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and EU levels to remove the bureaucratic barriers to temporary mobility, especially for low-skilled migrants.

The study conducted with policy-makers, scholars and NGOs revealed that Ukraine needs to develop a strategy for migration policies that would define its objectives, tools and resources for implementation. The interviewees thought that a particular challenge in updating the migration legislation is the adoption of a new version of the law on labour migration and a uniform law on immigration, which would unite the legal provisions scattered in many areas of current legislation. To overcome the social exclusion of immigrants, there is a need to create public discourses fostering a positive perception of foreign arrivals in Ukrainian society. There is also a need for a policy of reintegration of Ukrainian emigrants to save the social capital acquired in the country of origin as a source of further development.

Above all, Ukraine needs to overcome institutional fragmentation in the creation and implementation of a migration policy. It is important to transform the State Migration Service into a unique, specialised central executive body with local subdivisions which would perform a full range of administrative functions in the field of migration: controlling the entry and sojourn of foreigners, carrying out constant monitoring and analysis of migrants' mobility, and making and implementing legal proposals and management tasks (Malynovska, 2005). A promising version of the modernisation of Ukrainian society and the state would be to engage the social capital formed at the intersection of migration flows from, to and through Ukraine.

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