

Brexit: Brain Drain of Europeans and Brain Grains of Asians

Brexit opened the question whether the UK will continue to attract internationals. Here the focus is on academic staff – a critical component of “War for Talents” discourse and current geopolitics in the field. Despite a clear trend of loss of EU internationals, at least from western EU countries, UK more than compensates for this fall with extra-EU internationals, especially from Asia. However, the most notable effect is about average quality of such talents (in this study: salaries at parity of age). Brexit is lessening the capacity to attract/retain the best academics, especially from those countries that perform better (i.e., GDP per capita, R&D investment, but also national ranking in tolerance and creative class scores). Overall, Brexit is favoring UK’s competitors at its own detriment, cutting through a long-term pattern of success.



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