

Changing Spectrum of Migrants entering Greek Refugee Camp 2019 in Comparison to 2015/2016. (Psychological and social challenge) (Letter to The Editor)

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Abstract:

Spectrum of migrants to EU is changing. The aim of this letter is to assess the necessary change of psychological and social attitude to the new wave of migrants. Table 1 shows changes of the spectrum of the nationality of migrants to Lesbos UNHCR. Situation has substantially changed within last 3 years, when in 2015 and 2016 Syrian and Iraqi refugees were prevalent .In 2019 Afghaistan and Sub-Saharan Africa are in more than 50% of all residents of the Camp. Therefore psychological, social and medical approach must be modified from previous operations.

To the editors:

Spectrum of migrants to EU is changing. Previous studys from Greece, Slovenia, Bosna and other Balcan countries in 2015-2018 showed majority of Sirian and Iraqi nationals (1-5). The aim of this letter is to assess the necessary change of psychological and social attitude to the new wave of migrants. Table 1 shows changes of the spectrum of the nationality of migrants to Lesbos UNHCR Refugee camp Moria. The change of the spectrum significantly (more African and Afghani migrants) is a signal for a change of screening and operational policy.

Table 1: Changes of nationality of Migrants in 2019 comparing to 2016.

Country	2016	2019
Syria	1	3
Iraq	2	6
Afghanistan	4	1
Other ME	3	4
SS Africa	6	2
Other	5	5

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