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Migration, drug use & treatment
Intertwinement and challenges for the near future

„Better practice“ – for migrants in drug aid institutions

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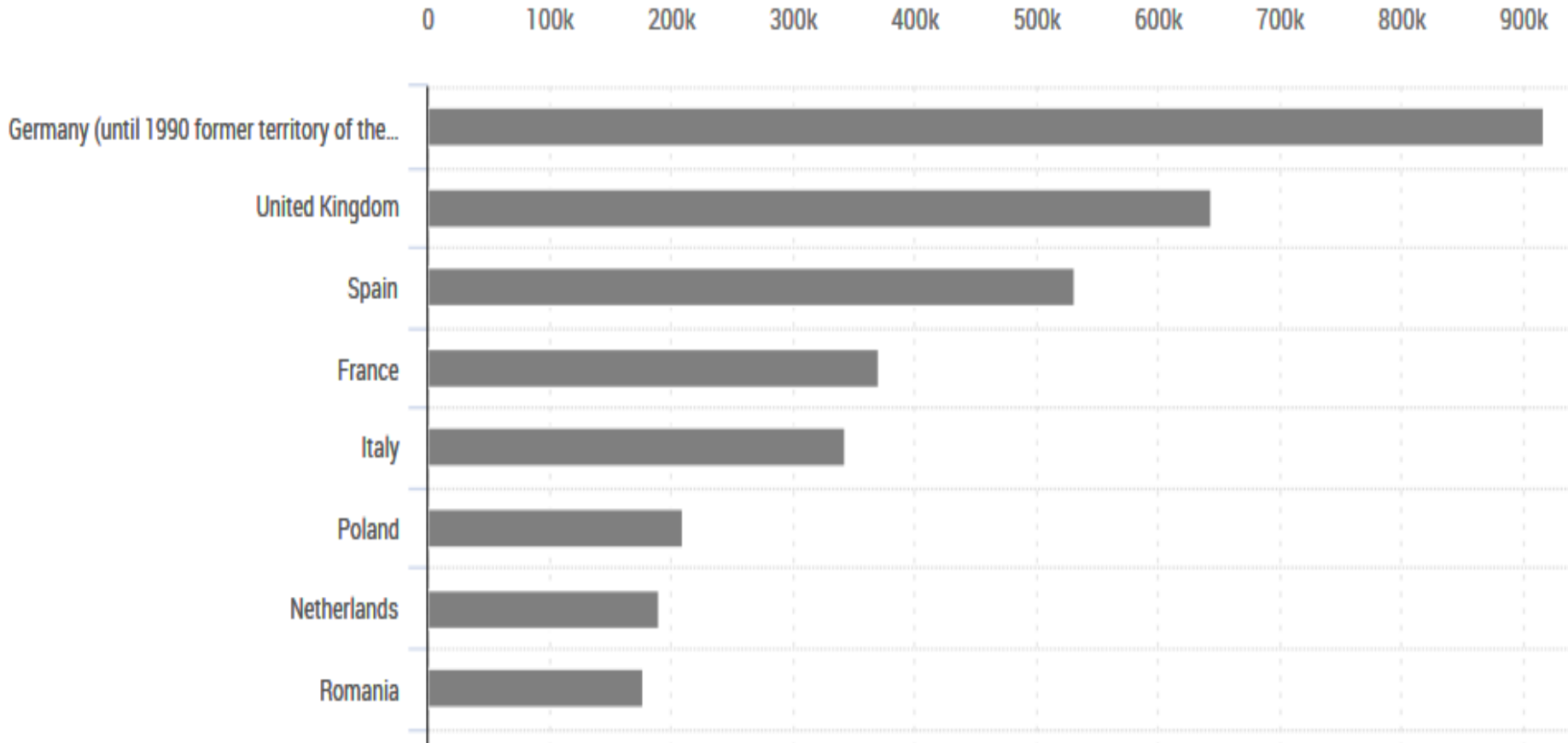
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Eurostat: Immigration 2017



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Prerequisites of accessible and successful treatment and counseling interventions



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1. Access barriers have to be identified and overcome:

- language barrier
- lack of information
- culture-bound differences in concepts of health, disease, healing, substance use, counseling a.s.o.

(symmetrical barriers)



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2. Conceptualisation of treatments has to address the specific critical condition following migration



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3. Systemic discrimination to the disadvantage of migrants
must be prevented



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4. Principles of intercultural communication have to be considered



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For if it were proposed to all nations to choose which seemed best of all customs, each, after examination, would place its own first; so well is each convinced that its own are by far the best. ... So firmly rooted are these beliefs; and it is, I think, rightly said in Pindar's poem that custom is lord of all.

Herodot, Histories, 3, 38



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5. Continuous reflection on the cultural background of professional principles and interactive interchange with migrants organizations has to be put into practice.



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Integration means renewal

