

Summary in English

The first Issue of the Academic Bulletin "Refugees: Today and Tomorrow" for 2023 features in its first section in-depth analyses in three fields: university education, psycho-social inclusion and financial integration. The Issue's lead article examines the development and analyses of the European-level policy framework on the social dimensions of university education. The second article analyses the topic of increasing the financial literacy of refugees as an opportunity to achieve more effective integration. The third paper presents how staging conflict and traumatic scenarios in a secure environment allows refugee actors to see and experience themselves in new roles. On the bases of data from the 2022 UNHCR Age, Gender, Diversity Participatory Assessment, another essential article reveals information on the profile of Ukrainian citizens seeking protection in Bulgaria, how and where they are accommodated, what challenges they face, what can be done to improve their quality of life in Bulgaria. The case of the city of Plovdiv is also presented as an example of successful integration at the local level. The first Issue also presents several important publications, an academic book "Refugees in the Perceptions of Bulgarian Citizens Fears, Perception, Compassion" 2022, published by the academic publishing house "Prof. Marin Drinov" and two practical books "A Practical Manual on Alternatives to Immigration Detention" published by the Legal Aid Center "Voice in Bulgaria" and "ABC - First Steps" by the Reach Out Foundation. The Issue also features information on the European Refugee Scholars Support Hub, part of the EURAXESS network, in which Sofia University is an active partner.