MIGRATION IN ICELAND

VERZLUNARSKÓLI ÍSLANDS





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AND BREATHE NORMALLY



5 TIPS TO ... SOCIAL INCLUSION

CONTACT

Lack of communication causes isolation. Talk to your immigrant neighbours. Smile and say 'hello' and introduce yourself, use simple language ore signs if needed. Help them learn a new language.



INVOLVEMENT

Involve the newcomers in events that have to do with culture, susch as food and sharing stories from their homes. Help newcomers know their rights.



ADJUSTMENT

Tell them about cultural traditions in the new community to help them adjust. Help them to get in contact with institutions, services, banks, sport activities etc.

 Don't think 'us' and 'them,' immigrants need to feel that they belong. Help combat racism



• BE ACTIVE

Integration must be effective ar fair — it benefits both the newcomers and the locals.

SOURCE: http://topyaps.com/top-10-reasons-to-donate-to-charity

MAKING A DIFFERENCE







Good English Content

Good connection with audience Make audience observe information

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Overview





Where are immigrants coming from?

What are they doing here?

Refugees Asylum seekers Where are Icelanders emigrating too?

Cooperation with Nordic countries

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How do people get a residence permit?



Interviews with immigrants around us

Conclusion



Where are the immigrants coming from?

15.000 moved to Iceland in 2017



From all over the world

• Easier to come here if you live in a country who is a member of EEA or EFTA



From the Nordic contries

 Many from the Nordic countries – work and school



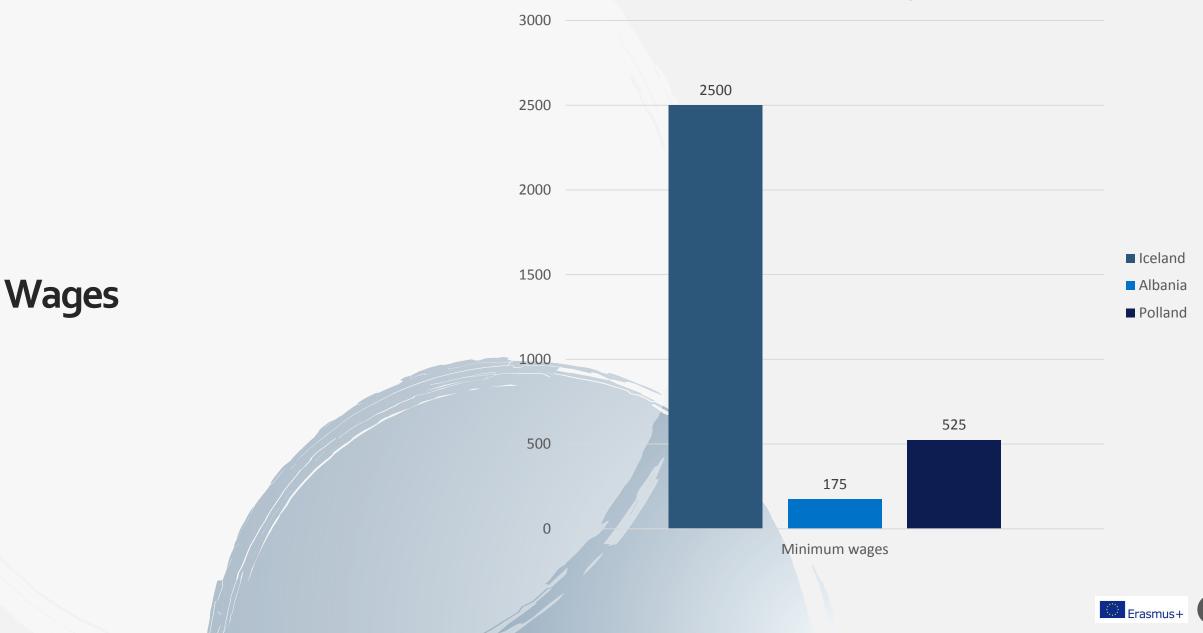
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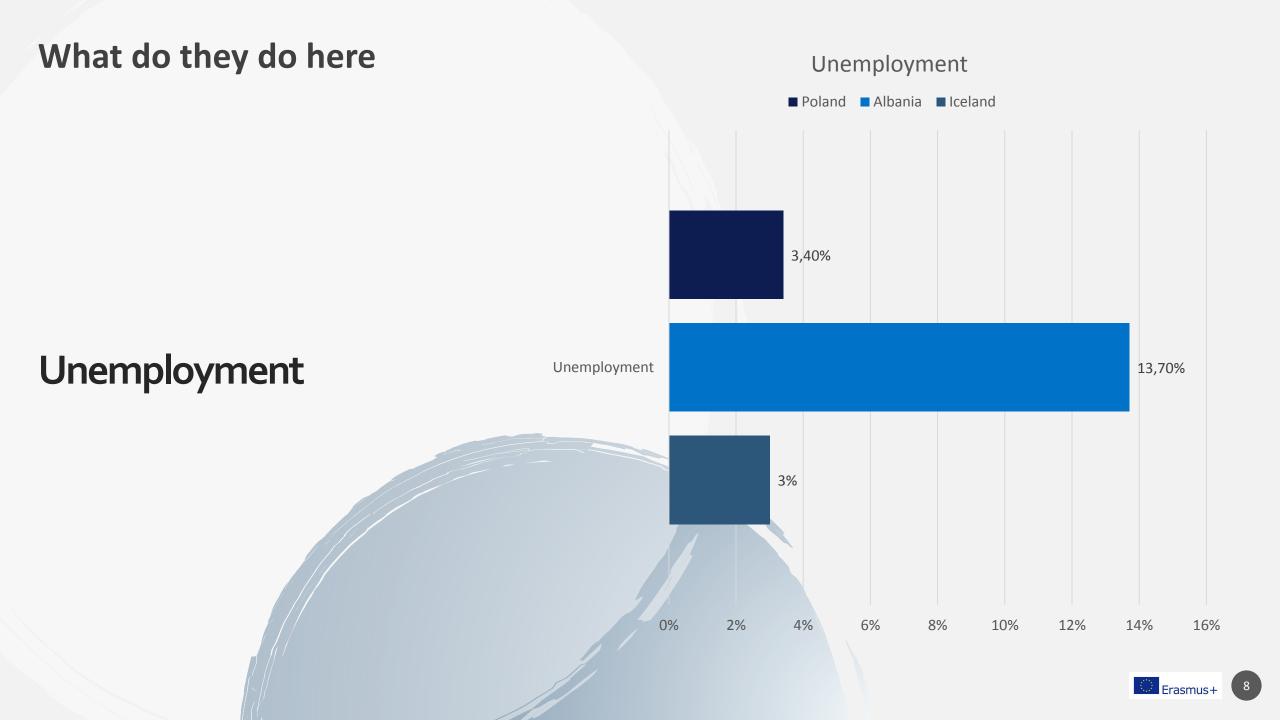
- The highest percentage comes from Poland
 - Around 4.500 in 2017



What do they do here

Minimum wages

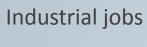




What do they do in Iceland

Main professions





Building houses Plumbing Carpenters



Keflavík airport

Cleaning Working in shops Luggage control



Housekeeping

Cleaning Babysitting



Tourism industry Tour guides Salesman



Restaurants

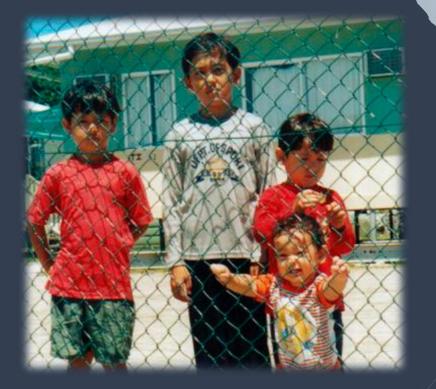
Waiters

Chefs



Asylum seekers

- By 2016 1130 asylum seekers applied for asylum in Iceland
- Three times more than the year before
- 60% came from Macedonia and Albania
- Took around 80 days to get a conclusion in 2016
- Is a huge improvement
- Used to take from a few weeks up to 2 years





- 1. Go to a police station to apply
- 2. Give basic information
- 3. Police investigation
- 4. The application is sent to the Immigration Office
- 5. You get help if you need it
 - The Red Cross
- 6. The Immigration Office makes a

How do you apply for asylum in Iceland?

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Refugees

Quota Refugees Is invited to the country by the government Doesn't have to go through the process of applying for international protection. The government decides how many they take into the country if there's a crisis in the world. Limited amount of quota

Refugees

Must apply for an international protection in a country. Though process to go through.

Unlikely to get a citizenship.





Refugees in Numbers

2017

• 1092 applications came in to the Icelandic government, many still in process today

• 457 applications were completed

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135 accepted		322 refused	
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Where are Icelanders emigrating to? The Nordic countries

Why?

- Studying
- Work opportunities
- Not enough jobs that require a university degree
- Better weather
- Cheaper services



Residence permit

- EEA (EU and EFTA combined) citizens
- What do they have to do?
- Non EEA citizens

- Marry a person from a country that is a member of either EFTA, EEA or both.
- Get a work permit
- University



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A woman from a country outside of the EU marries an Icelandic citizen. The woman is now a member of the EEA

Her child remains home in her country but wants to move to Iceland The child must therefore apply for a residence permit

Cooperation with the Nordic countries

- Nordic co-operation
- Aim is to strengthen the position of the Nordic countries internationally
- No passport needed
- If an Icelander wants to move to Denmark for more than six months all he or she has to do is to request a social security number.





INTERVIEWS WITH IMMIGRANTS LIVING IN ICELAND

FRANCISCO VALLADARES SERRANO

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MOVED TO ICELAND WHEN HE WAS 15

DIFFICULT AT FIRST

HIS FAMILY MOVED TO ICELAND WHEN HE WAS 20

HIS FAMILY NOW RUN A PIZZA PLACE CALLED FERNANDO'S

IS STUDYING AT A UNIVERSITY AND HELPS WITH THE FAMILY BUISNESS ON THE



MARCELINA

- CAME HERE 2007 ONLY 6 YEARS OLD.
- CAME HERE FOR WORK
- PREJUDICE
- LIKES ICELAND
- EASY FOR HER TO ADAPT
- HARD ON HER MOTHER



What can we do?

How will we see the future

Be welcoming to everyone

- Say hello
- Smile
- Make conversation
- mindset

Be patient

- Show patient to those who need it
- Be patient towards those trying to learn the language

Show understanding

- Promote immigrants to know their rights
- Listen



THANK YOU FOR LISTENING.

