

# IOM - International Organization for Migration

## 1. Demographic and social statistics (IOM)

### 1.1 Population and migration (IOM)

#### 1) The IOM Global Human Trafficking Database

##### Description:

The International Organization for Migration (IOM) is using a unique tool to monitor the assistance and collect information on the victims of trafficking (VoTs) it assists. The IOM global human trafficking database is a global repository of only primary data on registered victims of trafficking (VoTs), and contains data on approximately nearly 16,000 registered victims of more than 85 different nationalities trafficked to more than 100 destination countries (December, 2010).

It is a standardized anti-trafficking data-management tool available to all IOM missions and is actively used throughout all regions of the world. Containing only primary information, this unique tool specifically facilitates the management of the whole IOM direct assistance, movement and reintegration process through a centrally managed system as well as mapping the victim's trafficking experience. The structure follows the format of the accompanying IOM VoT questionnaires, used by IOM missions and partnering organizations involved in direct assistance, and containing a wealth of information both of a quantitative and qualitative nature: the Screening Interview Form is intended to assess whether the individual is a victim of trafficking and thus eligible for an IOM's assistance project; and the Assistance Interview Form stands to track the nature of direct assistance given along with documenting further details of the trafficking experience.

##### Aims and ongoing activities:

While initially designed as a case management tool for IOM counter-trafficking direct assistance programmes, the system quickly demonstrated its added value to research. The aim of the database is to contribute to the general knowledge on trafficking in persons, trafficking trends and to help governments, research institutes as well as other institutions to better tailor CT policies and programmes. For more information please contact CTS-DB@iom.int.

#### 2) Central European Forum for Migration and Population Research, Poland

##### Aims:

- Conduct research in the field of international migration statistics;
- Contribute to the efforts towards more reliable and harmonized statistics on international migration.

##### Activities planned for 2011:

- Assembling data and conducting population projections, simulations and forecasts for NUTS2 regions in 31 countries of Europe covered by ESPON mandate, based on migration scenarios for these regions (DEMIFER);
- Conducting of data collection, estimation and population forecast by ethnicity of populations of the Russian Federation;
- Training and teaching in the area of international migration statistics.

#### 3) Extended Migration Profile in Moldova

##### Description:

Migration profile represents a framework for data collection and analysis in support of strategic policy planning at the national and regional levels. It will bring existing information from different sources together in a structured manner as a means to identify and develop strategies to address data and policy development needs. In order to be an effective information tool for policy making, the Migration Profile needs to be government-owned and updated regularly.

##### Aims:

Enhancing governmental capacities to more effectively manage migration by preparing country a Migration Profile (MP) which is to be used as a policy instrument to promote more comprehensive and proactive approaches.

- To enhance governmental knowledge about migration and its relationship to development;
- To support government in establishing mechanisms for regular reporting on migration-related trend;
- To improve the use of migration information for policy development;
- To foster greater inter-ministerial coordination and collaboration with respect to data collection and policy development.

##### Ongoing Activities:

- Finalization of the Data Assessment Report and drafting of the MP;
- Workshop on Data Collection and database management;
- Establishing of a Statistical Advisory Group;
- Supporting the development of national data management and dissemination strategy;
- Establishing a database to support the regular updating of the MP;
- Strengthening the capacity of the institution responsible for implementation and regular updating of the Migration Profile.

#### 4) Harmonized Data collection as a sound basis for policy-making (Belarus, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Russia and Tajikistan)

##### Description:

This pilot project implemented by OSCE, IOM, UNECE and ILO aims at establishing a harmonized data collection process in Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan through the development of a common draft template for harmonized migration data collection which will come as a

result of assessing the availability of migration data and existing gaps for data collection in these countries.

**Aims:**

The **overall objective** of the present project is to build institutional capacity among government officials and representatives of national and regional statistical bodies in the five EurAsEC countries for establishing a harmonized migration data collection process through developing common templates for harmonized migration data collection (statistical indicators) which will foster data collection and sharing in the regional.

The **specific objectives** of the project proposal are:

- to assess the availability of aggregated migration data in Belarus, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Russia and Tajikistan and their capacity for data collection with existing mechanisms;
- to detect current gaps for establishing a harmonized data collection process in these countries and develop a common draft template for harmonized migration data collection;
- to provide the target groups in the regional conference with information on the current data availability and existing gaps in the five countries, as well as international and regional legal frameworks for the collection of data and international cooperation at the international, regional and bilateral level.

**Ongoing Activities:**

- Assessment trips to Tajikistan, Kazakhstan and Kirgizstan, January - April 2011;
- OSCE/IOM Regional Conference: Promotion of the Handbook on migration data collection (including the synthesis report and draft data collection template) through the Conference June 2011.

**5) Central Asia Regional Migration Programme (CARM)**

**Description:**

This project aims at improving the collection and sharing of migration data between governmental agencies in Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan. Data is often scattered with different agencies which makes it difficult to have a comprehensive overview on past and current migration patterns. Data is usually shared upon specific request; no consistent data-sharing system exists among the agencies. This project is implemented by IOM in cooperation with UNIFEM and World Bank. IOM's role in the project consists in establishing a mechanism which would allow relevant government agencies to collect and share migration data in a more efficient way.

**Aims:**

Establish a data-collection and -sharing mechanism to foster the exchange of available information between governmental agencies in Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan.

**Ongoing Activities:**

- Needs assessment identifying major challenges for the collection and dissemination of data (completed);
  - Establishment of an inter-ministerial working group developing a set of core gender-segregated indicators to be shared by agencies and methodology of data-sharing;
  - Draft Governmental Decree to be signed by the Prime-Minister to enforce data sharing mechanism;
  - Develop two analytical reports based on the established mechanism (end of 2011 and in 2012).
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