



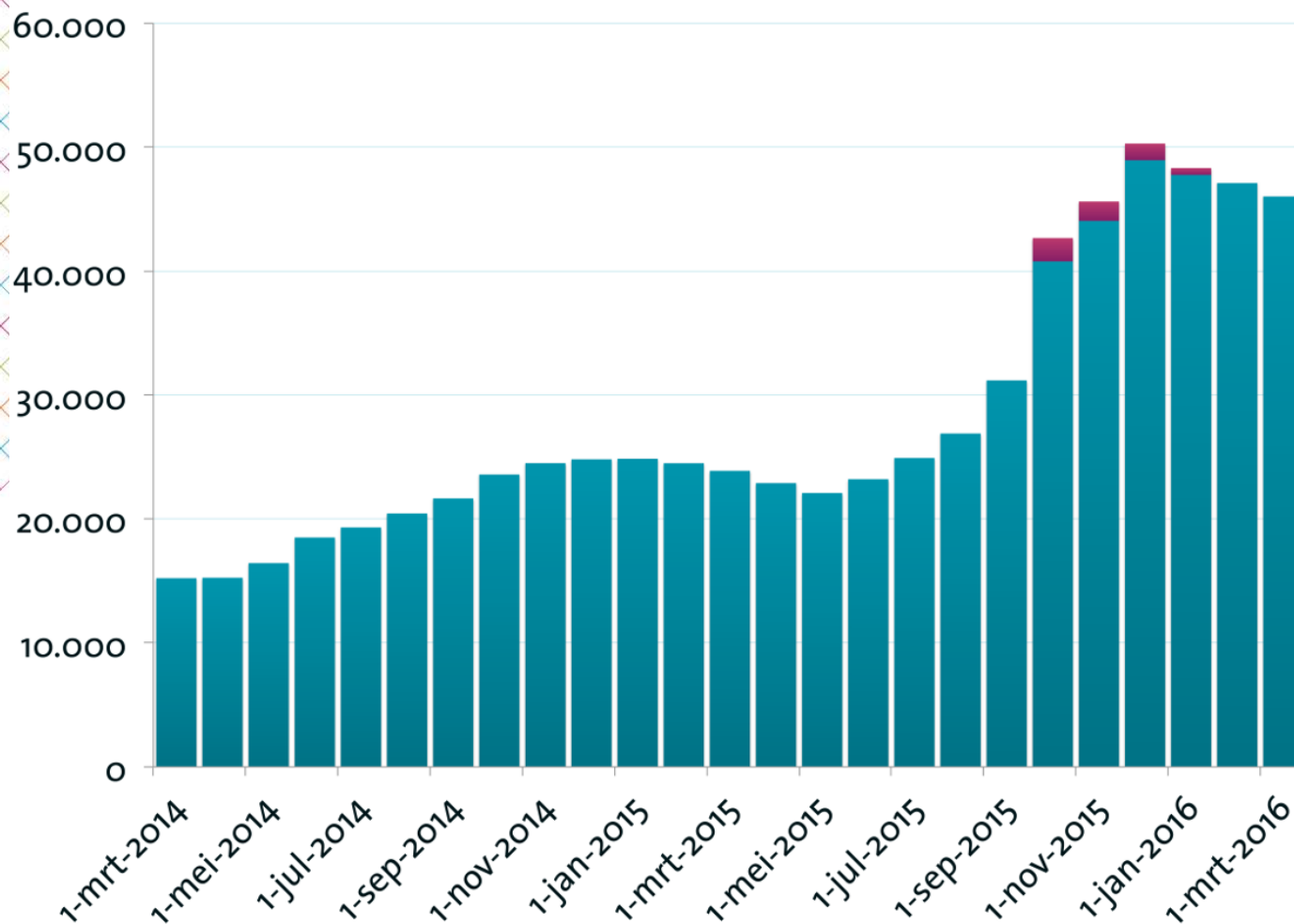
Guidance and validation in the Netherlands for refugees

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Situation: numbers of refugees

Overzicht bezetting COA

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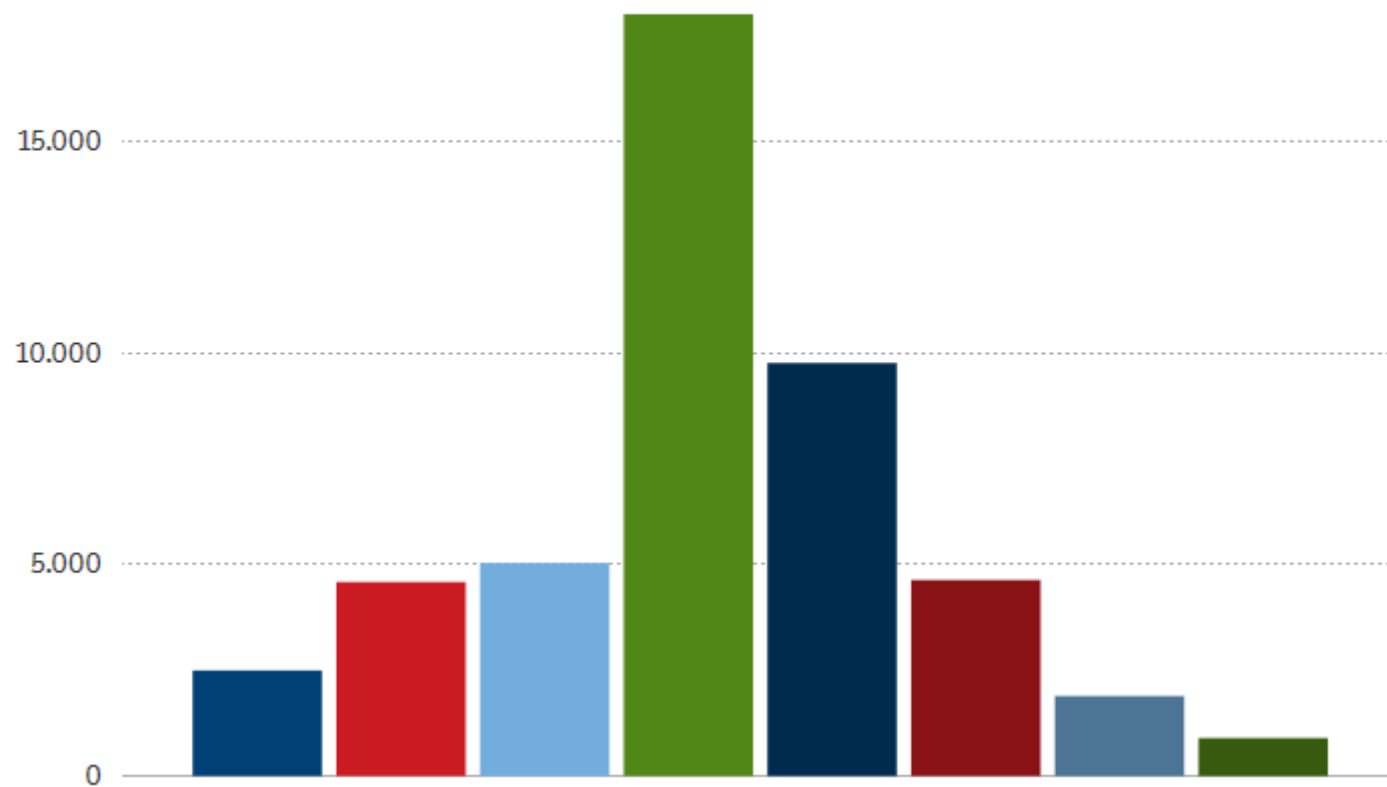
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Refugees figures 2015

0 t/m 3 4 t/m 11 12 t/m 17 18 t/m 29 30 t/m 39 40 t/m 49 50 t/m 59 60 en ouder

20.000



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Short overview

- ◆ Decentralised (temporarily) shelters
- ◆ Extra finances by government for integration of asylum seekers with status
- ◆ Adults (over 18 years) have no access to learning or working facilities while living in the shelters
- ◆ Many volunteers to support and help
- ◆ Many civil society organisations active



Adult refugees: integration

Policy for refugees with asylum status:
Obligation of integration/naturalization
within 3 years (Participation law)

- ◆ Language and cultural skills
- ◆ Municipalities responsible
- ◆ Effectuation by civil society organizations
- ◆ Guidance by great number of volunteers
- ◆ Great demands on self-reliance



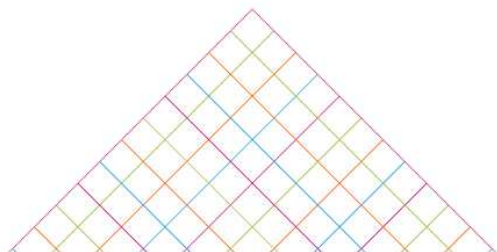
Adult refugees: validation

- ◆ Task force Work and Integration
- ◆ Task force diploma recognition
- ◆ Diploma recognition by National Reference Points VET and higher education; extra money from government but not enough capacity
- ◆ Private organisations for Recognition of Prior Learning
- ◆ Regional experiments and cooperation to get refugees to the labourmarket
- ◆ Many project-based interventions



Adult refugees: guidance

- ◆ Guidance and support decentralized and effectuation by many civil society organisations
- ◆ Shortage of professionals
- ◆ Many volunteers (and organisations) taking over the role and tasks of professionals



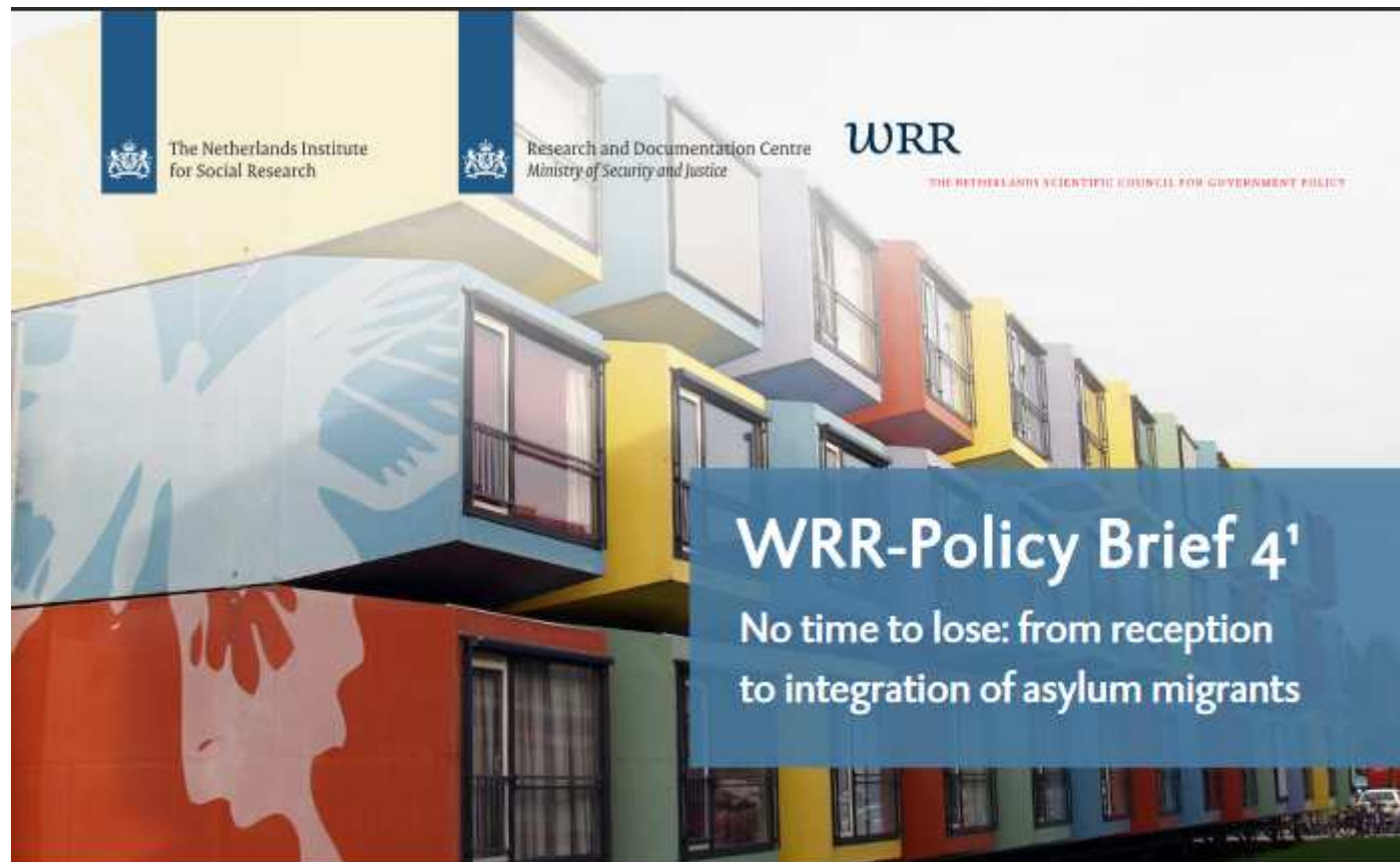
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Labourmarket integration of persons that have international or humanitarian protection in the Netherlands

European Migration Network, February 2016

https://www.opnieuwthuis.nl/documents/Integratie/WRR_Policy_Brief_-_No_time_to Lose.pdf



By focusing simultaneously on housing, language acquisition, training and work, public authorities will minimise the amount of valuable time lost in integrating asylum migrants.

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