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Position Paper

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**Portfolio**: Australia

Why migrate to other countries? Why not try and make a future in your own?

This is the major question on which I want to first elaborate. Due to many reasons, some countries are less develop than others. This the main reason why immigration rate in some countries is high. Australia itself has found that 6 out of every thousand people in Australia have migrated from other countries with a annual average of 534,100 migrants each year.

Migrants who have recently moved to Australia are the people who are suffering most by this pandemic

It is right that our collective concerns are first and foremost for people who are at [greater risk of dying](https://www.theverge.com/2020/3/11/21173157/coronavirus-health-effects-age-covid-risk-diabetes-hypertension-disease-isolation) from COVID-19. However, we must also recall that this pandemic is also on track to exacerbate the vulnerabilities of some of the [272 million international migrants](https://publications.iom.int/system/files/pdf/wmr_2020_en_ch_2.pdf) worldwide. [Persons displaced internally and across borders](https://www.unhcr.org/statistics/unhcrstats/5d08d7ee7/unhcr-global-trends-2018.html) are particularly at risk - and the majority of the world's 25.9 million refugees and 41.3 million internally displaced persons are in [developing countries](https://gisanddata.maps.arcgis.com/apps/opsdashboard/index.html#/bda7594740fd40299423467b48e9ecf6) that are only starting now to be affected by the pandemic.

Labor has called for Australia's immigration program to be overhauled and curtailed in the wake of the coronavirus pandemic.

Australian ministers have made it pretty clear that we do not want migrants to come in the same numbers as they came before the pandemic.

The delegate of Australia believes that the post-corona immigrants are the key to bringing back the country’s economy and the delegate also believes that for a few years the immigration rate shall be lowered in order to first restore the jobs of the citizens.