

Roundtable II

East to West European Migration

Mobility and Inclusion –
Highly-skilled Labour Migration in Europe

Berlin, February 19, 2010, 11.00-13.30 h



AGENDA

1. Introduction
2. EU Labor Markets after Post-Enlargement Migration (Martin Kahanec)
3. Brain Drain', 'Brain Gain' or 'Brain Waste': East-West Migration after Enlargement (Jane Hardy)
4. East-West Migration: EU-15 and Germany - Mitigating the cleavage between the demand of low and highly-skilled labour (Elmar Hönekopp)
5. Presentation by Jan Kust
6. Discussion
7. Policy Recommendation

Main Questions for Discussion

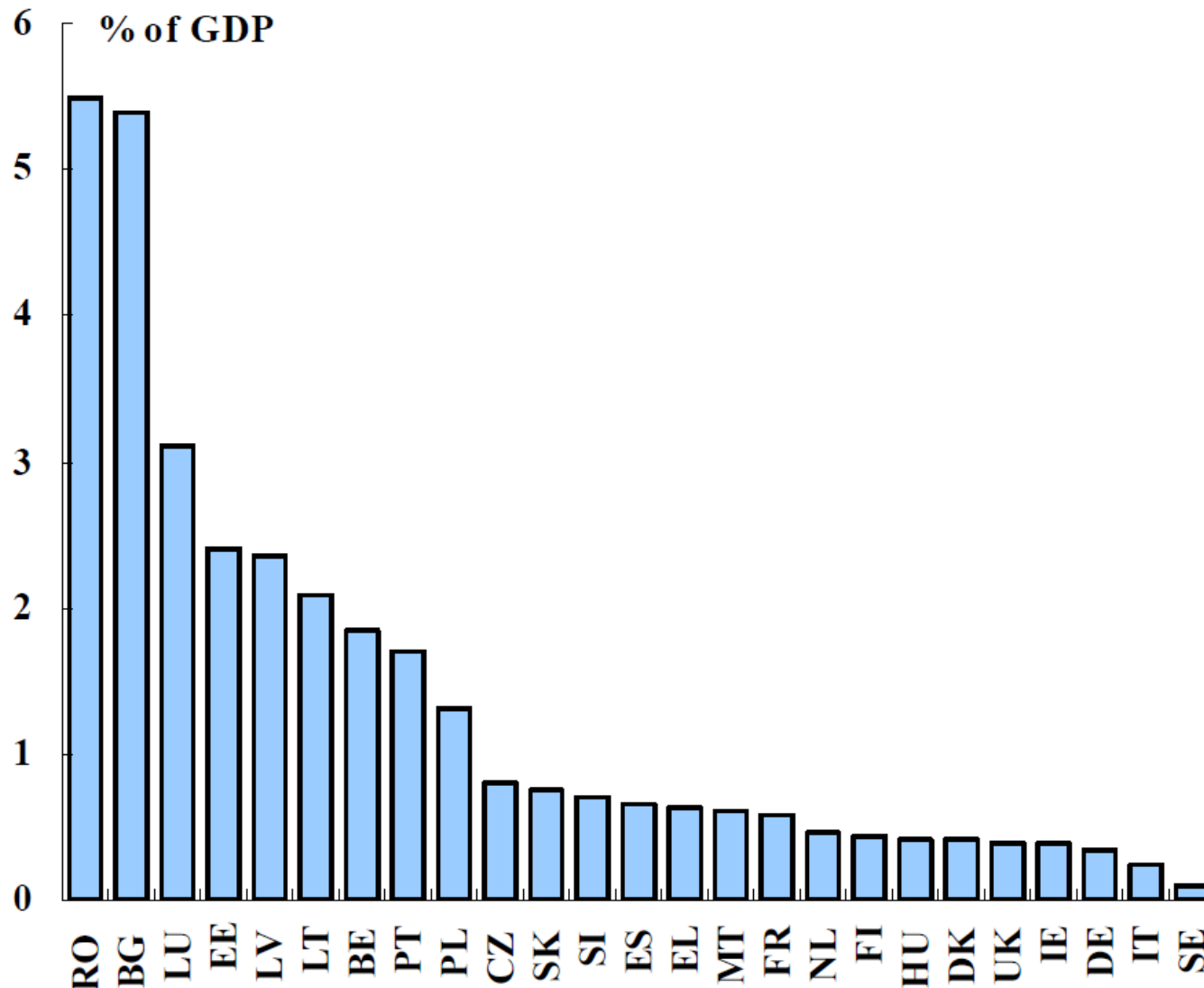
- What are the jobs for Eastern European migrants?
- What are the consequences for the sending countries?
- Trends from sending to destination countries

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Labor Migration and Remittances

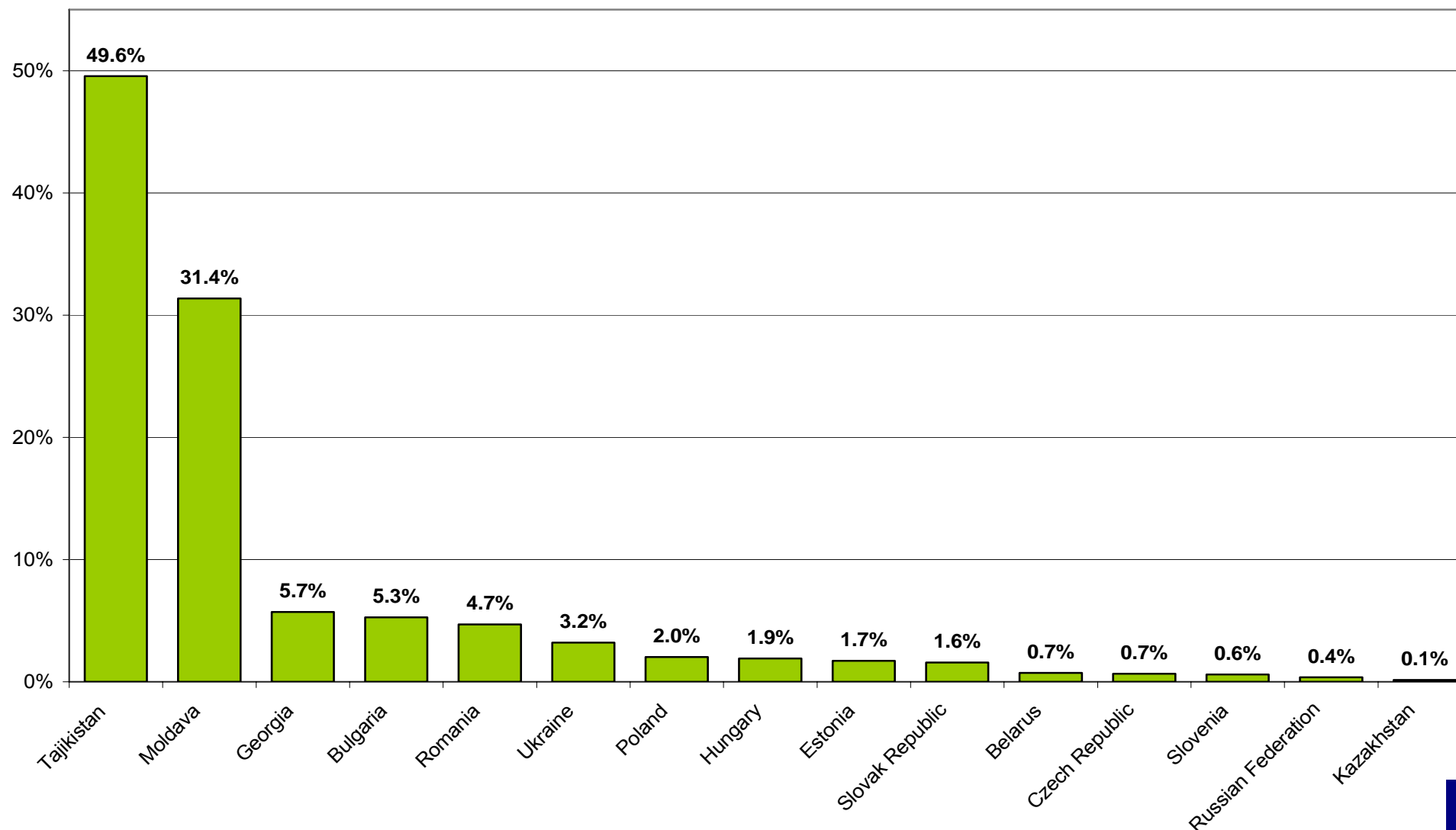
Remittances as a share of GDP, 2008 (%)



Source: World Naml,
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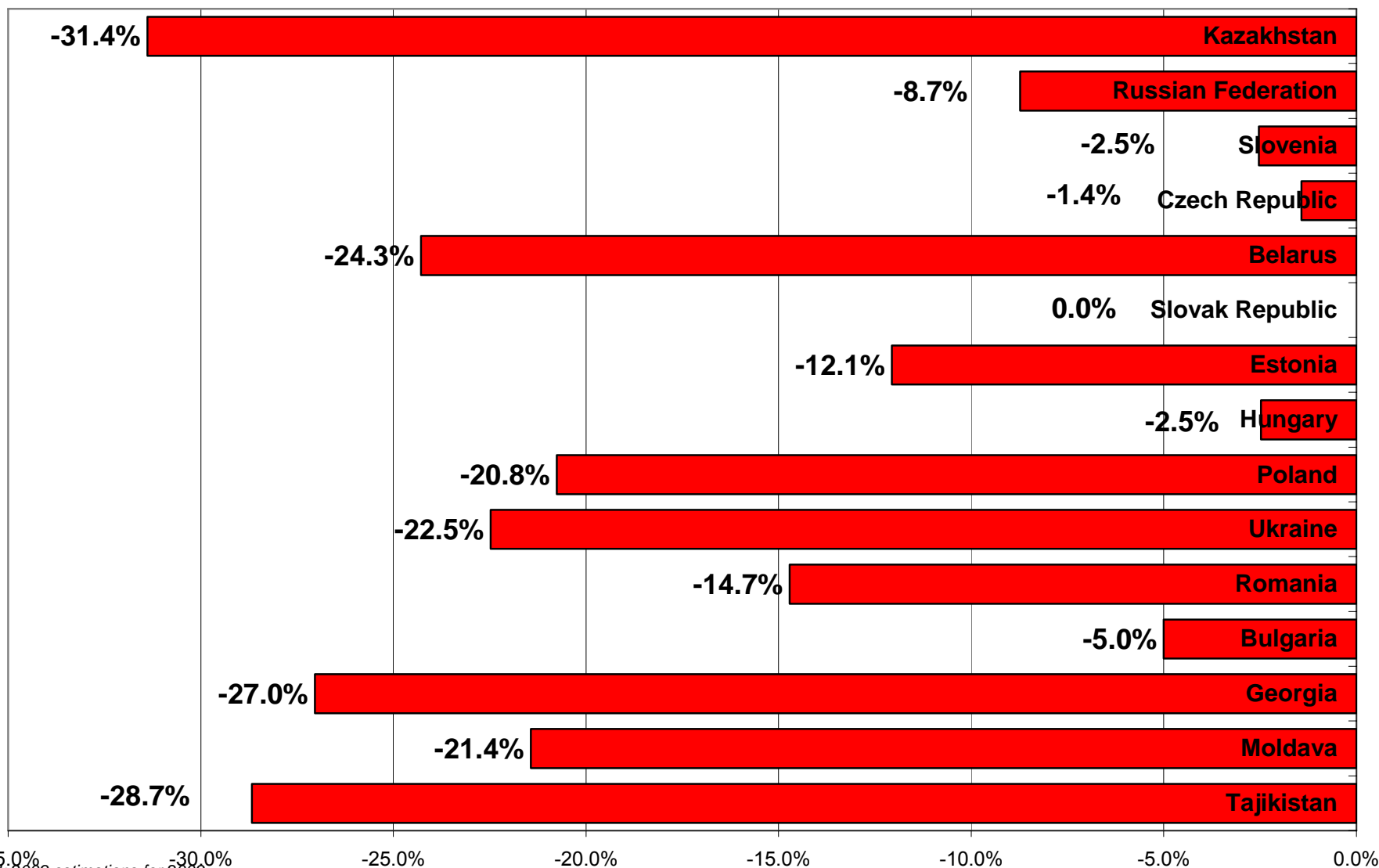
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Remittances and the Crisis

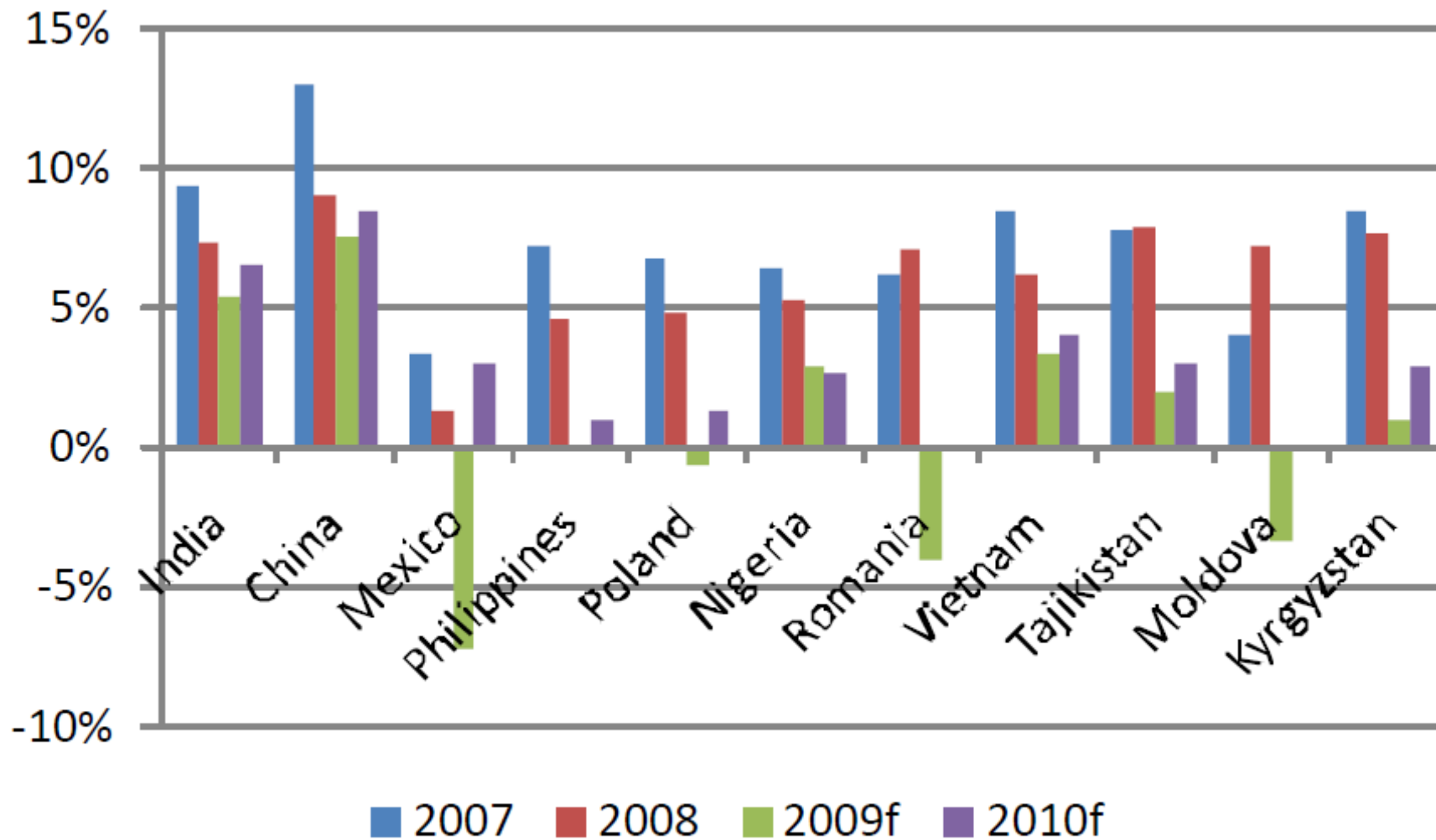
Shift 2008 to 2009 in %



Source: Worldbank 2009, estimations for 2009

Economies are slowing down

GDP growth in major origin countries, in %



Source: IMF (2009). *resp. Arslan (2009)*

Social Impact

Facing problems?

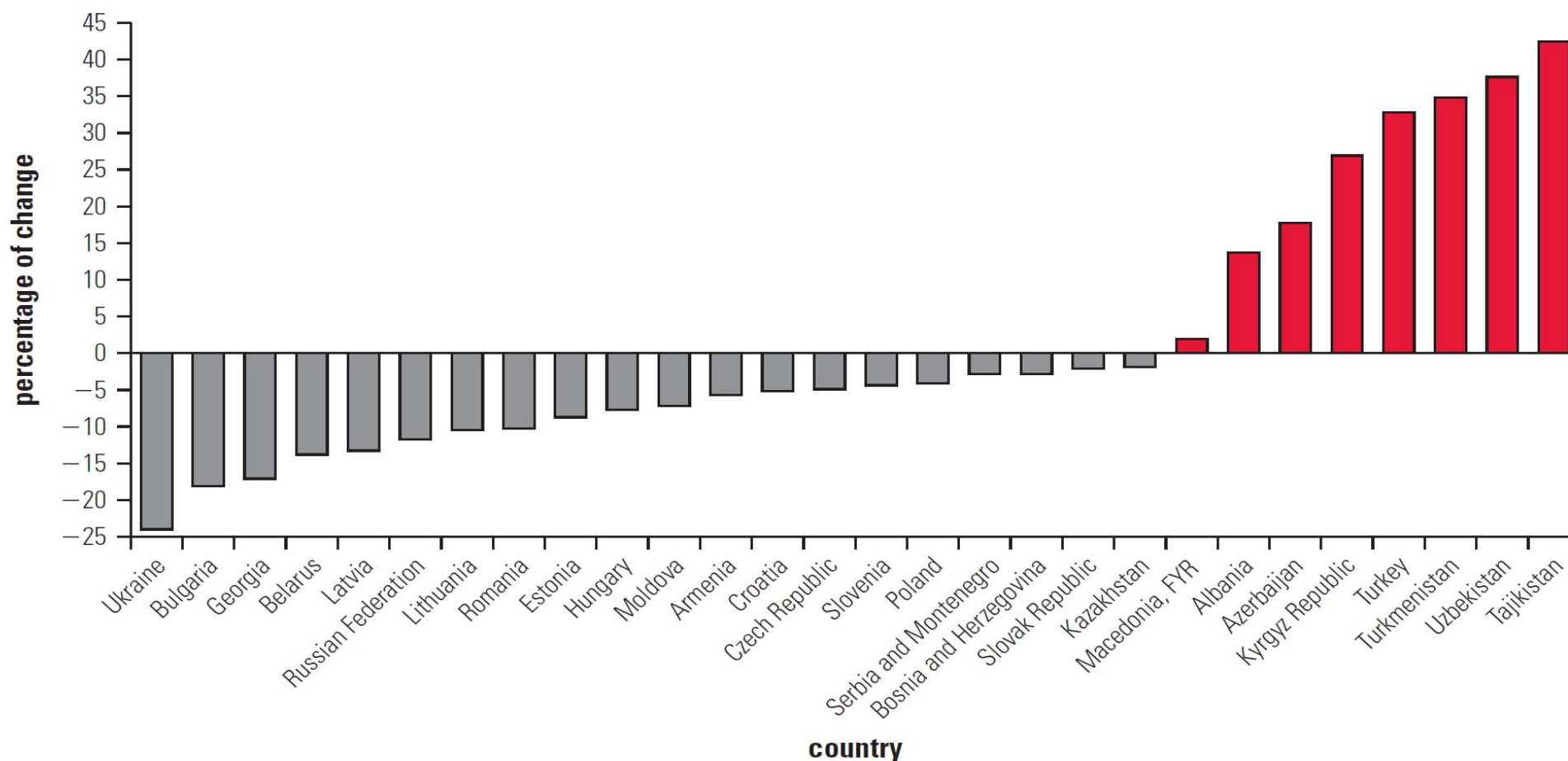
There is evidence of differences between the living conditions of newcomers and host country nationals including higher risks of poverty, poorer educational outcome for their children, difficulties in accessing housing, health care and other social services.

Furthermore, there have been reports from some sending countries of negative impacts on family cohesion and children as a consequence of one or both parents working abroad.

Trends from sending to destination countries?

Eastern Europe Demographic Future - Growing Imbalances?

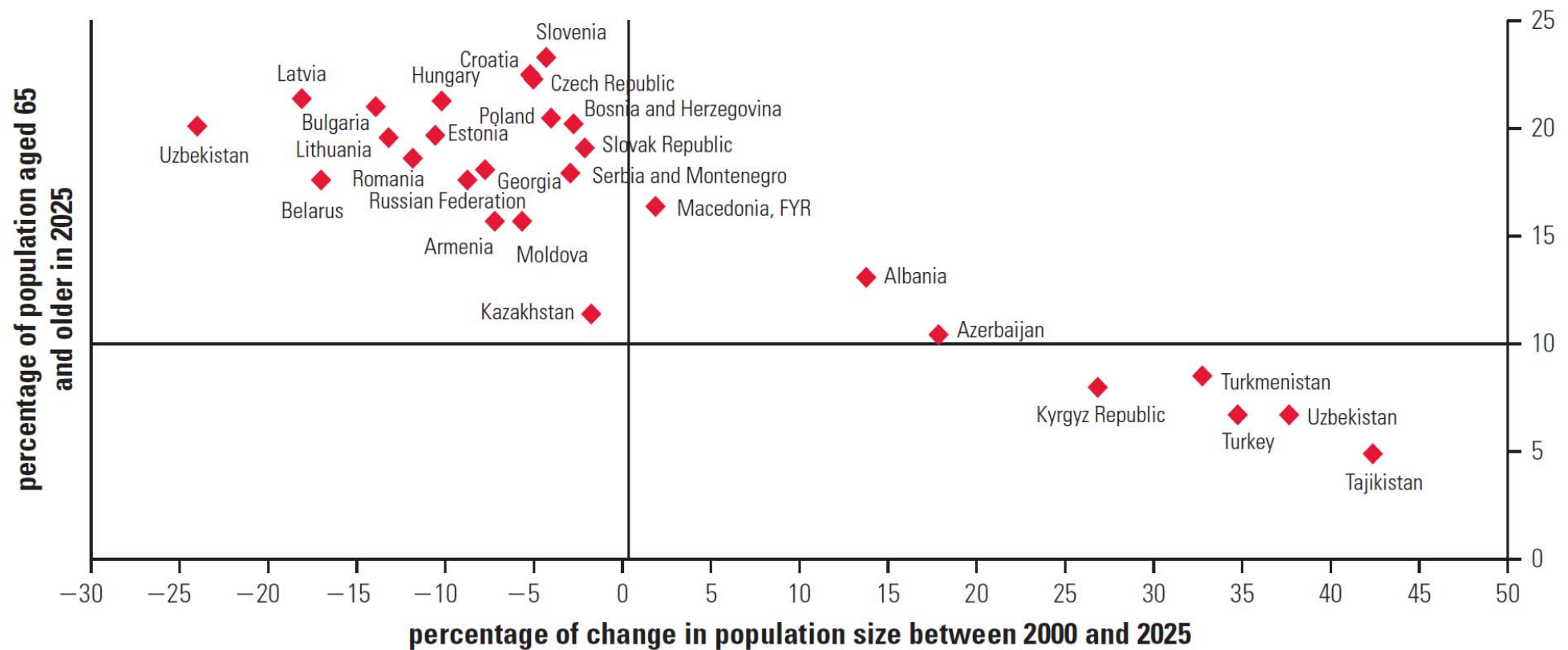
Projected Change in Population Size in Eastern Europe and the Former Soviet Union, 2000–25



Source: World Bank staff calculations, based on United Nations 2005.

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Proportion of the Projected Population 65 Years and Older in 2025 and Percentage of Change in Population Size between 2000 and 2025 in Eastern Europe and the Former Soviet Union



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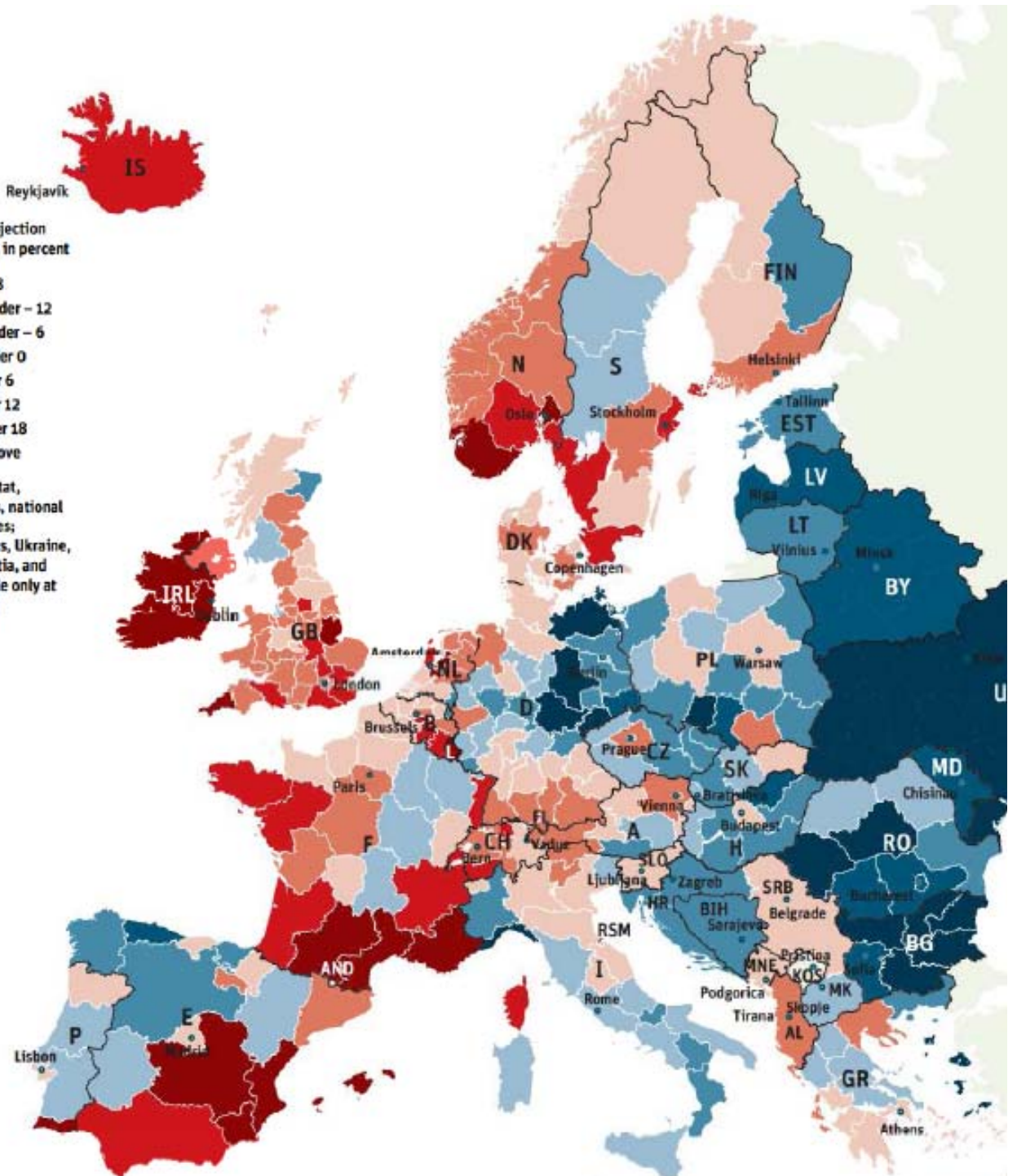
East West Demographic Shifts

Population Projection
2004 to 2030, in %

Population projection
2004 to 2030, in percent

- under -18
- 18 to under -12
- 12 to under -6
- 6 to under 0
- 0 to under 6
- 6 to under 12
- 12 to under 18
- 18 and above

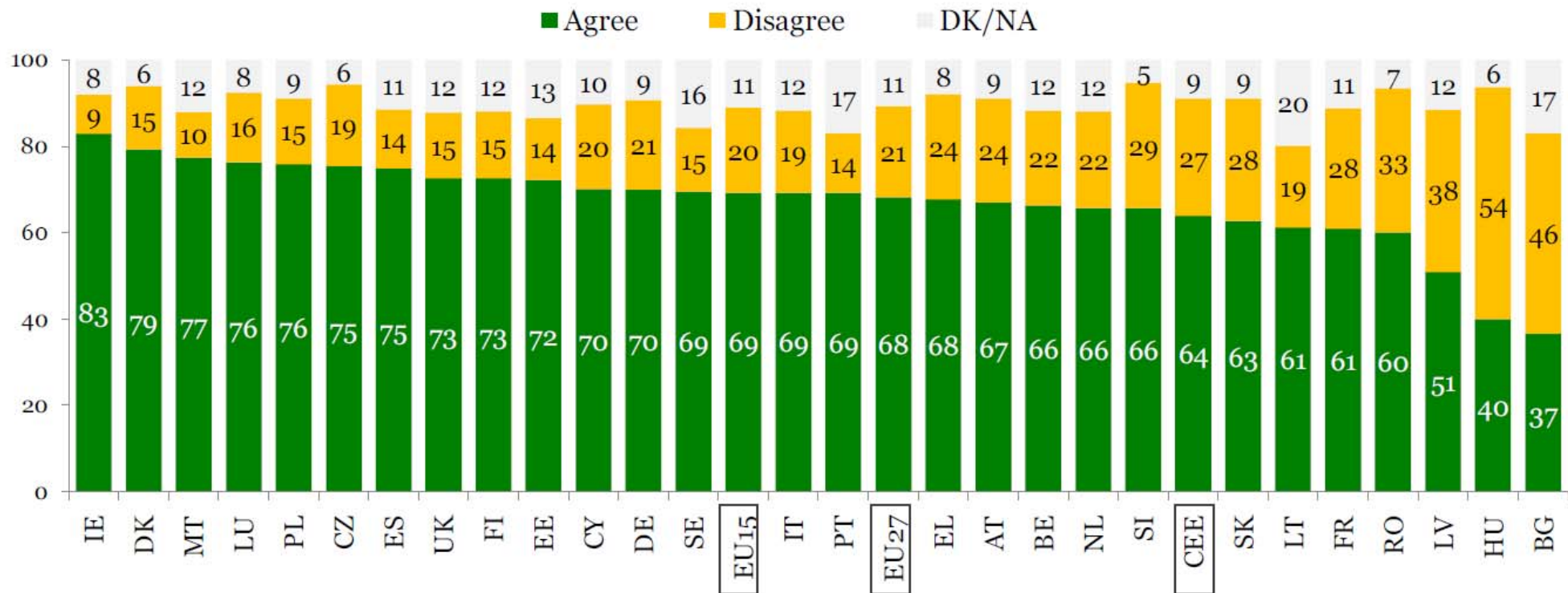
(Source: Eurostat, United Nations, national statistics offices; data for Belarus, Ukraine, Moldova, Croatia, and Serbia available only at national level)



Enlargement and Public Perception

Improvements? Different Perceptions...

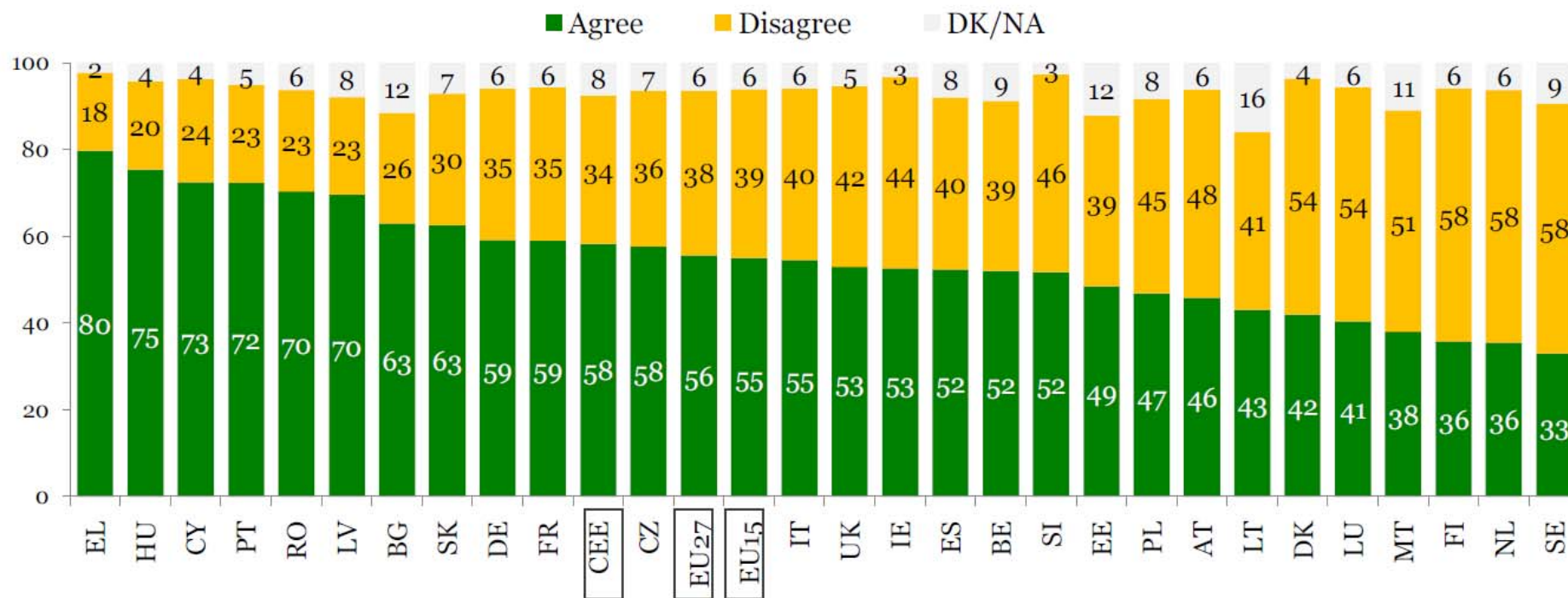
The quality of life in Central and Eastern European countries has improved considerably since 1989



Q2. Now, I would like to ask you to evaluate the overall impact of these changes.
Would you agree or disagree with the following statements?
Base: all respondents, % by country

Perceptions: who wins, who loses...

It has contributed to job losses in our country



Q3. Regarding the consequences of the integration of Central and Eastern European countries into the European Union, would you agree or disagree with the following statements?

Base: all respondents, % by country

Effects of ENP on integration of East European countries in the EU labour market?

Policy Recommendation

Literature

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