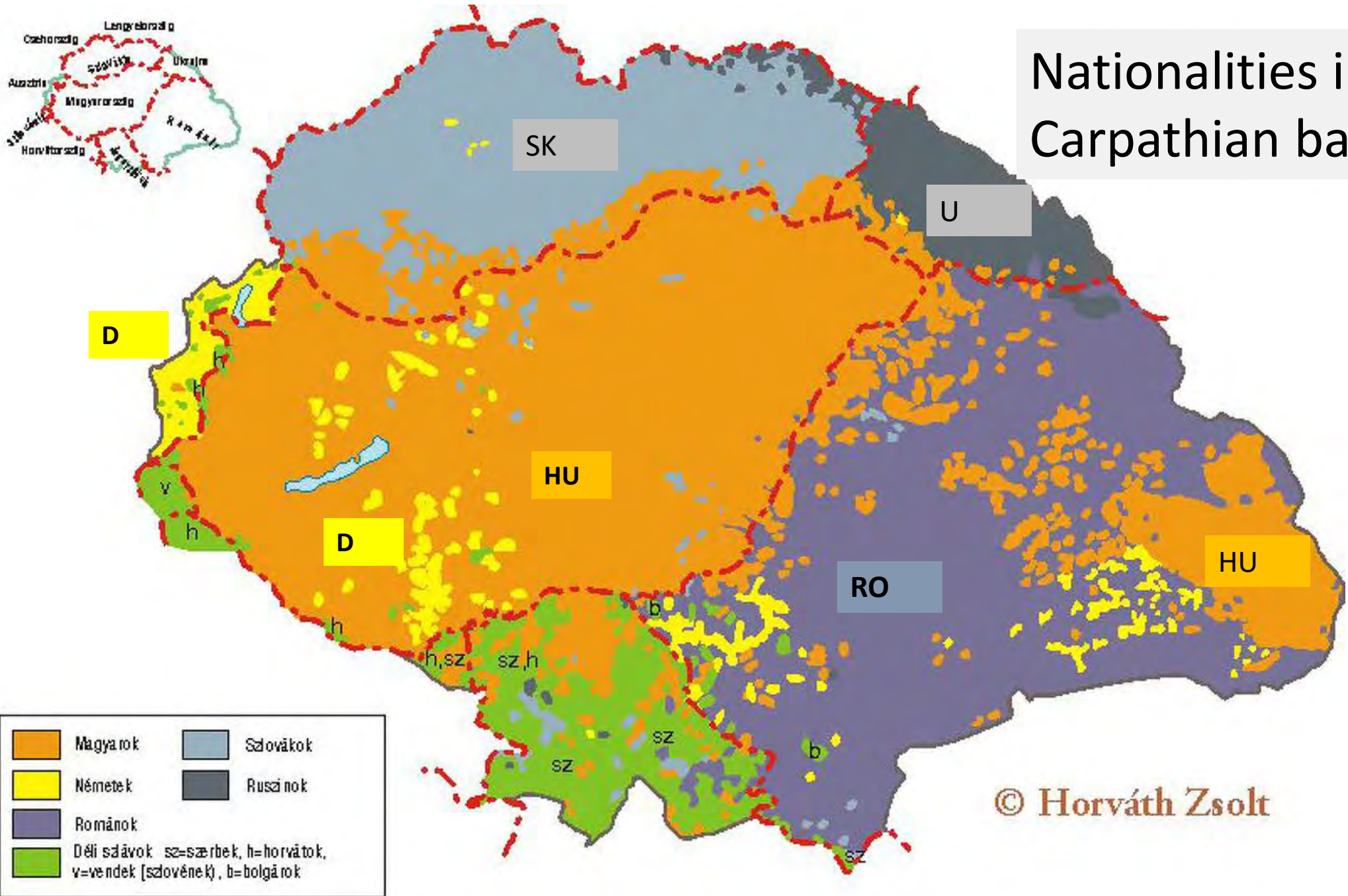


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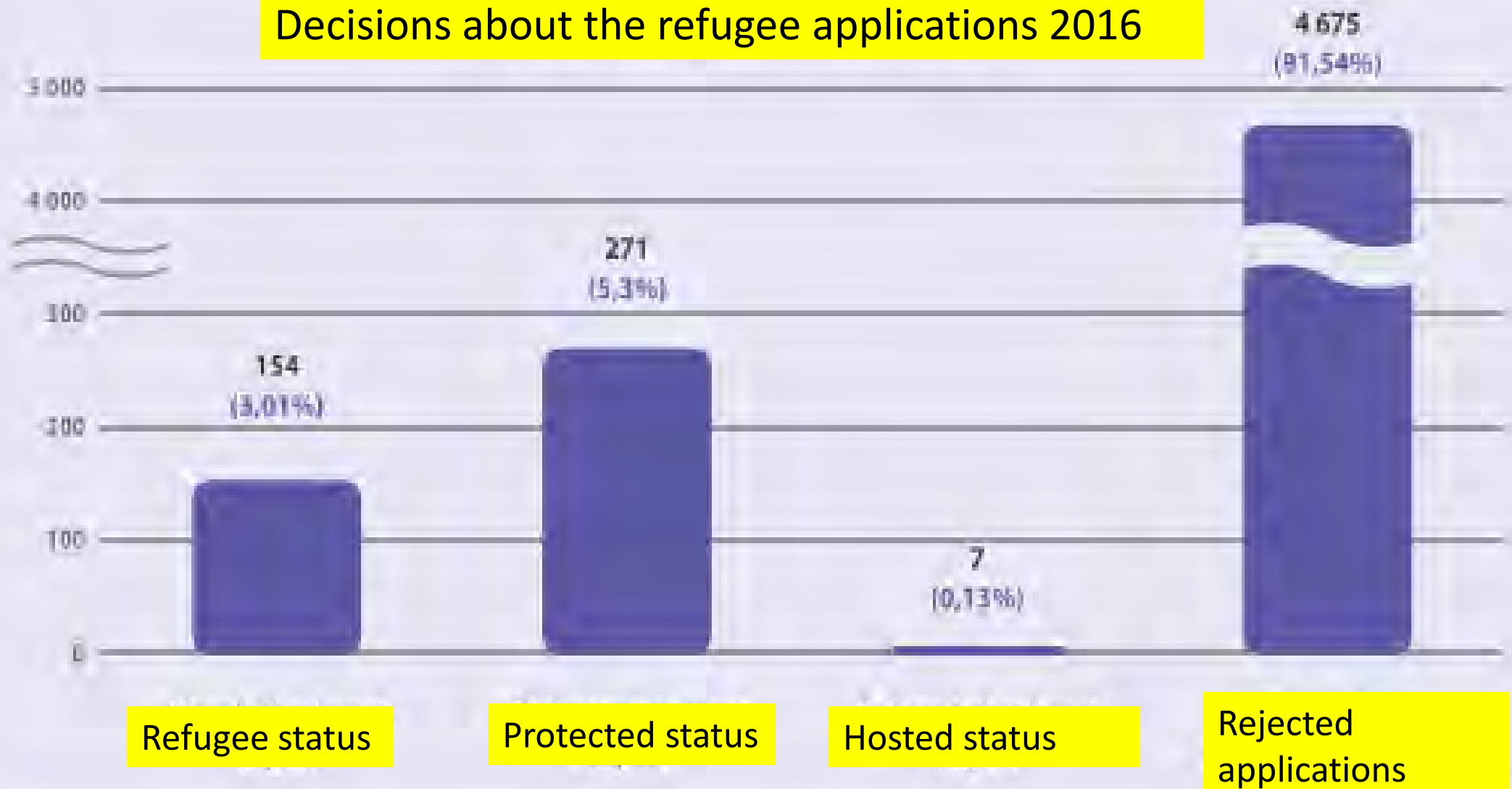
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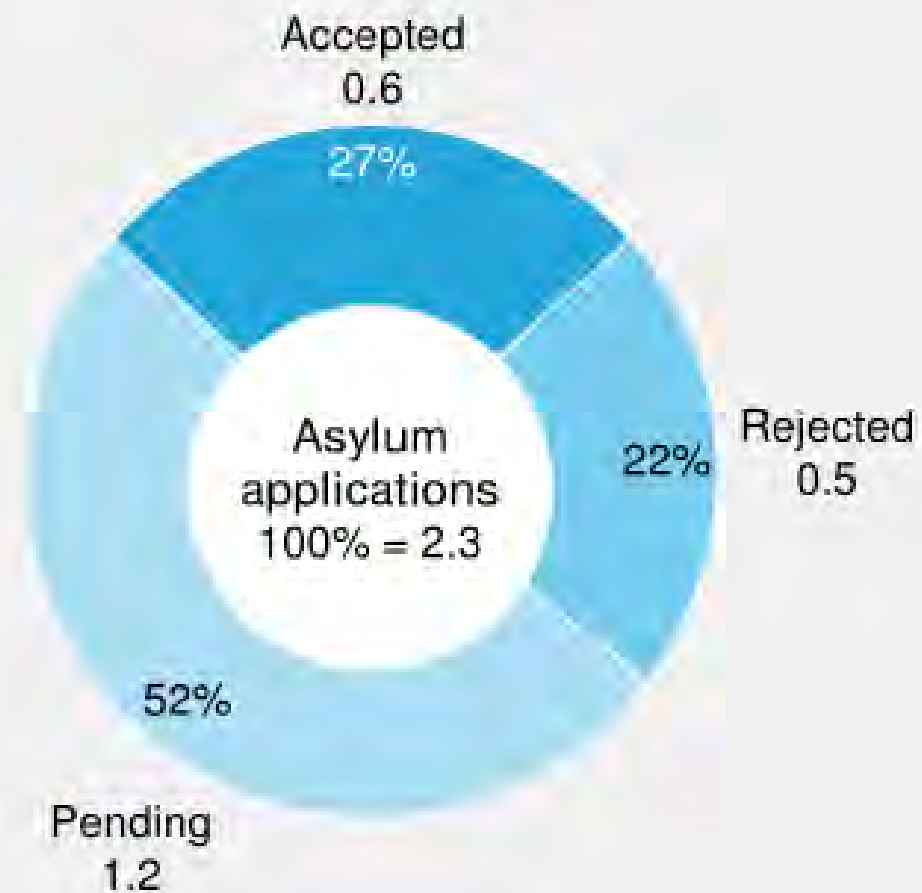
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Decisions about the refugee applications 2016



New asylum applications in Europe since the start of 2015 (estimates)¹

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Homes for minors

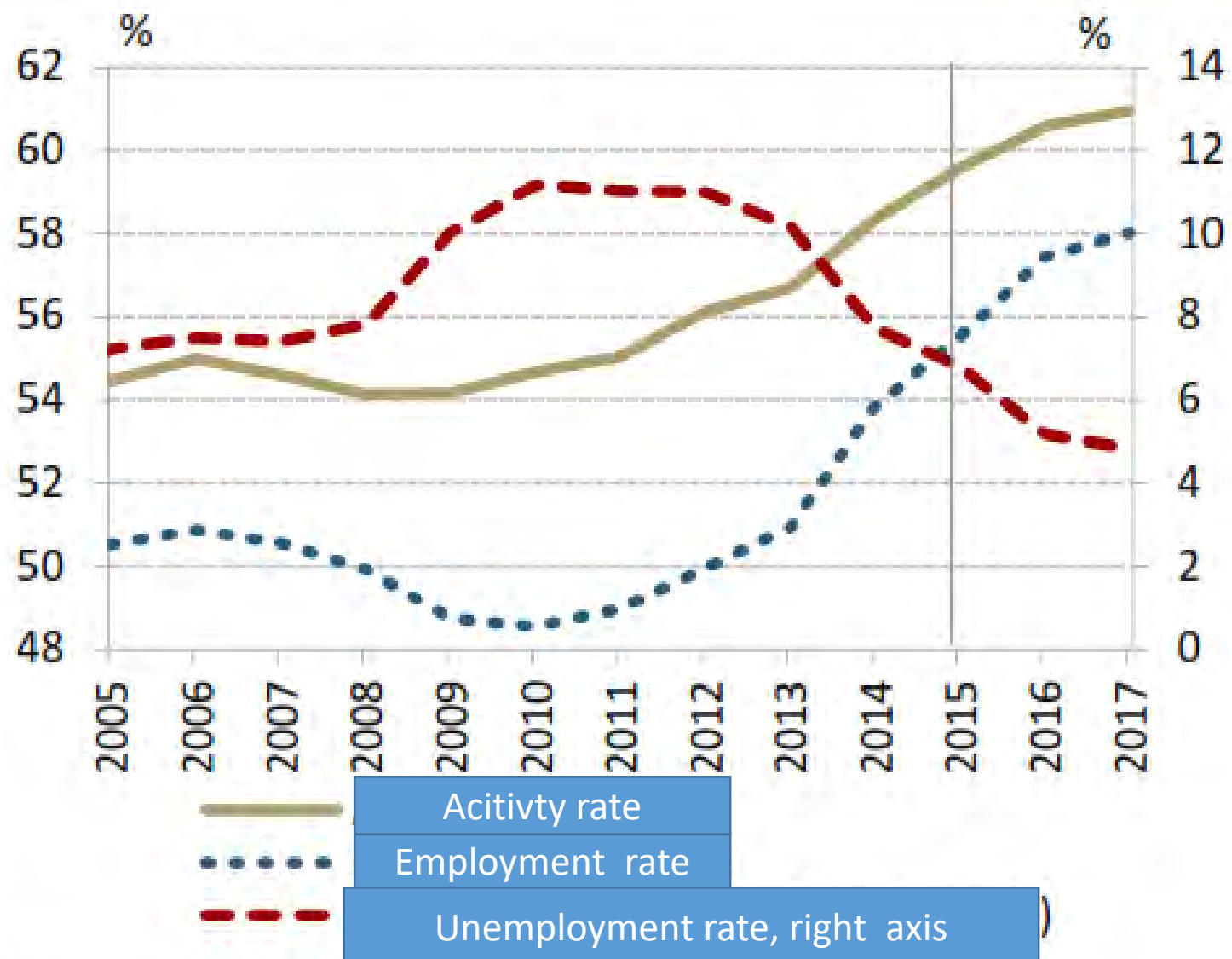
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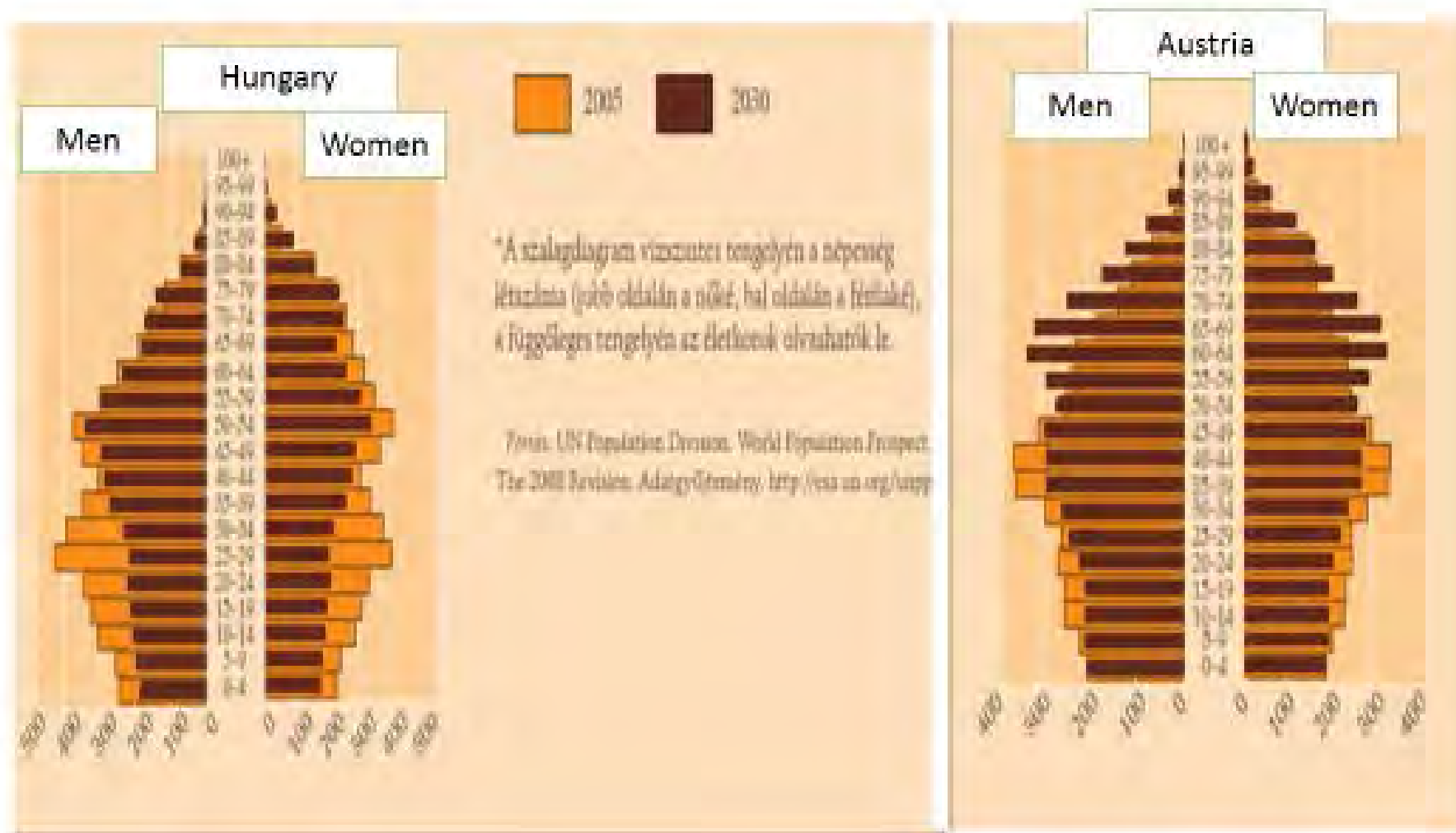


Employment, unemployment and activity rate in Hungary



Forrás: KSH- adatok alapján MNB-számítás

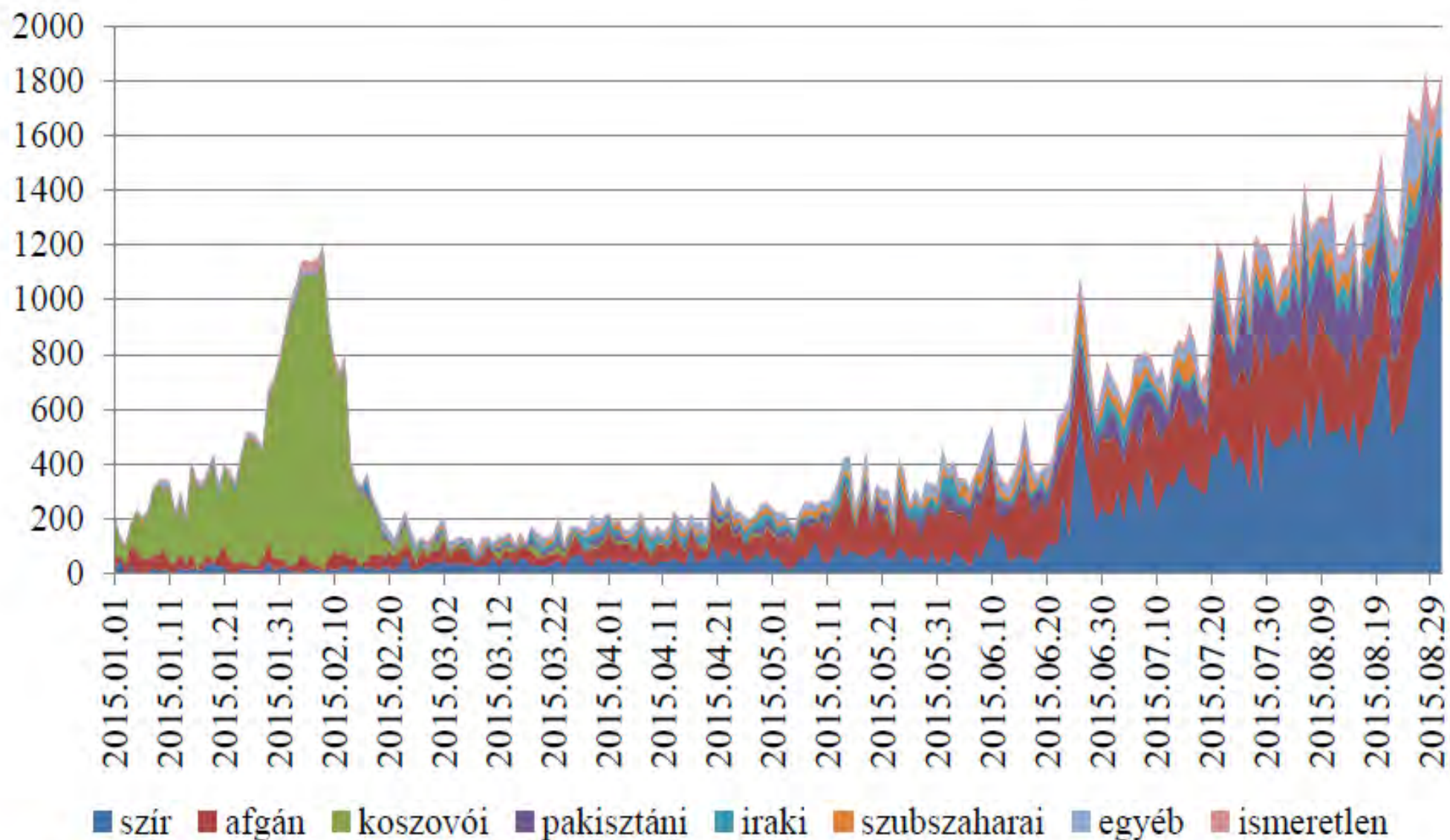
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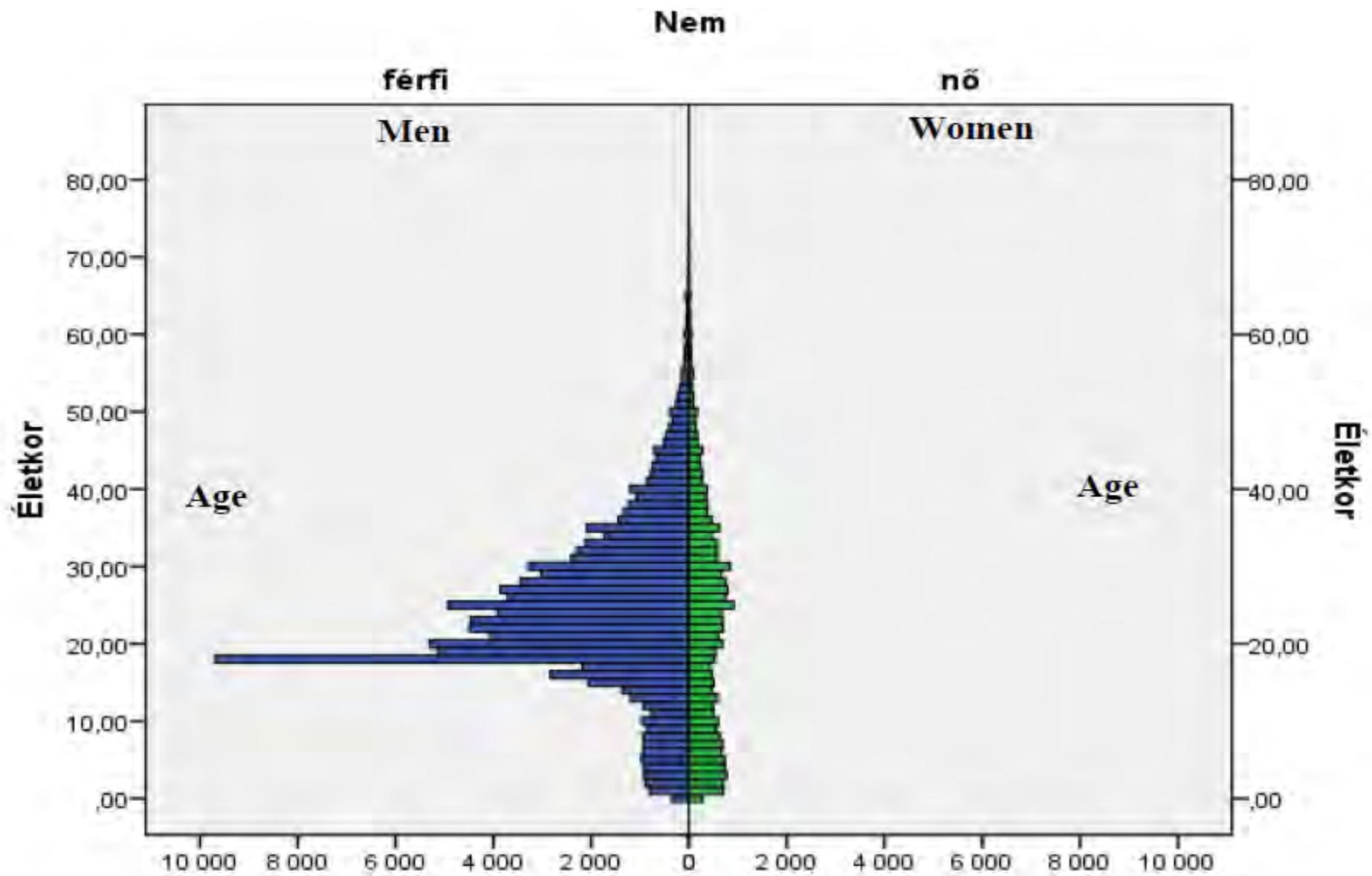
Proposal of the biggest Hungarian employers association for the solution of the labour shortage

- A targeted program is needed for the involvement into the labor market of educated workers, **suitable for cultural integration.**
- The recommended best practice is that of Poland with 1,5 million foreign workers from the Ukraine on the labour market,
- For Hungary it would mean proportionately 250 thousand Ukrainian migrant workers in employment.

Change of daily registration by citizenship



Demographic characteristics



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Conclusions of the expert panel



- the 2015 mass migration flow into Hungary **did not provide any additional manpower supply for the country**
- the (non) existing government institutions are **not capable to manage the incoming migration flow** for the benefit of the local labour market
- migration is **not only an external threat, but also an opportunity** because of the
 - unresolved imbalances on the domestic (Hungarian) labor market
 - the imbalances in the demographic structure of the population
- **the economic and labor market advantages** of inward migration should not be neglected
- **an active migration policy is needed with**
 - a reevaluated, far seeing, balanced approach,
 - utilising European best practices,

The response of government related think tanks for the proposals of Academy of Sciences

- Migration to Europe is dominated by economic motives and migrants are represented predominantly by economic migrants
- Economic migration is proved to be for Europe a threat and not an opportunity
- The recent proposals (plans) of the EU Commission concerning the integration of refugees is posing a risk for the functioning of the EEU labourmarket
- The solution for Hungary is
 - to increase the birth rate among Hungarian nationals,
 - to increase wages paid to Hungarians (in Hungary) and
 - to improve the efficiency of local training and of local educational institutions
 - to make attractive the return of Hungarians working abroad

Trade union considerations aiming a labour friendly environment for both local and migrant workers

- increase the minimum wage in Hungary to the level of the costs of minimum standard of living
- reduce the gap between the level of salaries in Hungary and of those in the main target countries of Hungarian mobile workers
- support the vocational training of low skilled local workers
- accelerate the frequency and efficiency of labour supervision
 - to reduce the high occupational accident rate of local workers and
 - to reduce the frequency of undeclared work
- restore trade union bargaining and participation rights on both company and branch level

Net wages in PPPs

