

# Bulgarian Historical Review

Издание на Института за исторически изследвания при БАН

Bulgarian Historical Review, L (2022) 1-2, 129  
ISSN 0204-8906

---

*Ventsislav Muchinov*\*

## The Immigration Policy of Bulgaria in the Period 1944–1989

(Abstract)

The article outlines the main directions in the immigration policy of socialist Bulgaria in the period 1944-1989 and analyzes the consequences of this policy with regard to the demographic and socio-economic development of the country. For this purpose, it examines the measures taken by the new government aimed at: support and accommodate the Bulgarian refugees and migrants who arrived after September 9, 1944 from the Aegean, Macedonia and the Western Outskirts; reception and assistance of political immigrants and refugees from Greece, Yugoslavia, Korea and the Middle East seeking asylum in Bulgaria; attracting students and workers from socialist countries and the so-called developing countries in Asia, Africa and Latin America.

**Keywords:** socialist Bulgaria, immigration, immigration policy, refugees, political immigrants

---

\* *Ventsislav Muchinov* is Associate Professor, PhD at the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Institute for Population and Human Studies, Acad. Georgi Bonchev Str., Bl. 6, 1113 Sofia, Bulgaria. E-mail: [vencim\\_80@abv.bg](mailto:vencim_80@abv.bg).