

With funding under the EU Emergency Trust Fund for Africa (EUTF), the EU-IOM Joint Initiative for Migrant Protection and Reintegration has been designed to provide a coherent framework to save lives, protect and assist migrants along the Central Mediterranean Routes (CMR). This Flash Report aims to present the compiled results of the Joint Initiative in (i) the Sahel and Lake Chad, (ii) North Africa, and (iii) the Horn of Africa. The EU-IOM Joint Initiative comprises the following pillars of action:

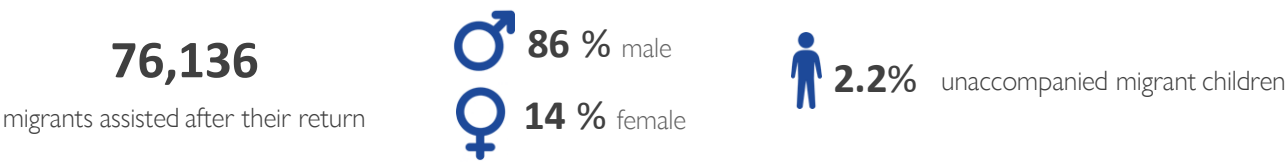
- Protection and Voluntary Return Assistance
 - Reintegration Support
- Capacity Development
 - Data Collection and Analysis
- Information and Awareness Raising
 - Community Stabilisation

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PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS IN AUGUST

- The [kick-off](#) meeting for the EU-IOM Joint Initiative in North Africa gathered key stakeholders, including representatives from North African governments, to formally launch programme activities and exchange on return and reintegration in the region.
- In Cote d'Ivoire, a community-based reintegration project trained 40 migrants and 40 community members in construction while rehabilitating a school in the outskirts of Abidjan for the benefit of more than 300 children.
- In Sudan, IOM and UNIDO are launching skills training for youth returnees. Returnees will be given the opportunity to develop their skills through participation in small-scale community infrastructure rehabilitation projects and on-the-job training over a three-month period.
- In Ethiopia, the EU-IOM Joint Initiative has continued to support capacity development for local partners. This month: partner universities were trained to carry out monitoring of reintegration activities; training of trainers for TVET and Job Creation Institutions focused on business development skills for returnees; partners involved in reintegration activities were trained on assistance to victims of trafficking and psychosocial support as well as on financial management.
- In Mali, an agreement between the EU-IOM Joint Initiative and three technical schools in Bamako and Kayes will enable 1,900 returnees to participate in professional training courses from September.
- In Mauritania, 45 journalists from public and private media in Nouakchott and Nouadhibou were trained on coverage of migration issues.

MIGRANTS ASSISTED WITH POST-ARRIVAL RECEPTION AND REINTEGRATION ASSISTANCE ²



VOLUNTARY RETURN


2,774 ¹ | 61,400 ²

Stranded and vulnerable migrants supported with their voluntary return under EUTF funding



PROTECTION & DIRECT ASSISTANCE

26 ³ | 39 ⁴ Migrant Resource and/or Response Centres established, rehabilitated or maintained

 1,211 ¹ | 23,063 ² Migrants assisted in Search and Rescue Operations


DATA COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS

30 ³ | 36 ⁴

Flow Monitoring Points (FMPs) in place
(for more information visit displacement.iom.int)



AWARENESS RAISING

 279 ¹ | 12,897 ² Awareness raising activities organised

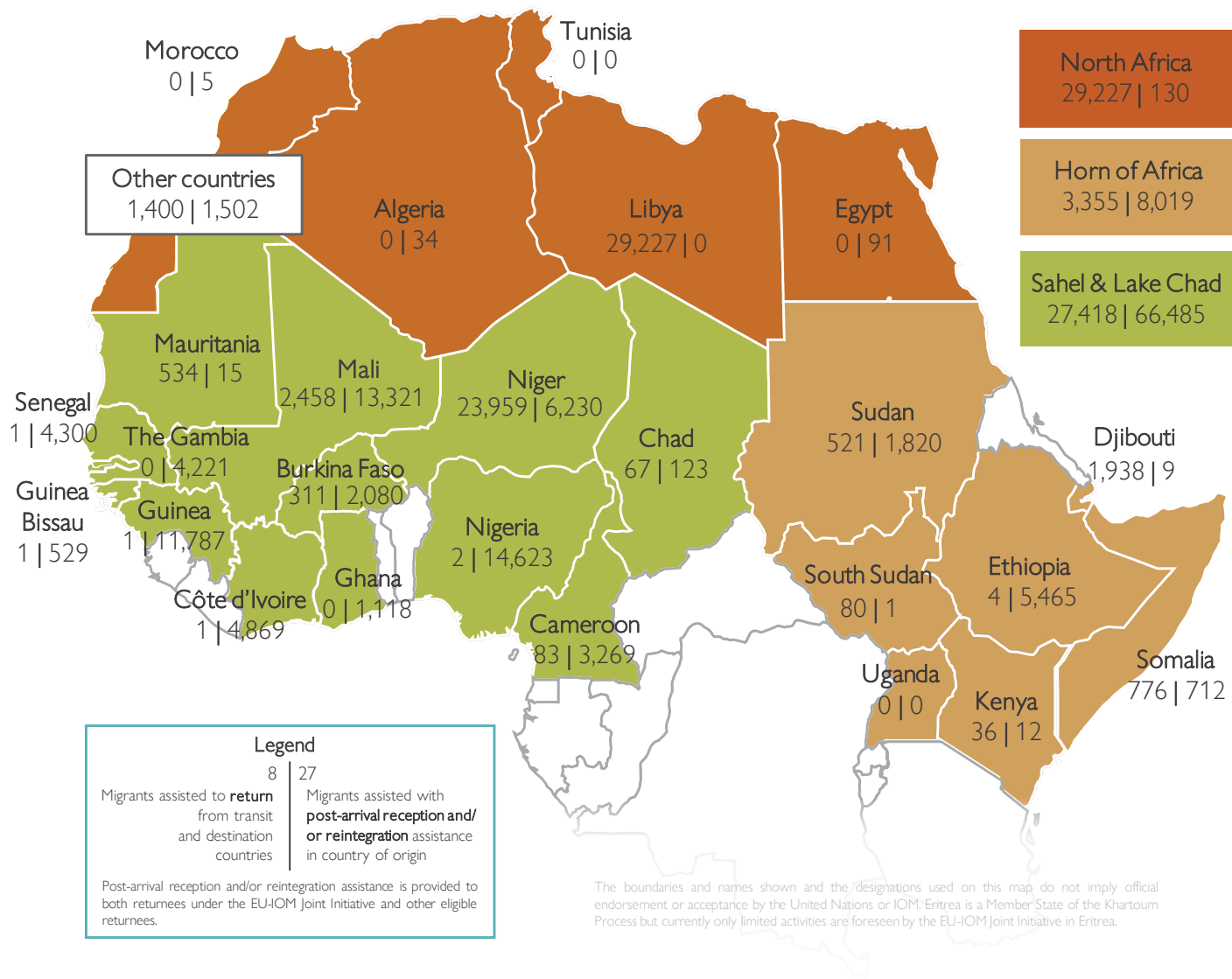
27,556 ¹ | 512,071 ² Individuals reached by awareness raising activities

All data is preliminary and subject to change.
Figures on return and reintegration assistance in this report include support provided by the Better Migration Management Programme.
IOM's Search and Rescue operations are supported by the European Union, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands and the Department for International Development (DFID).

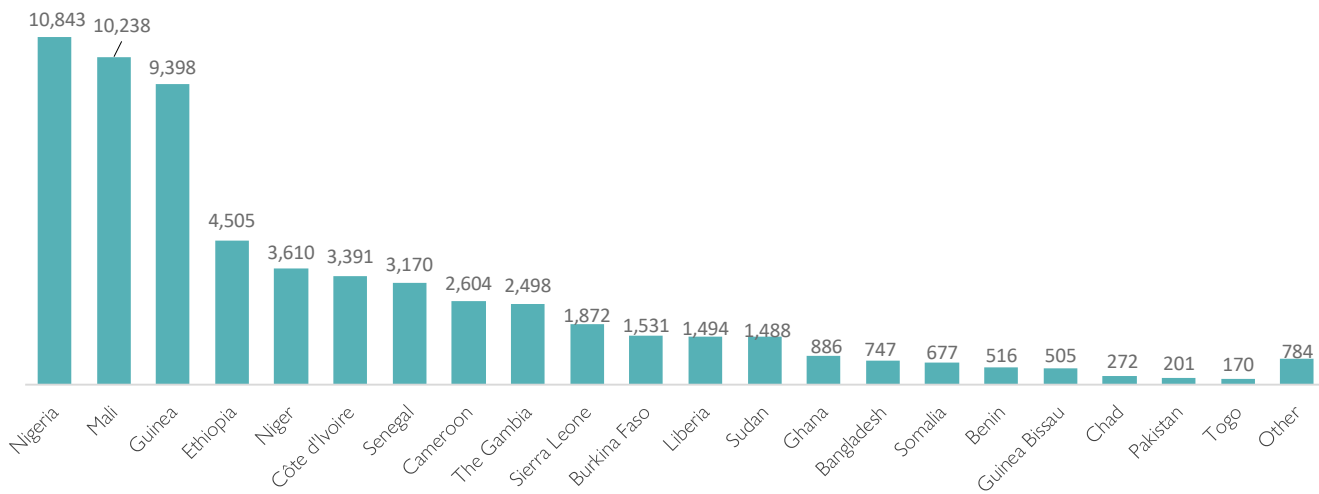
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3 FMPs/ MRRCs supported and operating
4 FMPs/ MRRCs planned



RETURN AND POST-ARRIVAL RECEPTION & REINTEGRATION ASSISTANCE²



VOLUNTARY RETURNS TO COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN funded under the EUTF²

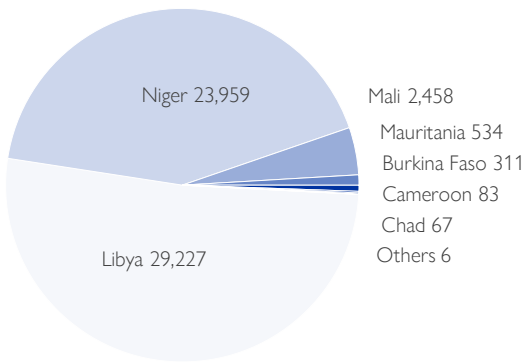


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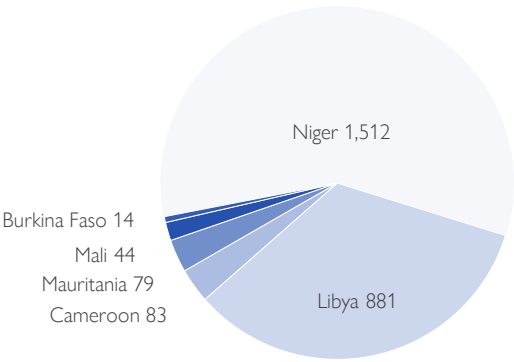


This section presents results under the EU-IOM Joint Initiative for Migrant Protection and Reintegration in the Sahel, Lake Chad and North of Africa. Countries covered in this region are Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Chad, Côte d'Ivoire, the Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea Bissau, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal and Libya.

VOLUNTARY RETURNS FROM COUNTRIES OF TRANSIT AND DESTINATION



Cumulative until 31 August 2019



August 2019

STEP BY STEP REBUILDING LIVES IN BURKINA FASO



The EU-IOM Joint Initiative supports migrants' reintegration into their communities of origin and aims to support more positive views of return through contributing to local social, cultural, economic and political life. A short film presenting reintegration activities in Burkina Faso and highlighting the willingness of returning migrants to start anew was produced to stimulate debate at community level. Local reintegration selection committees support returnees' reintegration projects, ensure that they are linked to local needs and opportunities, and identify capacity development needs to improve implementation. Many returnees set up joint projects with community members, which does not only foster their social reintegration but also creates an added value for the community. "Migrants have contributed a lot in basic social achievements. For example, the extension of the Beguedo health centre was achieved with their support. Whenever community activities are conducted, migrants contribute to their achievement", concludes a community member.

[Click [here](#) to watch the video]

POST-ARRIVAL RECEPTION AND REINTEGRATION ASSISTANCE IN THE SAHEL & LAKE CHAD

66,485² migrants were assisted after their return



1,879¹ | 66,151²

Post-arrival reception assistance

(incl. reception at the airport, overnight accommodation, cash grant for immediate needs, first medical assistance, assistance with onwards transportation, material assistance)



3,615¹ | 54,552²

Start of the reintegration support process

(Reintegration counselling and planning, other reintegration support measures tailored to needs, vulnerabilities and opportunities of each migrant)



2,781¹ | 35,060²

Economic support

(incl. job placements, set-up of microbusinesses, trainings, cash for work programmes)



216¹ | 9,162²

Social support

(incl. social protection schemes, housing, education, medical support, child care, legal services)



302¹ | 4,572²

Psychosocial support

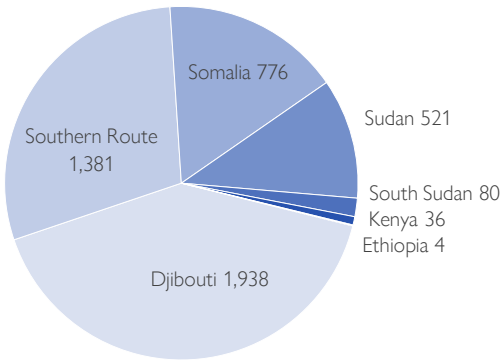
(incl. psychosocial counselling, focus group discussions, family mediation, community mediation, special security measures)

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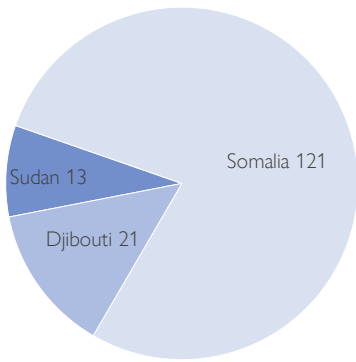
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This section presents results under the EU-IOM Joint Initiative for Migrant Protection and Reintegration in the Horn of Africa. Core countries in this region are Djibouti, Ethiopia, Somalia, and Sudan. Further countries covered under the Joint Initiative in the Horn of Africa are Eritrea, Kenya, Uganda, and South Sudan as well as Malawi, Mozambique, Tanzania and Zambia on the Southern migration route.

VOLUNTARY RETURNS FROM
COUNTRIES OF TRANSIT AND DESTINATION



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IOM PARTNERS WITH SAVE THE CHILDREN TO ASSIST 600 CHILDREN IN ETHIOPIA



Six hundred children in vulnerable situations in Ethiopia are the focus of a new EU-IOM Joint Initiative partnership with Save the Children. Together, IOM and Save the Children will work with existing government and grassroot structures, strengthening their capacities to respond to the protection concerns of child returnees and other children. Over the next 18 months, 400 returning migrant children and 200 other children in vulnerable situations receive multi-sectoral support in eight sub-regions in East Hararghe, Oromia and Amhara’s North Wollo Zones. Families will be supported to engage in income generating activities so that they can provide for their children. Child returnees will themselves be supported with skills training, including soft skills development - such as self-confidence and self-awareness – in order to accompany them their transition to adulthood.

[Click [here](#) to read the full story]

POST-ARRIVAL RECEPTION AND REINTEGRATION ASSISTANCE IN THE HORN OF AFRICA

8,019² migrants were assisted after their return



565¹ | 8,018²

Post-arrival reception assistance

(incl. reception at the airport, overnight accommodation, cash grant for immediate needs, first medical assistance, assistance with onwards transportation, material assistance)



495¹ | 5,503²

Start of the reintegration support process

(Reintegration counselling and planning, other reintegration support measures tailored to needs, vulnerabilities and opportunities of each migrant)



46¹ | 2,629²

Economic support

(incl. job placements, set-up of microbusinesses, trainings, cash for work programmes)



48¹ | 464²

Social support

(incl. social protection schemes, housing, education, medical support, child-care, legal services)



184¹ | 4,107²

Psychosocial support

(incl. psychosocial counselling, focus group discussions, family mediation, community mediation, special security measures)

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1 Figure reflecting the reporting month
2 Figure since the start of the EU-IOM Joint Initiative (May 2017)

This section presents results under the EU-IOM project 'Protecting Vulnerable Migrants and Stabilizing Communities in Libya' which are not already covered in the compiled results in pages 1, 2 and 3.

MIGRANT SITUATION UPDATE

- At least **641,398** migrants in Libya (**91%** adults, **13%** women, **9%** children)
- **4,797** migrants in detention centres in Libya (including **3,205** in Tripoli and areas close to conflict)
- At least **268,629** internally displaced persons (IDPs)
- At least **444,760** IDP returnees
- At least **128,150** persons displaced due to ongoing conflict in Tripoli
- **1,370** migrants returned to Libyan shores by the Libyan Coast Guard in August

Source: IOM Displacement Tracking Matrix (DTM) Libya, <https://www.globaldtm.info/libya/>

PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS IN AUGUST

- **Community stabilization:** IOM and the Libyan Association of Teachers of English as a Second Language (TESOL) kicked off a professional development programme on 19 August for teachers from three African community migrant schools in Sabha. It offers a 2-month training programme for 24 migrant teachers and provides tools for effective teaching practices, improving the quality of education for more than 550 students.
- **Labour migration:** Work has continued towards enhancing labour migration cooperation in Libya, with IOM presently working on the modalities of holding a multi-stakeholder meeting with the Libyan Ministry of Labour and relevant partner countries.
- The newly operational mobile **Migrant Resource and Response Mechanism (MRRM)** assisted 490 migrants in August in Sabha, Qatroun and Bani Waleed. A mapping and identification of migrants in distress in urban areas is ongoing.

HUMANITARIAN DIRECT ASSISTANCE TO MIGRANTS



0¹ | 247,750²

Emergency food assistance distributed to migrants
(number of meals distributed)



1,427¹ | 91,152²

Non-food items and hygiene kits distributed to migrants



1,699¹ | 30,271²

Healthcare services provided to migrants

ASSISTANCE TO VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING (VoTs)



10¹ | 366²

VoTs and persons at risk assisted
(incl. identification, information to victims, potential victims and persons at risk, support to access services, tailored assistance and referrals)

ALTERNATIVES TO DETENTION



0³ | 3⁴

IOM safe spaces for vulnerable migrants established



14¹ | 377²

Vulnerable migrants hosted in alternatives to detention

IMPROVING MIGRANT CONDITIONS AT KEY LOCATIONS



6¹ | 15²

Detention centres where conditions for migrants have been improved
(incl. provision or rehabilitation of toilets, showering facilities, and sewage systems)



0¹ | 12²

Disembarkation points equipped with lifesaving equipment and materials

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3 IOM Safe spaces supported and operating

4 Total IOM Safe spaces planned