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Thousands of displaced people in northwestern Syria are receiving shelters, water, and access to basic services

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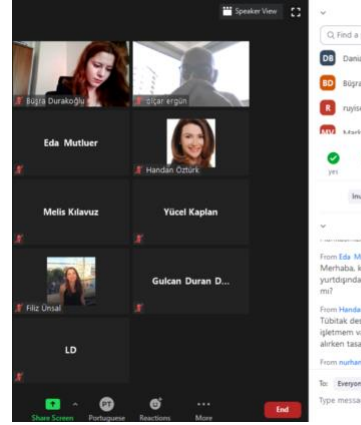
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A merchant's vessel helped to rescue 155 migrants from a motor yacht which was stranded at sea due to severe weather conditions in Çeşme district. During search and rescue operations, two Afghan migrants were reported missing.



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An IOM supported Child Protection and First Evaluation Center was opened by the governor of Şanlıurfa. The center was jointly rehabilitated by IOM and CARE.



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IOM in cooperation with the Directorate General of International Labour Force organized an online training to educate consultants working in the 'SME Strengthen and Support Program' about 'Government Support and Incentives'.



How soup kitchens are bringing people in need together in Turkey

Funded by German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), Ireland (Irish Aid) and the US Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration (BPRM) World Food Programme (WFP) the Soup Kitchen project is being coordinated by GIZ PEP-Promotion of Economic Prospects Programme and IOM. Between July and December 2020 approximately 11,500 hot meals will be cooked and distributed every day in 7 provinces for vulnerable refugees and Turkish nationals. In addition, the project aims to enhance both employability and access to labour markets for vulnerable refugees and Turkish nationals.

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A member of IOM's mobile teams helping disembark migrants rescued at the sea by Turkish Coast Guard. ©IOM 2020/Bekir Erdinç

VIDEO: SOLAR DRYING PROJECT



IOM in collaboration with Viranşehir Governorship established a solar drying project to help female seasonal agricultural workers from the host and refugee communities earn an income.

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National outlets [Hürriyet](#), [BirGün](#) and [Haber3](#) covered the “Şişli Social Kitchen” project conducted jointly by GIZ, WFP, IOM and seven municipalities in Turkey to increase migrants’ integration both economically and socially.

[BBC](#), [TGRT Haber](#), [Beyaz Gazete](#) and [Arti49](#) published the joint call of UNHCR, IOM and ICS about the immediate disembarkation of 27 migrants rescued by transport ship Maersk Etienne in the Mediterranean.

National [Yeni Asır](#), [En Son Haber](#) and [Beyaz Gazete](#) reported that 157 migrants rescued by a commercial ship close to the Greek island of Amorgas, were brought to Cesme pier where IOM distributed food and addressed

their immediate needs.

National [Yeni Asir](#) covered that 236 irregular immigrants trying to go to Greece on 6 inflatable boats were caught by the Turkish Coast Guard. The food and beverage need of the immigrants were met by the IOM in Cesme pier, Izmir.

Local outlets [Sanliurfa Olay](#), [Malatya Guncel](#) and [Gazete Ipekyol](#) covered the establishment of Child Protection Unit jointly supported by the IOM, Sanliurfa Governor and CARE Turkey.

National [Haberler](#), [Yeni Asya](#) and [Ulusal Kanal](#) covered the opening of the free laundry facility that has been established in cooperation with Adana Metropolitan Municipality and the IOM to serve asylum seekers and low-income community members in the city.

IOM Turkey Project Senior Program Coordinator Torsten Haschenz, Southeast and Mediterranean Regional Director Rex Alamban and the accompanying delegation's visit to the governor of Adana covered in the [Governorate website](#).

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