Reintegration for migrants returning to Cameroon
If you are thinking to benefit from IOM assistance to return to Cameroon in the framework of the EU-IOM Joint Initiative for Migrant Protection and Reintegration, below are some information on the reintegration assistance process, step by step. Please read them carefully.

**ABOUT REINTEGRATION ASSISTANCE**

Once you have landed in Yaoundé or Douala, IOM and representatives from the Ministry of External Relations, the General Direction for National Security, the Ministry of Public Health, the Ministry of Social Affairs, the Ministry of Youth and Civic Education, and the Ministry of Territorial Administration, Direction for Civil protection will be there to welcome and assist you.

You will be screened by the General Direction for National Security and registered. IOM will give you information on the assistance available following your arrival that is reintegration assistance. You will as well receive food and beverage by representatives of the Ministry of Territorial Administration, Direction for Civil Protection or by IOM.

Medical consultations as well as vaccinations are also available, according to your needs. Representatives of the Ministry of Social Affairs will also be there, to listen, guide and reassure you. The advisers on socio-economic reintegration of the Ministry of
Youth and Civic Education will help you filling out the return form and support in your socioeconomic and professional orientation. At this stage, you will be able to discuss with them about your reintegration project.

An ambulance might as well be available at the airport for returned migrants who need urgent medical care.

If you arrive during the day, you will receive your pocket money (the equivalent of 100 euros in FCFA) to cover your transport to your final destination and your immediate needs for a few days.

If you arrive during the night, you will be hosted in a hotel (hotel Prestige in Yaoundé – Etoudi – and hotel du Plateau in Douala) for the first night. A bus will drive you to the hotel following your registration. The following day, you will receive breakfast at the hotel. IOM as well as representatives from the Ministry of Social affairs and of Public Health will be there. Pregnant women and women with little babies will receive layette kits. You will also receive your pocket money before leaving the hotel.

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**ARRIVAL BY COMMERCIAL FLIGHT**

If you arrive in Yaoundé/Douala in a commercial flight, IOM will be present. However, IOM partners might not be there.

At your arrival in Yaoundé/Douala you will need to pass through the border controls carried out by the General Direction for National Security. IOM will give you information on the assistance available following your return that is reintegration assistance.

If you haven’t received pocket money before departure, you will then receive pocket money (the equivalent of 100 euros in FCFA) at your arrival to cover transportation to your final destination and your immediate needs for a few days.

The pocket money is the only money that you will receive in cash within this project.

Once you arrive in Cameroon, you will be expected to provide a reliable phone number through which IOM can further reach you. Even if you have a personal functional number, you will be required to provide a second contact (either number of a relative or a close friend). It is important that you inform us in case you change phone number.
Reintegration assistance can be provided in different forms. Based on your needs, on your competences, on the assistance you may have already received as well as on IOM’s and its partners’ resources, one or more of the following services can be provided to you:

- Short training in business management, financial literacy or other areas of interest
- Psychological and social support;
- Medical assistance;
- Support to pursue education or enroll in vocational training;
- Links to existing employment opportunities and support for job insertion;
- Support to set up or strengthen a small business.
If you would like to set up or strengthen a small business, IOM strongly encourages you to consider “collective projects” with other returnees and/or “community-based” projects with residents of your village or town.

Special assistance will be provided to people who need medical and psychological support, victims of trafficking and exploitation, mistreatment and violence, to unaccompanied minors, elder migrants, single-parent households, female-led households and pregnant women.

The assistance will be given through existing programmes and services, or directly by IOM and its partners where adequate services are lacking.

Your eligibility to the above mentioned services is based on criteria. These criteria as well as relevant procedures will be discussed with you during the counselling session(s).
IOM’S PARTNERS AND SERVICE PROVIDERS

- MINREX (Ministry of External Relations): Ensures coordination at the airport
- DGSN (General Direction for National Security): Disembarkment and border procedures
- MINSANTE (Ministry of Public Health): Medical consultations and according to the conditions, orientation and observation in hospitals within 48 hours
- MINAS (Ministry of Social Affairs): Reception, consultation with pregnant women, placement of unaccompanied minors with their families
- MINJEC (Ministry of Youth and Civic Education): Fill out return forms, beginning of socioeconomic and professional orientation, first discussions about the reintegration project. The MINJEC and IOM Reintegration Assistants will also with you when you come to discuss and set up your reintegration plan
- MINAT/DPC (Ministry of Territorial Administration, Direction for Civil protection): Logistic assistance for transport and delivery of food and beverage
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