Who are you?

My Name is Abid Ali and I am from India. I am studying the Information Management and Information Technology (IMIT) master's degree at the University of Hildesheim and I work as an SAP work student in a German company.

Why do you live in Germany?

I live in Germany because I like the German system very much and it offers many advantages that I would like to tell you about.

The German healthcare system is very reliable, you can go to the doctor without fear of high bills because you already have health insurance that covers all the bills.

There is no conflict between the political parties over climate change and global warming, as everyone already knows. Almost 30% of all energy in Germany comes from renewable sources such as wind and sun, and the trend is rising. On my journey from Hildesheim to Hanover, Hamburg, Berlin and so on, I saw a lot of huge wind turbines. In addition, the deposit system is an excellent initiative from Germany. In Germany they don't say "That's rubbish", but rather " Das ist Restmüll, Biomüll, Sperrmüll, Altglas, Altpapier oder das kommt in den Gelben Sack".

Why did you choose Hildesheim?

The IMIT master's program is very unique that it offers the flexibility to study management and computer science subjects and I prefer to live in smaller towns where student rents are cheaper and the city of Hildesheim has a beautiful landscape and the university has very good ratings.

What are you interested in and what hobbies do you have?

I am interested in making new contacts, helping seniors and children, reading about new traditions and cultures because that makes me feel good.

When it comes to hobbies, I have a plethora of hobbies. I play musical instruments like ukulele, kalimba and tabla in my free time. I sang at school and still practice and sang "Perfect song by Ed Sheeran" in an Irish club in Hildesheim. Sometimes I write sayings and poems and stick them on the wall in my room, which gives me motivation. And last but not least, I just love to cook and eat. My doors are always open to guests. In India we have a tradition of preparing food and sharing it with friends and neighbors, just like I do in Germany.

Have you ever volunteered or taken part in a project?

Participate in the after-school volunteer activities organized by the 'Haryana State Red Cross' such as blood donation and sanitation camps.