

***ECONOMIC IMMIGRATION FROM UKRAINE TO POLAND AND ITS IMPORTANCE FOR  
BALANCING THE REGIONAL LABOR MARKET ON THE EXAMPLE OF THE PODKARPACKIE  
VOIVODESHIP***

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The above dissertation describes current and still unstructured issue of Ukraine to Poland economic immigration. The main aim of the dissertation is to asses – based on the Podkarpackie Voivodeship – importance of the economic immigration for the balancing of the regional labor market.

As a result of the, undertaken due to the complexity of the subject matter, decomposition of the main objective, three specific objectives were formulated. First of them is the presentation of international labor flows and the allocation of migrants in the labor market – on the ground of selected economic theories. Second one is the assessment of the complementarity of employment from Ukraine in relations to Poles (on the example of the Podkarpackie Voivodeship) in the context of balancing the regional labor market. The third objective assumes the diagnosis of the reasons for employing immigrants from Ukraine on the regional labor market and related problems. The presented, main objective and specific ones are correlated with the formulated research problem and have been implemented according to the needs of the dissertation, thanks to advanced desk research and empirical research.

The main hypothesis claimed in the dissertation is: Economic immigration from Ukraine is conducive to supplementation of the shortage of native labor force in Podkarpackie Voivodship. It was confirmed by the hypothetical and deductive methods as a result of the verification of three detailed hypotheses: the employment of economic immigrants from Ukraine in the secondary segment of the regional labor market (H<sub>1</sub>), compensation by the abovementioned people lack in the shortage occupations on the Podkarpackie labor market (H<sub>2</sub>) and their competitiveness (threats) to the native, regional labor force (H<sub>3</sub>).

The dissertation presents i.e. original schemes concerning selected aspects of the raised issues. The structure of the dissertation includes: table of contents, introduction, six chapters (theoretical, theoretical-empirical, methodological and three empirical chapters) summary, bibliography, list of charts, tables, figures, list of abbreviations and attachments

The first chapter presents the results of a critical analysis of the literature on the subject of migration, its forms and its divisions. In the second chapter, an in-depth analysis of documents and criticism of the literature on the location of the subject of research, i.e. economic immigrants from Ukraine, in the migration policy of the European Union and in the light of Polish law was made. The third chapter presents the methodological aspects of the conducted research and the characteristics of the research sample. The fourth chapter includes historical outline of emigration from Ukraine, including Poland as a country of modern immigration of Ukrainian citizens and foreign emigration of Poles. The fifth chapter presents the author's socio-demographic profiles of economic immigrants from Ukraine employed by Podkarpackie entrepreneurs and presents the structure of issued documents legalizing the work of economic immigrants from Ukraine. Both the fifth and sixth chapters contain a description of the results of own research and the results of migration research made available by the Statistics Department of the National Bank of Poland.

The dissertation ends with a synthetic summary of the analyzes and considerations carried out in the work and the application message of the dissertation.

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