

UKRAINE CRISIS RESPONSE

INTERVENTION OVERVIEW 20 JUNE 2022



IOM 2022 (Photo: Mihai Eremia)

HIGHLIGHTS

7.5M refugees

fled Ukraine into neighboring countries since 24th of February 2022

1,236,711

people entered Romania from Ukraine since 24th of February 2022

89,784 Ukrainians

residing in Romania since 24th of February 2022

37,084 Ukrainians

registered with temporary protection
As of 8th of June 2022

SITUATION OVERVIEW

The war in Ukraine has triggered one of the largest humanitarian crises on record with over **7.1M people displaced** in the country and another **7.5M refugees fleeing across borders,** including **245,000 third country nationals (TCNs)** in the past two months.

Of neighbouring countries, Romania has the second highest influx, with more than **1.2 million people entering** from Ukraine since 24th of February, out of which approx. **89,784 are residing in Romania.**

The government's response to the Ukraine crisis was coordinated by a high-level decision-making Task Force, under the coordination of the Prime Minister; an operational Task Force - "Ukraine Commission" was set up to oversee the activities of ministries involved in managing the flow of people fleeing the conflict in different areas of intervention.

The Strategic Coordination Group on Humanitarian Aid was also set up to organize the framework for humanitarian response and to facilitate cooperation between the Government, UN agencies, civil society and other relevant stakeholders at national, European and international levels.

IOM Romania was part of The Strategic Coordination Group from the outset, providing expertise and resources and ensuring a link between the authorities, civil society and beneficiaries.

At the same time, IOM Romania continued to provide direct assistance, counseling and information, to people fleeing the conflict in Ukraine.

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PRIORITIES

PARTNERSHIPS AND COORDINATION

IOM is working and will continue to work closely with partner agencies to ensure robust coordination during the implementation of all proposed activities, including UN agencies, international and local organizations, civil-society, and government counterparts.

IOM Romania presence:

- Bucharest—main office and one additional office space open for providing assistance to Ukrainians
- **Timisoara** Sub-office (including the Emergency Transit Center)
- Iași Sub-office (covering also Suceava, Vaslui, Botosani, Galati counties)
- Brasov Sub-office
- Cluj-Napoca Sub-office (covering also Maramures, Tg Mures, Bistrita Nasăud, Sibiu counties)
- Bucharest, Craiova, Constanţa, lasi,
 Galaţi Implementing Partners









IOM Romania coordinates closely with central and local authorities to provide support depending on the identified needs, including capacity building activities.

Main stakeholders:

- Romanian Government The Strategic Coordination Group on Humanitarian Aid
- Government's Department for Emergency Situations (DSU)
- Ministry of Interior General Inspectorate for Immigration
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- General Inspectorate of Border Police (IGPF)
- National Agency Against Trafficking in Persons
- National Agency for Equality between Women and men
- Ministry of Labour

IOM Romania, in partnership with non-governmental organizations, and authorities is providing direct assistance to both Ukrainians and TCNs. The assistance is provided in line with the 360° approach.

Implementing Partners (IP) & Cooperation agreement:

- Schottener Foundation Social Services Bucharest
- AIDRom The Ecumenical Association of Churches in Romania in lasi and Galati
- Global Help Association in Craiova (Dolj county), and also covering Ramnicu Valcea (Valcea county), Slatina (Olt county)
- The Civic Resource Center in Constanța (covering also Tulcea county)
- Bucharest Municipality
- Cluj–Napoca Municipality
- Social Assistance Directorate Cluj-Napoca

PRIORITIES

SENTINEL NETWORK

The network currently consists of twenty-four (24) Ukrainian-English/Romanian speakers that are able to provide interpreting services, as well as convey relevant information Ukrainians and other third country nationals fleeing the conflict in locations key throughout Romania, including border crossing points (BCPs), transit and reception centers, etc.

They may also avail interpretation and cultural mediation for both Ukrainian and other TCNS in the course of registration, residency and related application processes.

The base of the network consists of existing volunteers who supported local authorities and other relevant stakeholders since the beginning of the conflict.

All persons that are part of the sentinel network will be trained by IOM staff in areas such as: protection and safe referrals, legal framework applicable to conflict affected-population.



360° ASSISTANCE

- Information and counselling
- Housing/shelter
- Protection
- Mental Health and Psycho-social Support
- Health assistance
- Cash based interventions (CBI)
- Non-food items (NFIs)
- Education/Language
- Employment/Access to labour market
- Socio-cultural activities
- Transport

IOM 360° APPROACH IN PROVIDING SUPPORT



PRIORITIES

360° ASSISTANCE



Information - Being informed is a crucial part of you being safe and comfortable. IOM can provide you with relevant, current information and options regarding your stay in Romania. This is available at our premises or through mobile teams that may travel in several cities across Romania.



Housing & Shelter - In partnership with Airbnb.org, IOM is providing safe, private and accessible accommodation to individuals and families who fled Ukraine, for up to 30 days.



Counseling - Our counselors work with you on an individual basis taking into consideration, your specific needs and circumstances. They support you in assessing available options, services and assistance for you.



Protection - We take any protection concerns you have or may be experiencing seriously. IOM's protection specialists operate with utmost sensitivity, care and confidentiality. IOM can support you with protection and tailored assistance to suit your needs, including but not limited to situations of trafficking in persons, gender- based violence, child protection, abuse, and/or exploitation.



Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS) - Access to support for mental health and psychosocial wellbeing are offered by IOM. We provide individual and group counselling, as well as a variety of activities to support you.



Health assistance - The IOM medical team place any medical needs you may have at the heart of assistance provided, alongside addressing any specific health concerns and providing diagnostic assistance. IOM's health assistance, includes medical evaluations, recommendations, prescriptions for medication, and referrals to specialists.



Cash Based Intervention (CBI) if you are in need of cash, you may receive cash through our CBI activities. The support is provided based on an assessment realized by our counselors.



Non Food Items (NFI) if you require material support, you can receive non-food items, for a limited period of time to meet your basic needs in a dignified manner.



Language courses - Language plays an important role in feeling confident in the host community. IOM organizes free Romanian language courses. You can learn the language through interactive in person courses, in small groups with specialized lecturers .



Employment/Access to labour market - Our counselors will support you in identifying suita- ble jobs for you and provide guidance and infor- mation about accessing the labour market, and your rights and obligations as an employee.



Socio-cultural activities - Starting a new chapter in life can often be challenging. Socio-cultural activities are designed to support you in feeling comfortable in your new environment. IOM Romania offers a wide range of recreational activities that will support you in meeting other people, visit different places around the city, interact with other cultures and learn more about Romania.



Transport - IOM is providing ground transportation for people fleeing Ukraine, from the Ukrainian border with Moldova to Romania. IOM may also support with transportation within Romania for persons moving into another city.