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To,
The Visa Officer,
The Consulate General of the Federal Republic of Germany,
Bangalore, India

Respected Officer,

Subject: Motivational letter for German skilled Job Seeker Visa

I am Shwetha Manjunatha, an experienced Software Automation Test Engineer with over 7 years of experience in the IT industry. Currently, I hold the position of Consultant (Senior Automation Test Engineer) at Capgemini Technology Services, a prestigious company located in Bangalore. I bring a wealth of expertise in testing web applications, utilizing automation tools like Selenium Webdriver and mobile apps testing along with API testing of Microservices, and databases like MS SQL, MySQL. I am keen to collaborate with professionals from diverse backgrounds, contribute my skills and expertise, and continue my journey of learning and development in Germany. The idea of contributing my skills to Germany's vibrant economy while growing both personally and professionally is a dream I am eager to turn into reality. I have enclosed my detailed resume for your perusal, which provides a comprehensive overview of my qualifications and professional journey.

Motivation for relocating to Germany:

I am seeking global opportunities to broaden my horizons, gain international experience, and embrace diverse perspectives that will enrich my career and personal growth. It's an opportunity to engage with different mindsets, gain a deeper understanding of global markets, and contribute my skills on a broader scale in a dynamic international environment. The first country that captivates me in the international environment is Germany, not just for its thriving economy but for its commitment to education and technology. More than just a career move, Germany represents a culture that values innovation, diversity, and a healthy work-life balance. Fortunately, Software QA Automation in Germany is thriving and has multiple job opportunities across various industries.

Over the past few months, I've delved into opportunities within my profession in Germany, regularly discovering new openings on platforms like LinkedIn, Stepstone, Indeed, and Xing. This has sparked my enthusiasm for immersing myself in German language, culture, and community, extending beyond mere professional engagement. Trusted acquaintances residing in Germany have assured me of its welcoming environment for expats and the equitable opportunities within its diverse workforce. The most important factor to be considered for any expat is the country's immigration and labour laws.

The recent amendments to Germany's Skilled Immigration Act make it more attractive for international talent to work and live in Germany. These changes include:

- Lower salary thresholds for the EU Blue card
- Faster timelines for receiving settlement permit and citizenship
- Relaxed rules for family reunification
- The government initiative "Make it in Germany" provides extensive information about the country, culture, and job market, as well as offers personalized assistance to foreign nationals.

These are the few factors that have solidified my belief in Germany as an optimal relocation choice, offering abundant personal and professional opportunities.

Strategy for Job hunting and integrating into German culture:

As previously mentioned, I have spent few months researching and applying for jobs. I can see there is a high demand for my profile and experience in Germany. I have noticed a significant number of job postings on platforms like **LinkedIn, Stepstone, XING, Indeed** and **Monster**.

In addition, I have explored various websites for job hunting in Germany, which include:

- <http://www.make-it-in-germany.com/en/making-it/job-listings/>,
- <http://www.arbeitsagentur.de/>
- <http://jobboerse.arbeitsagentur.de/>,
- <http://www.bluecard-eu.de/blaue-karte-eu-deutschland/jobs.html/>,
- <https://jobmesse-stuttgart.de>

During my stay in Germany, I plan to:

- Continue networking and apply for a minimum of 5 jobs daily on aforementioned job sites.
- Participate in job fairs listed on various websites like Karrieretag, and Life in Germany including Jobmesse Radar and other Tech job fairs,
- I would also intend to work federal employment agencies such as Bundesagentur für Arbeit, Absolventa GmbH, Alpha Future, and JobTV24
- Register with recruitment partners like Career Bee and attend career events.
- Explore job opportunities in local newspapers and on major company websites.
- Stay connected with my career coach, who is based in Germany, to help me approach the German job market more efficiently.
- Progress in learning German, aiming to achieve proficiency levels.

Intended Date of Travel: July 25, 2024

Educational Qualifications:

I have a Bachelor of Engineering degree in Electronics and Communication Engineering from VTU. For your reference, I have attached my resume, a copy of Sr.QA Automation Engineer certificate, copies of my degree certificate and Anabin equivalence for my degree and university.

Professional Journey:

<u>Date of Employment</u>	<u>Role</u>	<u>Company</u>	<u>Location</u>
Sep 2022 – till date	Consultant (Sr. Automation engineer)	Capgemini Technology Services India Ltd	Bangalore, India
Apr 2021 – Sep 2022	Software Testing - QA	JoulesToWatts Business solutions Pvt Ltd	Bangalore, India
Feb 2017 – Feb 2021	Member Technical, QA	Broadridge Financial Solutions Pvt Ltd	Bangalore, India

My qualifications have equipped me with a solid foundation, and my experiences have honed my skills in Quality Assurance. I am confident that my background, skills, and determination will enable me to find the right opportunity and make meaningful contributions to the German workforce.

Proof of funds:

As I have been planning my German job search for the last few months, I transferred all my savings to Axis bank's Fixed Deposit account (Account No: XXX) amounting to Rs. XXXX (XXXX thousand rupees) which is set to mature on May 31st before my visa start date and I plan to utilize this amount to meet all my expenses in Germany. Attached are copies of the fixed deposit certificate and Canara Bank's savings account statement (Account No: XXXX) for the last six months, which reflect my fixed deposit transactions and a closing balance of Rs. XXXX (XXXX thousand three hundred and twenty-seven rupees).

Accommodation:

I have booked the below accommodation from 25th June to 25th July with Booking Id: NH73162315912372 and attached booking confirmation voucher for your reference.

- Neohostel Berlin: Grü nauer Strasse 192, Berlin 12557, Germany.

Insurance:

I have insured myself with ICICI Lombard General Insurance (Certificate No: XXXX) from 25th June to 21st Dec 2024 and a copy of the certificate has been attached.

Enclosed are the following documents to support my Job Seeker Visa application.

- Copy of Appointment letter
- Copy of Valid and Original Passport
- Visa Application and Declaration Forms (duly filled and signed)
- 2 passport photos according to biometric specifications
- Photocopy of passport's data pages
- Proof of accommodation
- All Educational certificates (10th to B.E)
- Anabin Proof for academic degree and university
- Current Company Offer letter and Previous Work Experience letters
- Fixed deposit certificate and bank statement
- Resume and duly signed motivational letter
- Acknowledgement of job applications
- Proof of personal status in India (Birth Certificate and Aadhaar Card)
- Health Insurance certificate
- 3 months' payslips

In the unlikely event of not securing a job within the stipulated period, I will return to my home country and join my family. With my qualifications and work experience, I am confident in my ability to secure a job back in my home country.

I have provided all the details to the best of my knowledge and would be glad to furnish any additional information or documentation required to process my visa application. If there are any changes, I will keep the consulate updated accordingly.

Thank you for your attention and consideration. I look forward to the opportunity to contribute to Germany's dynamic workforce and to the enriching experience of living and working there.

Sincerely,
Shwetha M