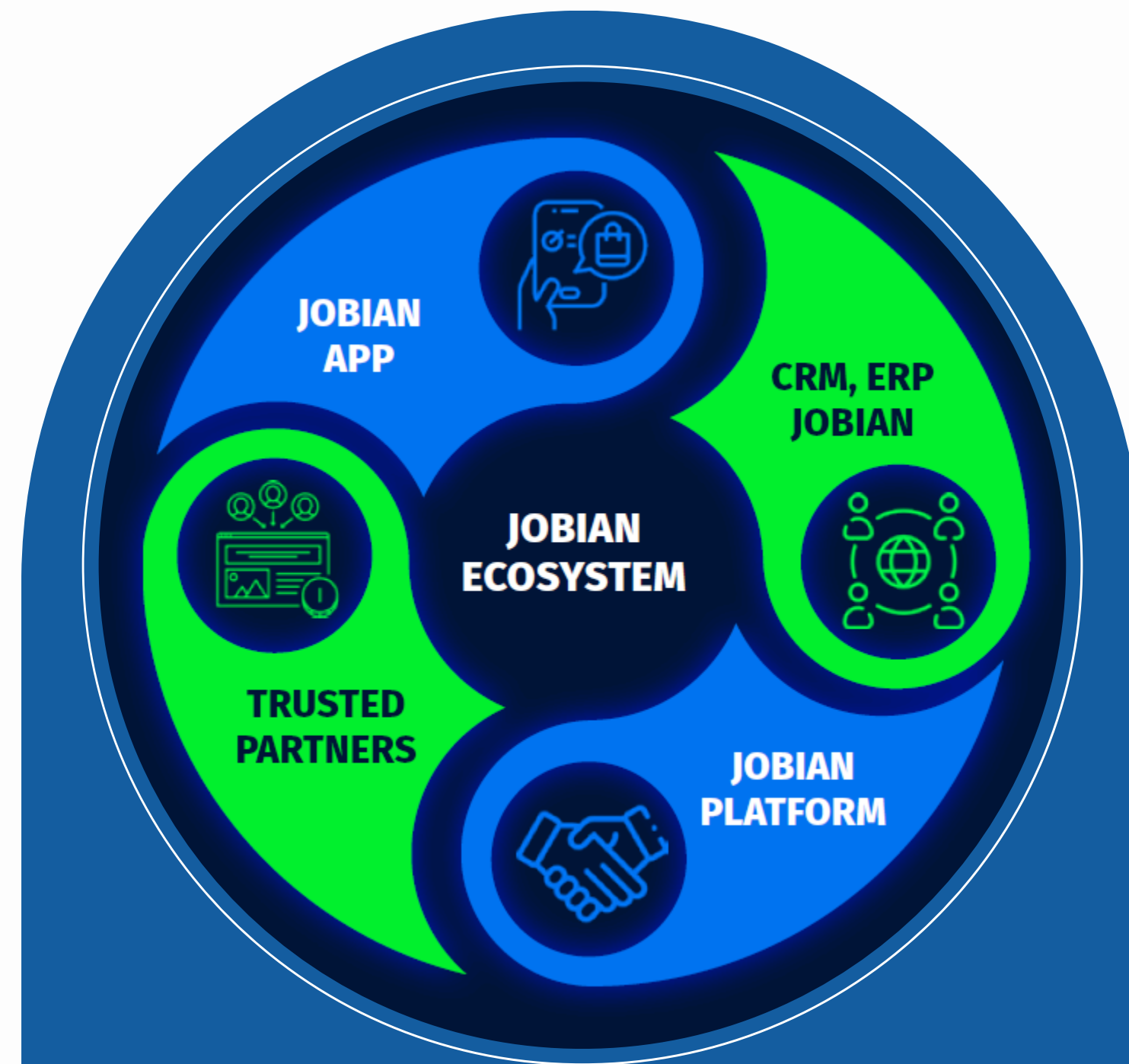
Promoting globally ecosystem and model involves leveraging a range of Google services and tools to increase our online visibility, reach international audiences, and drive growth of awareness.



Creating an ecosystem for employment of people with disabilities

Overview

Creating an ecosystem for the employment of people with disabilities involves developing a supportive and inclusive environment that addresses the unique needs and challenges faced by disabled individuals. This comprehensive approach includes policy development, organizational change, technology integration, and community involvement based on the recruitment portal jobian.com



Training programs developed by individuals with disabilities in collaboration with refugees - LanGuides 2.0

Overview

Creating distinctive digital courses focused on teaching the Polish language, cultural and psychological preparedness, guided by trained individuals who have disabilities and refugees. These customized training programs will meet the needs of participants from Ukraine, integrating AI and ICT tools to create interactive lessons, podcasts, and engaging activities tailored to various skill levels.





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