



Highlights: Country News

10/09/2014

UNICEF will help families of migrants in Armenia

UNICEF Armenia signed a memorandum of understanding with 10 urban and rural communities of Armenia. Ten programmes on development of social infrastructure amounting to EUR 100,000 will be implemented in a number of towns and villages of Lori, Tavush, Shirak and Gegharkunik regions. The programmes will be directed at the support of vulnerable groups and families of migrants, education and help to the disabled.

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09/09/2014

Some 130 refugees get support under EU programme in Armenia

Under an EU-funded “Targeted Initiative for Armenia” some 130 refugees received support in Armenia, director of the programme Virginie Arto said. These people have had consultations with specialists, their kids have got an opportunity to study Armenian and adults were given a chance to obtain education required to find a job.

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17/09/2014

69 Ukrainian citizens seek asylum in Armenia

It is not known how many people have settled in Armenia due to the Ukrainian crisis, but 69 citizens of Ukraine have petitioned to the Armenian State Migration Agency with a request for asylum.

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Netherlands will provide support for reintegration of irregular migrants in Armenia

The first phase of the programme is intended for 100 people. Support will be given to those who will apply for it to the end of 2014. The amount will be available for reintegration in Armenia, for employment, vocational training, and temporary accommodation.

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09/07/2014

EU approved 9% of asylum applications from Armenian citizens in 2013

The European Asylum Support Office considered 5,585 applications from the citizens of Armenia in 2013, says the report issued by the organization. Only nine per cent of applicants from Armenia got positive response, while 5,090 applications were rejected.

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16/09/2014

New rules on registration of refugees in Azerbaijan to be determined

New rules and guidelines on registration of refugees arriving to Azerbaijan will be determined. Amendments are being made to the law "On registration upon place of residence and stay" in this regard.

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01/09/2014

EU–Azerbaijan visa facilitation agreement enters into force

The agreement makes it easier and cheaper for citizens of Azerbaijan, in particular those who travel frequently, to acquire short-stay visas allowing them to travel to and throughout most EU countries. A short-stay visa is a visa for an intended stay of no more than 90 days per period of 180 days. Under the agreement, visa fees will be reduced from €60 to €35, and some for some categories of citizens visa fees will be waived.

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04/07/2014

Azerbaijani–Georgian commission on border cooperation to be established by end of 2014

A bilateral commission on border cooperation between Azerbaijan and Georgia will be created by the end of the year, Georgian Deputy Minister of Regional Development and Infrastructure Tengiz Shergelashvili told. The commission will also work with organizations that have applied to participate in the territorial cooperation programme of the Eastern Partnership countries, he noted.

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02/09/2014

Belarusian President signs decree on demarcation of border with Ukraine

On the website of the President of the Republic of Belarus, it is stressed that the adoption of the document had been caused by the necessity to implement Part 3 of the Belarus-Ukraine Border Treaty as of 12 May 1997.

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26/09/2014

Georgia, EU discuss Eastern Partnership issues

Georgian Foreign Minister Maia Panjikidze met with Italian Foreign Minister, designated EU High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy Federica Mogherini during the 69th regular session of the UN General Assembly that kicked off in New York on September 24. The two sides discussed the level of cooperation between Georgia and the EU.

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26/09/2014

The UN Refugee Agency and Georgia to help Ukraine create modern system for registration of displaced persons

The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) and Georgia are ready to share their experience and provide the necessary support for the creation of a system for the registration of internally displaced persons from Crimea and Donbas, the press service of the Ukrainian Social Policy Ministry has reported.

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01/09/2014

Georgia introduces categories of entry visas

Based on the law "On the Legal Status of Foreigners and Stateless Persons", there are five categories of entry visas for foreigners in Georgia since September 1. They are as follows: migration, diplomatic, special, ordinal, and transit. The migration visas include student visa, working visa and visa for business purposes, as well as for family reunification.

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07/08/2014

Moldovan Border Police launches a new Code of Conduct

The Moldovan Border Police launched a new Code of Conduct at Tudora-Starokozache border crossing point. As a part of the launch, the Border Police introduced new information material for travellers on their rights and



obligations during border crossing. The Code of Conduct is an important step towards a more customer oriented approach and an improved service culture.

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31/07/2014

Foreigners can request Moldovan short-stay visas online

On 1 August 2014, the Foreign and European Integration Ministry launched e-visa service, which allows an applicant for short-stay visa in Moldova to file application online, by accessing www.evisa.gov.md, the Ministry's communication and media relations service has reported.

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14/08/2014

Special Monitoring Mission to Ukraine issues first thematic report on internal displacement

Based on about 400 interviews with internally displaced persons (IDPs), conducted by Special Monitoring Mission to Ukraine (SMMU) teams during the period of 18 June to 19 July 2014, the SMMU has issued its first thematic report. The report aims to provide an overview of the current situation of internally displaced persons in Ukraine.

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07/07/2014

Sharp rise in Ukrainians seeking EU asylum

New data on asylum claims in the EU shows a sudden surge in Ukrainian applicants this year. The Ukrainian applicants are widely spread across Europe and many are already working in the EU, the European Asylum Support Office (EASO) says.

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Highlights: EU Spotlight

08/09/2014

EU sets out cooperation priorities for Eastern and Southern Neighbourhood for coming years

Following consultation with partner countries, EU member States and the European Parliament, the European Commission has taken decisions providing important EU funding to the partners in the EU Neighbourhood in the coming years. This package includes programming documents for Algeria, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco and Tunisia, as well as for regional cooperation in both the Eastern and Southern Neighbourhood and for European Neighbourhood-wide programmes. The total amount of these programmes is over EUR 5.5 billion.

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22/08/2014

EuropeAid 2014 annual report released

The European Commission has released the 2014 annual report on the European Union's development and external assistance policies and their implementation outlining the actions of the EU's campaign for poverty eradication and sustainable development worldwide in 2013.

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11/07/2014

Eastern Partnership countries embark on territorial cooperation

Representatives of the Eastern Partnership countries, meeting at a conference in Tbilisi, have confirmed their common willingness to boost closer links between border regions and launch territorial cooperation programmes. The priorities, objectives, and mechanisms of the Eastern Partnership Territorial Cooperation Programme (EaPTC) were the main topics at the international conference in the Georgian capital held to mark the launch of the new programmes.

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