

The Challenges of Immigration in a Small European State

Name of Country

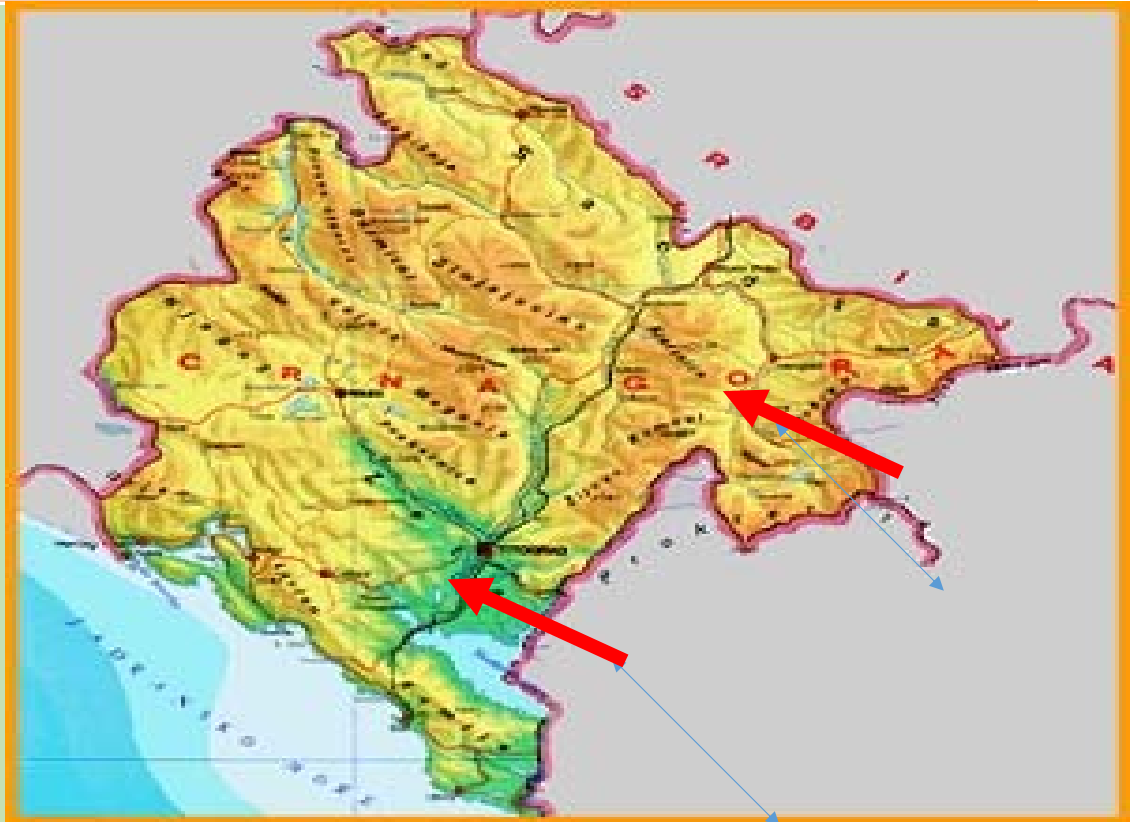
MONTENEGRO

Name of Presenter/s

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Map

- Provide a Map indicating the location of your country and highlighting the main 'approach routes' / transit routes taken by immigrants coming to your country in recent years.
- Neighbours:
Albania, Kosova, Serbia, BiH, Croatia, Italy (across the sea).



Population Trends

- Indicate how the local population has grown/declined in the last 100 years, explaining any trends

Year	Montenegro population
1921.	311.943
1931.	360.044
1941.	422.000
1948.	377.305
1953.	419.950
1971.	471.944
1981.	529.604
1991.	615.035
2003.	620.145
2011.	620.029

Population Dynamics

- How is the Local Population divided?
(Ethnically; Residents, Citizens, Foreign/Guest Workers)
Provide Total Numbers and Percentages (Latest Estimates)

Etnicity	Montene grin	Serbian	Bosnian	Albanian	Muslim	Roma	Croats	Other	Unspecifi ed
%	45%	28.7%,	8.7%	4.9%	3.3%,	1%	1%	2.6%,	4.9%

Residents	Citizens	Emplo.	Unempl.	Foreign/Guest Workers
#	860.430	247.200	40.600	24.598

Types of Immigration

- Explain the type of persons who are immigrating to your country, the reasons for their migration (both PUSH and PULL Factors), and whether they intend to stay or leave.
- Refugees;
- Transit migrants;
- Economical temporary work migrant's (former Yugoslavia region);
- UAMs;
- Asylum seekers – about 3000 in 2018th / 848 asylum seekers in 2017th.
- Difficult proces integratios of migrants. Route to EU.

Challenges to Immigration (1)

- Explain what are the main challenges that emerge as a consequence of migration to your country.
- The process of migrants identification;
- Improving legal capacities;
- The process of appointing of a custodian (UAMs);
- Access to legal assistance;
- Acceptance and accommodation procedures;
- The exercise of legal rights in the area of social and child protection;
- Challenges on the fields of education and health care.

Challenges to Immigration (2)

- How does being a SMALL STATE nuance / exacerbate / influence these main challenges that have emerged as a consequence of migration to your country.
- To provide at the state border treatment that will enable an immediate care to each immigrant.
- Provide adequate accommodation capacities;
- Provide capacities of translate services;
- Provide health and social care;
- Provide education,
- Develop of long-term integration programs for those children (UAMs) who are staying in Montenegro.

Responses to Immigration

- Explain what are the main strategies and policies that have been developed (by the State, by NGOs, by local communities . . .) to address the challenges resulting from migration.
- Strategic approaches with results in proces of improving infrastructure capacities.
- The Centre for Asylum Seekers: “In Montenegro were adopted a variety of strategies and action plans at the state level dealing with groups that are currently or potentially socially disadvantaged, or deal with specific topics related to social inclusion. As the current social protection system is primarily focused on cash benefits, it follows that In Montenegro, community services are insufficiently developed”.

Flashpoints

- Describe a particular episode/s that occurred in your country and which highlight/s some of the challenges in addressing migration appropriately.
- **Process identification of minors UAMs:** “The identification process has become increasingly difficult because foreign citizens do not usually carry any identification documents. This is especially true for juveniles who come from African countries. This is very important, given that the identification might ease the process of locating family members”.
- „The identification is also made difficult since there are no prescribed procedures and protocols for assessing the age of the minor, and thus it is not rare that adult migrants declare themselves as older minors in order to avoid misdemeanor prosecution for crossing the state borders illegally, and also ensure favorable treatment which applies to minors” (SUAMME, 2015:13-15).

Conclusion: Prospects

- Looking forward, what can one expect of immigration in your country?
- Accelerations.
- Diversification.
- Montenegro - Final destination.
- Reform of System of Social Security.
- Improving multicultural capacities of society.
- Improving state capacities.