

# BORDER AND MIGRATION MANAGEMENT POLICY



## IOM's Immigration and Border Management Division

The International Organization for Migration's (IOM) Immigration and Border Management (IBM) Division offers guidance and expertise to States aspiring to improve their border and migration management procedures. To do so, IOM assists its Member States in reviewing and revising national and regional border management policies to better address border-related issues and ensure compliance with international standards.

IOM assesses Member States' policy and legal frameworks and offers recommendations to institutionalize optimal border management practices in line with national and international regulations and context-specific best practices.

## IOM'S BORDER MANAGEMENT POLICY SUPPORT

IOM provides Member States with policy-related assistance in assessing, revising and developing:



Strategic documents



Legal and policy frameworks



National and institutional action plans



Institutional frameworks



Processes and procedures



Introducing best practices

## SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



**Target 10.7:** Facilitate orderly, safe, regular and responsible migration and mobility of people, including through the implementation of planned and well-managed migration policies.

## GLOBAL COMPACT FOR MIGRATION



**Objective 7:** Address and reduce vulnerabilities in migration.

**Objective 11:** Manage borders in an integrated, secure and coordinated manner.

**Objective 23:** Strengthen international cooperation and global partnerships for safe, orderly and regular migration.

## EXAMPLES OF IOM POLICY-RELATED ACTIVITIES IN THE FIELD OF IMMIGRATION AND BORDER MANAGEMENT

IOM conducts policy reviews and develops recommendations for Member States to allow for more effective, efficient and appropriate **border management and security** practices.

In promoting **integrated border management**, IOM provides Member States with targeted technical assistance to strengthen the operational capability of national border management agencies and ensure harmonization of policy across agencies and neighbouring countries.

IOM provides Member States with technical assistance and policy guidance in planning and implementing **regularization** procedures, and ensuring that regularization procedures are carried out in accordance with international law and best practices.

To promote **alternatives to immigration detention**, IOM provides governments with policy development support, including reviews of existing legislation and policies on the practice, as well

as advice on legislative reforms to limit migrant detention and improve migrants' living conditions.

IOM assists Member States in building robust migration and border management programmes complemented by appropriate policies, laws, procedures and information systems to implement **humanitarian border management** in instances of increased cross-border movements as a result of crises.

IOM's **counter-migrant smuggling** activities include legal and policy framework review to ensure national laws and policies focus on prosecuting migrant smugglers without criminalizing the migrant.

IOM provides assistance with policy development related to the collection of **travellers' data**, as well as data management, intelligence gathering, information-sharing and conducting context-specific risk analyses to shape evidence-based migration and border policies.

