

International Migration



People migrate because of many reasons.

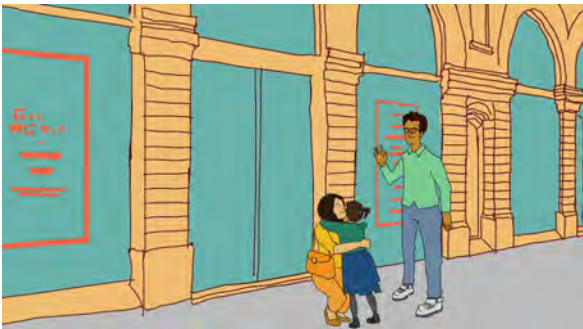
Some of these reasons are linked to the place where they used to live. The factors which cause them to emigrate (so called: PUSH-FACTORS) are for example: war, political persecution, environmental disasters, criminality.



Among all migrants there are some who have no possibility at all to stay in their own country, these ones can apply for asylum.



Moving to a new country implies chances but also challenges, as learning a new language and navigating in new cultural systems. Under the factors which pull people to other places (so called: PULL-FACTORS) there are



the wish to offer their children a better education,



the wish to live together with the person(s) they love,



the wish to live together with their own friends,



the wish to succeed professionally...



Though not always people have the papers they need to cross the boarder.



Even if they don't have them, they should be let in in order to ask for asylum. A judge will later on decide if the person has a right of asylum or not.



Sometimes it happens that people live in a country, though they don't receive the right papers to stay there. Their presence is defined as „irregular“ and has usually sad consequences for them and for the whole society, e.g. they live in uncertainty, their human rights are often not respected, they don't have usually access to the health and education system, they cannot do the job they would like to, the organized crime can easily exploit them.