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Our Vision

- A society where every family belongs and every child has the opportunity to thrive.
- A diverse and inclusive Germany where educational opportunities are not determined by:
  - social background
  - migration history
  - discrimination
- And where families are:
  - recognized
  - heard
  - able to participate





Our Mission

We connect and empower migrant parent organizations across Germany.

- Bring lived experience and knowledge into policy and public debate
- Advocate for structural change in education and family policy.
- Develop projects, training and resources
- Facilitate exchange and networking
- Connect members with policymakers, researchers, and civil society.

FROM MANY VOICES TO ONE STRONG NETWORK.



2017: Migrant parent organizations from across Germany join forces to strengthen their voice in education and participation.

bbt develops into a nationwide umbrella organization connecting migrant and parent organizations across communities and regions.

2025: Expanding our focus: From education and parent participation, bbt broadens its work to include family policy and the realities of migrant families.

Today: A national voice bbt represents 17 member organizations and brings their perspectives into national policy, civil society, research and public debate.











17 ORGANIZATIONS

DIFFERENT COMMUNITIES

SHARED GOALS

ONE NATIONAL VOICE





EDUCATION
Equal opportunities. Participation. Empowerment

- Equal opportunities – equal access to quality education, strong anti-discrimination structures, diversity-aware institutions
- Empowering parents as key partners throughout their children's educational pathways.
- Recognizing multilingualism as a resource and removing language barriers impeding parent participation in education.
- Diverse and well-supported education professionals

FAMILY
Recognition. Support. Protection.

- Recognition of diverse family realities
- Accessible, diversity-sensitive family support
- Strong children’s rights and opportunities for participation
- Protection from violence and discrimination
- Social security, health, and adequate housing
- Strong migrant organizations as trusted community actors

INTERSECTIONS
Education. Family. Participation.

Where our work comes together

- Structural Barriers
  - Education, poverty, discrimination, access to services
- Family Well-Being
  - Material conditions shape participation and educational opportunities
- Participation
  - Families and migrant organisations as partners in decision-making

MELA - Multilingual Parent Guides Academy

- Multilingualism as a resource for education & participaton
  - Qualifying multilingual parent guides
  - Strengthening parent-school collaboration
  - Developing transferable curricula & quality standards
  - Embedding multilingualism sustainably in education

PartEl (Plus)

- Strengthening migrant parents` participation in school decision-making
- Training and empowering parent multipliers
- Training parent committees
- Strengthening participation in school parent committees
- Developing transferable approaches for parent participation

E-DIT Plus - Parent Conferences for Democratic Participation

Parents as experts of their own lives

- Peer to peer learning and empowerment
- Parents connect with civil society and local institutions
- Parent led conferences around families` needs
- Ideas become local initiatives and action

Parents become co-creators of democratic participation.

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E-DIT+



PARTNER WITH US.

LEARN WITH US.

BUILD CHANGE WITH US.

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