

MICIC

**Save Lives.
Increase Protection.
Decrease Vulnerability.
Improve Response.**

MIGRANTS IN COUNTRIES IN CRISIS INITIATIVE



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the Philippines and the United States

Why Migrants?

Specific Vulnerabilities and Circumstances

- Pre-existing vulnerabilities
 - Unable to leave the country in crisis
 - Unwilling to leave the country in crisis
 - Unable to access humanitarian assistance
- Unable or unwilling to return to country of origin
- Subjected to discrimination, targeted attacks, or exploitation

Scope of MICIC Initiative

Which Crises?

Conflict

and/or

Natural
Disasters

≠ Economic

≠ Employment

≠ Other

Which Migrants?

In country when crisis hits
Temporarily or permanently
Regardless of legal status
≠ Not personal crises

Can include:

Migrant workers and families
Tourists, business travelers, students, and diplomats
Victims of human trafficking and smuggled persons
Marriage migrants

Outcomes will not replace existing frameworks or mechanisms

Which Phases?

Pre-Crisis

Emergency

Post-Crisis

= All Phases

MICIC Initiative Process

Through government-led, consultative process, will identify and examine:

- ▣ The issues and evidence base
- ▣ Roles and responsibilities of actors including:

Origin, Transit, and Host States

IOs

Private Sector incl.
Employers and Recruiters

Civil
Society

Migrants and
Diaspora

Regional
Actors

- ▣ Overarching principles, guidelines, and practical measures to better prepare for, respond to, and better protect the lives and rights and dignity of migrants caught in countries in crisis

What We Are Learning So Far

Data, tracking, and contact information on migrants

Respect for human and labor rights, and ethical recruitment

Standing arrangements on evacuation, consular assistance, coordination etc.

Contingency planning/DRR

Crisis alert systems

Evacuation and return services

Non-refoulement

Save lives

Emergency funds and insurance schemes

Open borders, humanitarian border management and temporary admission

Identification and Referral Systems

Re-migration and other mobility opportunities

Back pay, outstanding wages, return of property, remains

Services upon return - livelihood creation, health, psychosocial counselling

Looking Forward

IGC Plus
Permanent Representatives to the UN
Private Sector
Northern Africa and Middle East
Central and South America
East and Southern Africa



South, East and South-East Asia
Eastern Europe and Central Asia

West and Central Africa

Civil Society

International Organizations

**Launch:
Principles,
Guidelines,
Practices**

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The MICIC Secretariat would like to invite interested persons and entities to share their notable practices, tools and innovative ideas for protecting and assisting migrants in countries in crisis. Inputs will contribute to the initiative's knowledge gathering component.

As a consultative and collaborative process, the MICIC initiative will be collecting pertinent information from a variety of sources and through different processes as the basis to produce non-binding, voluntary Principles, Guidelines, and Effective Practices for all relevant stakeholders – governments, international organizations, civil society, the private sector and migrants themselves.


You can contribute toward the initiative by sharing your practice through our online form below or by filling in our [offline form](#)

Thank you for your contributions and support in this effort!

Name of Practice or Tool

Type of Stakeholder

- State
- International Organizations
- Private Sectors
- Migrants and the Diaspora
- Civil Society
- Regional Institutions
- Other

A high-angle photograph of three young children of Southeast Asian descent. The child on the left is a boy with dark hair, wearing a light blue patterned shirt, smiling broadly. The child in the center is a boy with dark hair, wearing an orange shirt, looking directly at the camera with a slight smile. The child on the right is a girl with dark hair, wearing a blue shirt, smiling. They are all looking towards the camera.

Help us protect the rights and dignity of
migrants caught in countries in crisis

Stay informed; join the discussion; generate knowledge