Available recent evidence shows that the diaspora-centred development is innately socially and spatially variable in its impact, while the immigration-centred development has not been recognized to the fullest in the national context.

Effects of research into MIGRATION AND DEVELOPMENT NEXUS should be:

- providing better understanding of theoretical debates and empirical evidence of who benefits most, where, why and how in development strategies centred on diaspora and immigration;
- documenting the drivers and consequences of migration (including both international and internal movements as well as labor, return and circular migration) and their development impacts across multiple dimensions;
- exploring migration-development links in terms of reinforcing the view of migrants as agents of development who can produce beneficial outcomes for both emigration and immigration countries;
- understanding how human mobility is reshaping geographic, demographic, economic and social landscapes and why migration has more positive development outcomes in some regions, and negative outcomes in others.
Understanding human mobility patterns and their impact on development issues requires strong interdisciplinary approach followed by the analysis of new data (qualitative and quantitative) and application of innovative methodologies.

Some of the emerging complex and core issues under the topic of MIGRATION AND DEVELOPMENT NEXUS are:

- MIGRATION AND SOCIO-ECONOMIC LANDSCAPES (REGIONAL DISPARITIES, ECONOMIC INEQUALITY AND SOCIAL DIFFERENCES, POPULATION AGEING);
- MIGRATION PATTERNS FROM AND TO SERBIA – CAUSES AND CONSEQUENCES;
- LABOR MIGRATION AND HUMAN CAPITAL (LOW-SKILLED MIGRATION, BRAIN DRAIN, BRAIN WASTE, CARE DRAIN);
- RETURN AND CIRCULAR MIGRATION;
- EMIGRATION, COOPERATION WITH, CONNECTIONS TO AND SOCIO-POLITICAL MOBILISATION OF DIASPORA;
- SOCIAL AND FINANCIAL REMITTANCES;
- TRANSNATIONAL PERSPECTIVE OF ‘MIGRANTS’, ‘DIASPORA’ AND ‘TRANSNATIONAL COMMUNITY’;
- CLIMATE CHANGE, ENVIRONMENTAL REFUGEES AND DEVELOPMENT-INDUCED DISPLACEMENT.

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