

THE GOVERNMENT OF ARMENIA APPROVED MIGRATION STRATEGY AND MIGRATION STRATEGY ACTION PLAN FOR 2017-2021

The Migration Strategy of Armenia for 2017-2021 was approved by the Government of Armenia in March 2017. It is the 4th fundamental document for formulation of Armenia's migration policy. Overall, it includes 8 strategic directions, 23 issues and 78 actions.

The Migration Strategy Action Plan for 2017-2021 was approved in August 2017. It focuses on implementation of the actions underlined in the Strategy as well as specifies the implementing state bodies and timeframes. The Action Plan consists of 173 concrete activities.

To ensure monitoring of the execution of the Action Plan, the interagency committee was established, which consists of 13 representatives of relevant line ministries and departments, 3 independent experts, as well as representatives of 5 NGO-s and international organizations (UNHCR, IOM, ICMPD).

The English version of the Migration Strategy and Migration Strategy Action Plan are available at the following link: http://smsmta.am/?menu_id=11.

THE GOVERNMENT OF ARMENIA APPROVED STRATEGY ON INTEGRATION OF IMMIGRANTS IN ARMENIA AND ACTION PLAN FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE STRATEGY

Before 2016 there was no special policy aimed at integration of foreign nationals implemented in Armenia. Concept Paper of such a policy was approved by the Government in July 2016 and the Action Plan for Implementation of the Concept Paper in February 2017. Major objective of these documents is to fill a gap in Armenia's migration policy by selecting target groups of immigrants and defining potential ways for their integration based on relevant international best practices.

In general, to ensure integration of selected groups of immigrants, the documents provide for three major activities: organization of the Armenian language courses, organization of the civil orientation training courses, and provision of temporary accommodation.

The English version of the Strategy on Integration of Immigrants is available at the following link: <http://smsmta.am/?id=60172>.

ARMENIAN EXTENDED MIGRATION PROFILE

On 19 October, 2017 the Government of Armenia approved Decree on “Approving the Structure and the List of Indicators of Migration Profile of the Republic of Armenia”. The approved Structure of the Extended Migration Profile includes the the following content: Introduction, List of abbreviations, General information on the Republic of Armenia, Executive Summary, Part A: Migration Processes in the Republic of Armenia, Part B: Migration Influence, Part C: Migration Management System , Attachments. The list of indicators of the Profile contains 144 indicators.

The Government Decree stipulates developing and publishing the Extended Migration Profile once in three years starting from 2019. For those years, when the Extended migration profile will

not be developed, it is planned to publish Basic Migration Profiles, which will contain statistical data and tables.

Extended migration profile published in 2014 is available at the following link:
<http://smsmta.am/?id=1026>