

Peer Review

Review of: "The Inter-Factor Zone: A Transitional Phase Between Push and Pull Factors in Post-1968 Migration from Czechoslovakia to Switzerland"

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The article "The Inter-Factor Zone: A Transitional Phase Between Push and Pull Factors in Post-1968 Migration from Czechoslovakia to Switzerland" represents a substantial contribution to migration studies, introducing the innovative concept of the 'inter-factor zone.' This notion significantly enhances our understanding of the complexities inherent in migration decision-making processes by highlighting a transitional phase that extends beyond the traditional frameworks of push and pull factors.

While the article excels in its innovative approach and meticulous methodology, a few revisions could enhance its suitability for publication in a prestigious academic journal:

Firstly, it would be beneficial for the authors to expand the discussion on the limitations of their research. Specifically, reflecting on potential biases introduced by the selective memory of participants and the sample selection process would increase the transparency and credibility of the study.

Secondly, the article could benefit from a deeper analysis of the role of transit countries in migration. A detailed examination of how policies and socio-economic conditions in these countries influence migrants' decisions would provide valuable insights for shaping migration policy.

Thirdly, integrating additional theoretical frameworks, such as migration network theories and studies on the role of randomness in migration trajectories, would strengthen the theoretical foundation of the study and offer a richer context for understanding the 'inter-factor zone.'

Declarations

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