Summary

The paper deals with current issues related to migration and integration of foreigners in the changes of globalization. It presents approaches to migration and asylum within the international community and European integration, and the resulting consequences for the Slovak Republic. The first part of the paper deals with basic requirements that foreigners should meet when entering the Schengen area, adopted legislation which covers their stay permit and overview of lodged requests for international protection in Slovak Republic. The second part shows the evolution of the right to asylum from historical concept to the modern way of protection in international law on basis of international conventions within the United Nations and regional development in the European Union. The third part shows the evolution of asylum policy within European Union, its institutional background and introduces the Common European Asylum System. The purpose of the paper is to explore major legal standards of European Union law that regulate the residence of aliens and asylum issues.

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