



OUR PROFESSIONAL COACHES

One of our greatest assets is our highly educated, culturally diverse, multi-lingual team of professional coaches, familiar with local markets and industries, employer networks, professional and community organizations, as well as local social and work cultures. REA's international coaches are former expatriates who have firsthand experience both living and working abroad, so that they can easily empathize and identify with the challenges of global transitions. They are an invaluable resource to relocating families and job seekers in providing networking opportunities in the local marketplace and coaching on how to

assimilate into the new environment. Well-versed in managing change and transition, these coaches provide the personalized emotional support and job-search coaching that is a key factor in our consistently high service satisfaction rating.

COACH QUALIFICATIONS

REA's coaches have extensive education and experience in career consulting, coaching, family counseling, organizational development and human resources; approximately 80% have advanced degrees. All coaches are trained to address the unique family pressures, anxieties and transition issues associated with relocation - like dealing with children's adjustments, managing life changes, adapting to different countries and cultures and coping with parental aging and illness.

Testimonials:

David P. relocated from UK to Hamburg, Germany: *I did feel a great loss with my career identity given my work took up 90% of my life in the UK. Having worked through this with Rolf, my coach, a volunteering opportunity turned into a position which ultimately led to me starting up my own freelancing business as well as launching a website complete with a blog which I hope to turn into a book one day of my experiences here in Germany. These are expectations I never had and Rolf has clearly exceeded my expectations of the service. I am probably just as busy now as I was in the UK – but with a wider variety of projects and interests which is fantastic. I loved working with Rolf and whilst it is obviously positive that the service has finished – meaning that I have transitioned to a new country, I will miss my sessions with Rolf as he has had such a positive effect on me and my life.*

Susan B. relocated from UK to Stockholm, Sweden: *I have thoroughly enjoyed working with Eva as she has made the experience of relocating abroad a lot easier to deal with. She made herself very available and I found her advice to be extremely professional, sensitive and helpful regarding both my career and my private life. I can (and will) recommend the service I have received from REA through Eva to other expats and families.*

Maria R. relocated from Mexico to UK: *Again I am very grateful for the emotional support Jackie gave me throughout these months, I guess my Latin American personality needed more a friendly support who understood all the changes I was going through and the ups and downs (mostly downs at the beginning anyway) of relocation. All the kind words and even sharing some personal experiences made the difference to me, so I appreciate the conversations and the words stayed in my mind and they really helped understand my own culture in order to appreciate my new reality. I am a quite private person. Nonetheless all the advice and suggestions are in my mind and mostly in my heart.*

John B. relocated from Australia to Zug, Switzerland: *I am very happy with the support I get from my coach. My intentions are to integrate into the Swiss society and in order to achieve this I need to be able to communicate in German, understand the way of Swiss life, know about social history of Switzerland and understand the political system and how the different levels of government operate. I do not need resumes and references, as I am not looking for employment in Switzerland. Therefore my focus is not on job search and income, but rather social contacts, places of interest, history of the country and how everything works. Walter has been an excellent facilitator of my needs. He understands what I want and works on providing me with the materials, which allow me to go on and do the research myself. I am interested in joining some sporting clubs and exploring Switzerland. Walter has provided me with comprehensive information on history, political system, business culture, list of sporting clubs and has suggested areas of Switzerland to explore. I intend to process this information and create an action plan, including joining one or two sporting clubs and making trips to Juras and Montreaux. I enjoy interacting with Walter as he is very knowledgeable, resourceful and interested in helping the expat's partner to get most of what Switzerland has to offer. Even after this service ends, I intend to remain friends with Walter and stay in touch with him.*

Laura W. relocated from Michigan, US to Amsterdam, Netherlands: *Note to Coach: "You are very gifted in what you do! You helped me so much, I want everyone else to receive the same support and care that you gave me. I suggested that my friend Sara get in touch with you as well and I think she set up a meeting with you. You have helped me more than you will ever know! I could not have made this move without you. Thank you for everything and please keep in touch."*