



Migration for Sustainable Development

Advancing safe, orderly and regular migration in Türkiye



Our mandate in Türkiye

With a presence since 1991 and as one of IOM's largest missions worldwide, IOM Türkiye supports the Government in promoting safe, orderly and regular migration. In a country at the crossroads of international migration and hosting one of the world's largest migrant populations, IOM Türkiye contributes unique migration governance expertise, operational capacity and mobility data to the UN Country Team. Its programmes advance protection, resilience, health, livelihoods, border management, disaster preparedness and evidence-based policymaking, aligned with Türkiye's priorities and the UNSDCF 2026–2030.

Our impact

IOM Türkiye advances sustainable development by connecting protection, health, livelihoods, climate resilience and regular migration pathways for migrants, refugees and host communities.

Across Türkiye, IOM makes migration safer, healthier and more development-oriented through health and psychosocial support, protection referrals, formal employment opportunities, resettlement, family reunification and evidence-based migration governance. In coordination with national institutions, local actors, donors and UN partners, its programmes connect immediate assistance with longer-term solutions, helping reduce vulnerabilities, strengthen community resilience and expand dignified options for people on the move.

Flagship Programmes

- Protection and Resilience: Health, protection, shelter, WASH and cash assistance strengthen resilience for people on the move and crisis-affected communities.
- Solutions and Regular Pathways: Return, resettlement, family reunification, labour mobility and movement support expand safe, dignified and regular migration options.
- Migration Governance and Data: Policy advice, inter-institutional coordination, border management and migration data contribute to strengthened, rights-based and evidence-informed migration governance in Türkiye.

Our priorities in Türkiye

Expand Regular Pathways: IOM facilitates safe, orderly and regular migration through resettlement, family reunification, pre-migration health services, labour mobility and movement assistance.

Protect People on the Move: IOM delivers protection, health, shelter, WASH and cash-based assistance to reduce risks and improve access to essential services for migrants, refugees and crisis-affected communities.

Solutions to Displacement: Through voluntary return, resettlement, local integration and reintegration support, IOM expands dignified and sustainable options for people affected by displacement.

Promote Labour Inclusion: By strengthening access to formal employment, entrepreneurship and skills-based opportunities, IOM helps migrants, refugees and host communities contribute to inclusive local economic development.

Advance Evidence-Based Migration Governance: Through migration data, policy expertise, border management support and coordination mechanisms, IOM supports the continued strengthening of rights-based, evidence-informed migration governance in Türkiye.

Delivering migration expertise in support of inclusive, resilient and sustainable development.

Contributing SDGs



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