Program "Professional Training": Another measure of buying social peace?

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About the programme

- Implemented by Ministry of Education
- Since 2013.
- Open to all people who have obtained Bachelor degree and are in the base of unemployed by National Employment Agency
- Duration of 9 months
- Provides opportunity for taking an exam necessary for working in the field
- Participants get 50% of the average salary on national level



Program implemented over 7 years

36 267 participants

Approximately 60 million invested

Season	Number of registered working places	Number of registered sudents	Number of final participants
2019.	11 005	3 447	3 298
2018.	10 029		3 055
2017.	9 173	3 439	3 274
2016.	9 014	3 452	3 452
2015.	6 930	3 458	3 458
2014	5 800	3 744	3 744
2013.	5 317	4 211	4 211

Financial allocations for employment measures for youth

	2013.	2014.	2015.	2016.	2017.
National Employment Agency	/	/	251 396	436 308	415 000
Ministry of Education	10 mil	9 mil	8.5 mil	8.5 mil	<u>8 000 000</u>
Ministry of Sports	/	/	/	/	4 512
Ministry of Agriculture	/	/	/	/	436 703
Investment and Development Fund	/	4 262	25 665	76 682	115 895
Total	10 414 384	9 505 537	9 755 885	9 604 047	9 457 044

Questionable benefits of the programme

- Affects employability of graduates
- 50% graduates continued to work for the same entity
- Advertised working places to serve as an input for educational policy

- Technical irregularities
- Lack of monitoring of the implementation
- Free labor force for employers. *Incentive not to create actual job posts?*
- Does not include measures for tackling regional youth migration
- Lack of evaluation?

Social policy measure or measure for buying social peace?