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MAINSTREAMING MIGRATION INTO NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIES

FIVE STUDIES PRODUCED IN THE FIELD OF MIGRATION&DEVELOPMENT (M&D)

or future M&D policies in Serbia, under the Project output 2, five studies stand out, which filled the knowledge gaps in different sector policies. Studies are based on relevant recent data and contain findings that demand a state response in different policy areas. Each study provided a detailed list of recommendations on what should be done in the sector policy in terms of labour market, youth mobility or education of minorities to maximise migration potential.

The following studies were produced:

- 1. Study on external and internal migration of Serbia's citizens with particular focus on Youth
- 2. Migration studies in Serbian universities curricula

- 3. Labour Migration and its Effects on the Demography and Labour Market of Serbia
- 4. Impact of education in minority languages on the internal and external migrations of national minorities
- 5. Migration and Development in Serbia





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Serbia is primarily a traditional emigration area, with a long history and broad territorial dispersion of emigration.

(From "Study on external and internal migration of Serbia's citizens with particular focus on Youth") A total of 38 recommendations for public policies in Serbia are presented, divided according to purpose on conceptual and strategic, those that refer to strengthening institutions, improving data and support to research, followed by sets of recommendations on remittances and development, encouraging investment in the country of origin and promoting transnational activities of the diaspora, with further eight recommendations defined with the aim to increase the attractiveness of our 90 universities and finally, recommendations are provided related to preparations for more immigration into Serbia.



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(From Study "Migration and Development in Serbia")

PILOT PROJECT "YOUTH AND DIASPORA" IMPLEMENTED

Three pilot projects were implemented under the Project output 3. The Ministry of Youth and Sports (MYS) implemented the pilot project "Youth and Diaspora". The project has connected youth offices and diaspora associations in order to set up the basis for joint projects which would enhance mobility and result in other potential benefits in the local communities. Youth offices in municipalities of Kladovo, Lapovo, Stara Pazova, Novi Pazar and Leskovac were selected to participate in the project.

Partnership between these youth offices and corresponding diaspora associations was established during a three day youth forum, that took place in May 2016. Over 40 participants from youth offices and diaspora associations from Munich, Vienna, Istanbul, Bratislava and Paris took part in the forum which served to define a future model of cooperation.

Proposals of joint activities were made and then implemented within the exchange programmes - summer schools that gathered representatives of diaspora associations and served as a platform for future cooperation ideas. The summer schools were attended by about 150 participants.



Summer schools as a platform for future cooperation ideas

FIRST MASTER PROGRAMME ON MIGRATION CREATED

The Faculty of Political Science implemented the project *Support to integrating migration in the academic curriculum: curriculum development for Master studies of migration,* which succeeded in creating the first master programme of migration in the Western Balkans.

Taking into account that migration is gaining more importance, the representatives of six faculties – Faculty of Economy, Faculty of Philosophy, Faculty of Political Science, Faculty of Security, Faculty of Law and Geographic Faculty have created multidisciplinary studies on migration. The involvement of the Faculty of Political Science from Zagreb as a seventh partner gave this project a regional dimension. Permanent cooperation was established between faculties and nine consultative meetings and joint workshops were convened to design the structure of the course and modules. The University Council and the University Senate have adopted the curriculum and are now awaiting accreditation from the Commission for Accreditation and Quality Assurance.

CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES Workshops on how to recognize potential victims of trafficking in migrant population held in Vranje and Pirot

Within the framework of the continuation of the pilot project "Improving the role of the social protection system in migration management in Serbia", implemented by the Ministry of Labor, Employment, Veteran and Social Affairs, there were workshops held in Vranje and Pirot for the representatives of various centers for social work during the month of April 2017.

The following topics were discussed: the indicators for identifying child abuse and neglect among refugees/migrants in the reception centers, the phenomenon of human trafficking, the preliminary identification of victims of trafficking within the population of migrants/refugees and the possibilities of support and protection in order to increase responsiveness of workers in the field.

On 10 and 11 April 2017 the workshops were held in Vranje, on 24 and 25 April in Pirot.



The two-day workshop was held in Vranje



Workshop for centers for social work was also held in Pirot

RELEVANT LINKS

https://www.eda.admin.ch/deza/en/home/deza/organisation/bereiche/globale_zusammenarbeit/globalprgramm_migration.html

https://www.eda.admin.ch/content/dam/deza/en/documents/themen/migration/229271-flyer-migration-und-entwicklung EN.pdf

https://www.shareweb.ch/site/Migration/Pages/Home.aspx

http://www.knomad.org/

https://serbia.iom.int/sr/projects/globalni-projekat-uklju%C4%8Divanje-migracija-u-nacionalne-razvojne-strategije-druga-faza

http://www.rs.undp.org/