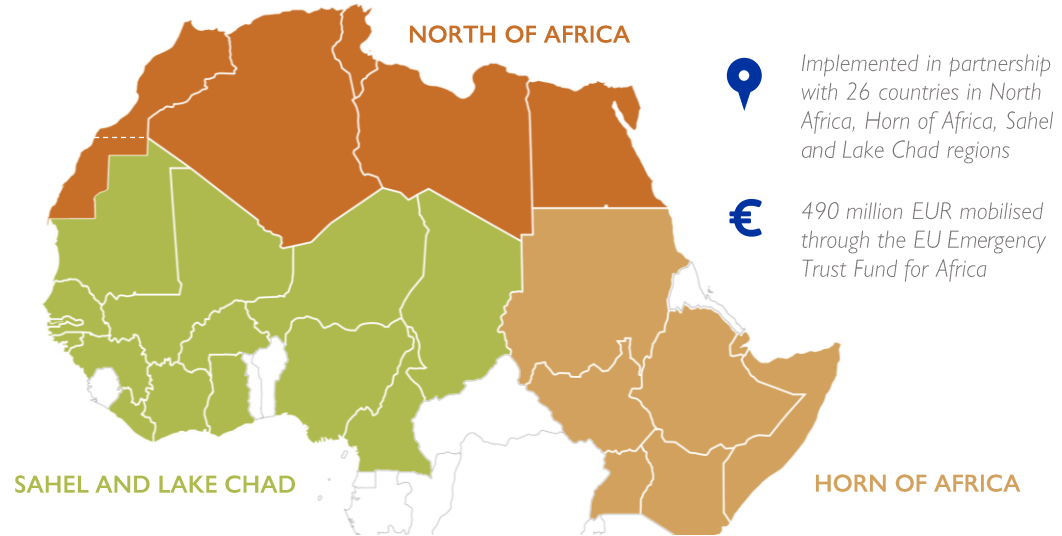


Launched in December 2016 with funding from the EU Emergency Trust Fund for Africa (EUTF), the EU-IOM Joint Initiative for Migrant Protection and Reintegration is the first comprehensive programme to save lives, protect and assist migrants along key migration routes in Africa. The actions address six interlinked pillars: (i) capacity building; (ii) protection and voluntary return assistance; (iii) reintegration support; (iv) migration data collection and analysis; (v) information and awareness raising and; (vi) community stabilisation.

The EU-IOM Joint Initiative enables migrants who decide to return to their countries of origin to do so in a safe and dignified way, in full respect of international human rights standards and the principle of non-refoulement. In close partnership with state and non-state actors, it provides assistance to returning migrants to help them restart their lives in their countries of origin through an integrated approach to reintegration that seeks to address returnees' economic, social and psychosocial needs while at the same time including communities in the reintegration process.



73,300+ Migrants assisted in Search and Rescue Operations at sea or in the desert, protecting and providing life-saving assistance to migrants stranded in Niger and Libya.	106,700+ Stranded and vulnerable migrants supported with their voluntary return , enabling those who find themselves in dire conditions to return to their country of origin if they decide to.	1,024,000+ Direct assistance services can include medical and psychosocial support at individual and family levels, accommodation, family tracing, and legal information. One individual can receive multiple services.	91,400+ Migrants provided with reintegration assistance , thereby addressing returnees' economic, social and psychosocial needs, and involving communities of return.	17,300+ Awareness raising events and activities organised to enable migrants and potential migrants to make informed decisions about their migratory journey and to sensitise communities of origin.	763 Community stabilisation – Local/regional activities to improve livelihood opportunities for local youth, promote regular work and improve infrastructure.
83 Flow Monitoring Points (FMPs) in place to strengthen data on migratory movements and on needs of vulnerable migrants, aiming to support evidence-based policies and programme design.	37 Migrant Resource and/or Response Centres (MRRCs/MRCs) established or rehabilitated to protect and provide direct assistance to migrants in vulnerable situations.	153 Offices and sub-offices of the IOM network working in the EU-IOM Joint Initiative countries to enable continuity of assistance and protection of migrants' rights throughout the migration continuum.	370 State and non-state actors involved in providing return and reintegration assistance to migrants across the three regions covered by the EU-IOM Joint Initiative.	130+ Partners which signed an agreement for referral or support to provide reintegration assistance. This allows for tailored support, wider geographic coverage and complementarity between actors.	216 Capacity building activities – Building ownership and investing in state and non-state actors, strengthening migration governance.

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