SKILLS AND MIGRATION: MOLDOVA

Overview

25.1% International emigrants (as % of total population)

2.6% International immigrants (as % of total population)

Reasons to migrate:
- Lack of job opportunities
- Very low salaries
- Prospects of a better future for children

Profile of migrants:
- 86% secondary level education (36% technical/vocational training), 13% higher education
- 67.5% male, 32.5% female
- 78% 15 to 44 year-olds (39% 25-34 year-olds)

Key achievements:
- Well coordinated migration policies and governance
- Promotion of circular migration and recognition of the potential of the diaspora
- Bilateral labour agreements with top receiving countries

Possible way forward:
- Mutual recognition of professional qualifications with countries of destination
- Career guidance and counselling
- Donor coordination and monitoring and evaluation of measures

How can the ETF help?
- Qualifications reform: NQF, validation of informal and non-formal learning, occupational standards, registry of qualifications
- Analysis of labour market needs and the mismatch

Full datasets, definitions and sources are available in the ETF Skills and Migration country fiches Moldova: https://www.etf.europa.eu/en/regions-and-countries/countries/moldova