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+ Topic: Revot Questionnaire

The situation of Refugees in Greece

Inhabitants of Greece

Elstat 2011 :

- 10.815.197 > 5.302.703 (49%M) – 5.512.494(51% F)>
9.903.268 (91,6%) Greeks
- Migrants (documented migrants) = 911.929 > 80%
Europeans (750.000) + 20% Asians , Americans, Africans
(150.000)



Refugees Hosted in Greece

Reports concerning October 2016

- 60.629 Refugees
- This number reflects the number of documented refugees, concerning the basic points of reference to the state.
- See [here](#) for a more detailed percentage



The 10 main Countries that find refuge in Greece

Data is based on the number of individuals in possession of a valid residence permit by country of origin by reference date 19.4.2016, from the 10 main countries of origin. [Source: Ministry of Interior and Administrative Reconstruction]

	Male	Female	Total
Albania	209.566	171.190	380.756
Ukraine	3.468	15.945	19,413
Georgia	5.234	12.848	18,082
Pakistan	14.946	1.528	16,474
Russia	2.746	11.944	14,690
India	10.397	3.869	14,266
Egypt	8.938	3.031	11,969
Moldova	2.220	6.920	9,140
Philippines	2.811	7.373	10,184
Armenia	2.365	4.013	6,378
Total	262.691	238.661	501,351



+ Policies concerning the education of refugees in Greece

The Ex- Minister of Education Stated

- For children over 15 years old, as well as for adults, there will be special care to provide language courses, sports and artistic activities and technical and vocational training programs.
- Children over 15 years old have the opportunity, after learning the Greek language, to study in the technical, vocational and other universities and colleges of the country or to continue their education as they wish in the schooling system.

Cooperation of ΥΠΕΠΘ and NGO's on the matter

- Following the meeting of the 25th of August 2016 of the Secretary General of the Ministry of Education, Research and Religious affairs, Mr. John Pantis and International Organisations and NGOs on the matter of education of refugee children recalled that:
- International organizations and non-governmental organisations can operate in the field of non-formal education in hours and days you will not coincide with the schedule of nursery and reception classes, after receiving certification by the educational policy Institute (PSE) after filling the following form
http://www.iep.edu.gr/images/perigraph_ekpaid_drast_prog.docx form

[source](#)



Published by the Government was the matter on the Establishment, Organization, Functioning, the Coordination of the Structures on Education of Refugees (DYEP), as well as the criteria for the staffing process of such structures. Following are the main components:

- Especially in cases where there are no criteria of para. 1 in article 2 Structures can be set up for the education of children aged 6-12 years (Elementary) and 13-15 years (high school) as Annexes school units which will operate within the accommodation centres.

- The training provided by this decree relates to all the children of third country nationals residing in centers or hosting structures of Greek State or UNHCR. Children enrolled as appropriate, either in the schools in which they will operate either in the schools, which include the annexes of paragraphs 2 and 3 of this Article.

- Especially for the education of children aged 4-5 years living in accommodation centers, established DYEP operate as Annexes kindergartens which will be hosted inside of the already existing accommodation centers.

- The establishment, organization, operation, coordination and training program of DYEP will be supervised by the Management Group on Coordination and Monitoring of refugee education, which coordinates and implements actions through the Asylum Fund.



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1st- Municipality of Patras [\(click here for more\)](#)

- Office of Services for the Immigrants: This office has now been moved into the centre of the city and further developed. The office provides services for the benefit of immigrants living within the city, helping them to manage the procedural issues such as permits, licenses and other official documents
- Patras is taking a proactive role to deal with the refugee crisis. For the moment, the city has not been yet a destination for refugees. However, Patras is a main port of Western Greece and has been a by-pass city in the recent past for undocumented migrants who wished to use the port and reach Central Europe (through Italy). Taking into account this experience and the current circumstances, Patras is preparing for providing services to refugees who may possibly reach the city.
- In line with this concept, the Municipality of Patras has established links with the refugee centre of Myrsini, an area within the Elia prefecture, next to Achaia (of which Patras is the capital).



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2nd – Praksis [\(click here for more\)](#)

- Special Target Group: Families – unaccompanied minors
- Overview of activities: Accommodation, Social & cultural activities, Facilitating school insertion (primary or low secondary school), Networking with NGOs in the area
- The main objective of PRAKSIS programs and actions is to combat social and economic exclusion of socially vulnerable groups as well as to advocate for and promote their social rights. These main objectives include the design, application and implementation of humanitarian and development programmes.
- In particular, PRAKSIS aims: (a) to provide free social services and prime medical services; (b) to work towards prevention and awareness; (c) to promote solidarity and volunteerism; (d) to develop programmes against social and economic exclusion of vulnerable social groups and individuals; (e) to create or/and support networks which advocate for the needs of the target groups and (f) to develop a dialogue with the Greek society along with state agencies.

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3rd – Cyclisis [\(click here for more\)](#)

- Special Target Group: Young migrants and refugees – 18+
- Overview of activities: Social & cultural activities, greek language, school supplementary lessons
- Cyclisis' purpose is to increase the social welfare services to members of vulnerable social groups in the area of the municipality of Patras.
- Using mentoring techniques, as well as empowerment and self-esteem ones, they aim at facile socialization. With food and cultural communicational activities they expect to create a Core of life coaching Mentors in the community.
- With a view to stimulating intercultural understanding and viable coexistence, they aim to strengthen the self-esteem of young unemployed people (young mothers, Roma, immigrants, refugees) as well as to “galvanize” them within the community.



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4th – University of Patras & Open University

- Special Target Group: Migrants and Refugees
- The university of Patras is in the process of concluding a multicultural sensitivity research project to measure the intercultural position of staff operating in the education system. Further to this action the same university is offering short courses on discrimination issues, cultural awareness and intercultural issues but not always in a structured manner but often as electives within other courses.
- In addition, it is noteworthy, that various related initiatives have been implemented by other bodies of Patras such as the Hellenic Open University, the University of Patras, the Technical Educational Institute, the Associations of Employees in sectors of food, tourism, banking-finance, weapons industry, people with disabilities, etc. This collective endeavor shows in practice the solidarity spirit of the people of Patras who, at the same time, have been facing the impact of the economic crisis, to themselves and their families.
- <http://www.press-eap.net/uploads/3/0/5/6/30564095/researchpress.pdf>



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5th – Mirsini Center in Elia Prefecture

- Special Target Group: Migrants and Refugees
- Overview of Activities: Refugee Accommodation structures in which educational activities was surveyed.
- The center hosts approximately 340 refugees, of whom the vast majority are women and children. Over 60% of the families who are accommodated in the space have a related person in another country in Europe. The main demand of the refugees is to be allowed to continue their journey and be reunited with their families.
- The Myrsini refugee centre is run by the related Municipality of Andravida – Kyllini.
- Emphasis is put to the collection of toys and stationery for kids (bags, pencils, drawing material, etc.)

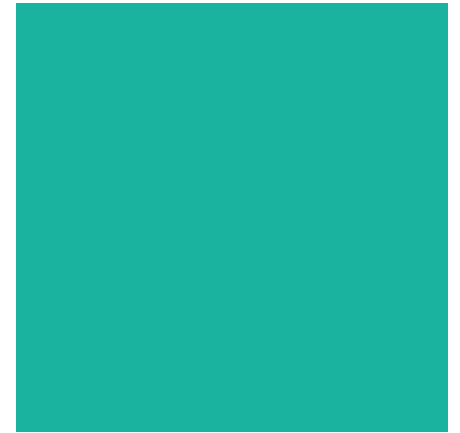


Lacks of education
and training for
refugees reported!!



There is no provision mentioned or officially identified concerning :

- Skills identification and Validation
- Training in specification
- Work based training is partially provided by SOLIDARITY NOW - A triangle alliance under the auspices of Athens Municipality ([click here for more](#))
- For more on the matter click [here](#)



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