

UKRAINE: IOM SLOVAKIA RESPONSE INFOSHEET 19 APRIL 2022

7.7 MILLION INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS IN UKRAINE.

5.1 MILLION PEOPLE FLED UKRAINE

Since 24 February 2022, an increasing number of Ukrainian refugees and third-country nationals (TCNs) entering neighboring countries has been registered as a result of the war in Ukraine.

As of 19 April 2022, Slovak authorities have reported more than **347,000** arrivals from Ukraine, out of which **320,438** were Ukrainian refugees and **12,977** TCNs.

Source of data: <u>IOM</u>, <u>UNHCR</u>, Ministry of Interior of the Slovak Republic



NEWS:

IOM TRAINED 25 PROFESSIONALS IN COUNTER-TRAFFICKING

IOM trained frontline workers and healthcare professionals in Michalovce and Vysne Nemecke about the elements of human trafficking, recognizing key features of trauma and consequences for a survivor of trafficking as well as about providing health assistance to victims of this crime.

The participants included professionals from the Ministry of Defense of the Slovak Republic, Slovak Red Cross, International Rescue System, Caritas Slovakia, Mareena and Maltese Cross.

In addition to that, IOM disseminates **information leaflets and cards** with relevant preventive information as well as promotes its mobile app **SAFE Travel & Work Abroad** with key information about human trafficking, safe travelling principles, advice on seeking employment abroad and a list of emergency contacts.

IOM HELPS MOTHERS AND THEIR BABIES ON THE MOVE

IOM responded to the urgent need of securing dignified and private space for mothers and their babies when crossing the border in Vysne Nemecke. IOM equipped a dedicated room in cooperation with St. Elisabeth's University of Health and Social Sciences.

The room provides a heated shelter, especially important for breast feeding mothers and toddlers who are particularly at risk of undercooling. Space is equipped with germicidal radiator for air and surface disinfection, baby changing tables, a wardrobe, storage boxes and a sterilizer for nursing bottles.

Existence of such a room also helps to treat and avoid napkin dermatitis which is one of the most common medical issues of children on the move.





IOM DELIVERED SUPPLIES FOR BREASTFEEDING AND BABY CARE ROOM IN VYSNE NEMECKE.

IOM ACTIVITIES

DIRECT ASSISTANCE

Direct assistance and response to immediate refugee needs at border points of entry and dedicated registration centres

REMOTE ASSISTANCE

Legal, social and job counseling and referrals to Ukrainian refugees as well as to third country nationals through IOM's Migration Information Centre infoline and email.

HUMANITARIAN AID

Provision of emergency humanitarian aid to people in need in Ukraine and people fleeing Ukraine.

PROTECTION

Capacity building on counter-trafficking, prevention of sexual exploitation, gender-based violence and other topics for frontline workers, healthcare professionals, volunteers etc.

TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATION

Assistance to persons fleeing the war in Ukraine with temporary accommodation in partnership with the Airbnb.

DATA COLLECTION

Data collection on displacement, people's needs and intentions to better understand mobility dynamics in the region and strengthen the response to the crisis.



AT THE UBLA CROSSING POINT OF ENTRY, IOM COLLECTS DATA ON NEEDS AND INTENTIONS OF PEOPLE FLEEING UKRAINE.

IN THE PIPELINE

- Emergency multi-purpose cash assistance.
- Mental health and psychological support.

IOM RESPONSE IN NUMBERS:

1,385 PEOPLE ASSISTED ONSITE

IOM provided in person assistance, referrals, information on temporary refuge and on different life aspects in Slovakia to refugees at border crossing points and dedicated registration centres.

1.822 PEOPLE ASSISTED REMOTELY

IOM's Migration Information Centre (MIC) provided information and legal, social and job counselling to Ukrainians and non-EU nationals through infoline, email and other channels.

2,100 TONS OF HUMANITARIAN AID

IOM shipped 136 trucks with essential goods from warehouse in Kosice to people in need in Ukraine, equating to a volume of 2,100 tons

1,200 BLANKETS FOR PEOPLE IN NEED

IOM delivered blankets for people in need in the Kosice municipality and Michalovce Registration Centre for immediate distribution across temporary accommodation sites.

171,946 WEBSITE VISITORS

People were searching for the useful information on entry and stay in Slovakia available in Ukrainian, Slovak, English and Russian at the MIC website www.mic.iom.sk.

451 SURVEYS

IOM conducted data collection across key sites through interviews with Ukrainian refugees and TCNs about their needs and intentions.



IOM'S SUPPLY CHAIN HUB IN KOSICE, SLOVAKIA, IS USED AS A VANTAGE POINT TO DELIVER LIFESAVING HUMANITARIAN AID INTO UKRAINE. © IOM / MARIA GEMA CORTES.



IOM HANDED OVER 1,200 BLANKETS IN TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATION SITES IN KOSICE AND MICHALOVCE FOR IMMEDIATE DISTRIBUTION TO PEOPLE IN NEED FROM UKRAINE.

WHERE YOU CAN FIND US:

Since the outbreak of the war, IOM is helping every day at the Slovak-Ukrainian border and in the dedicated registration centres. From the very first days IOM has assisted on sites to more than **1,380 people** fleeing from Ukraine and arriving in Slovakia, including Ukrainian refugees and TCNs. IOM is actively present at the following border crossing points, registration centres and sites:



POINTS OF ENTRY:

- 1. Vysne Nemecke
- 2. Ubla

CENTRES:

- 3. Registration centre in Michalovce
- IOM Migration Information Centre in Kosice
 Hotspot Cervena Hviezda in Kosice
- 5. Humanitarian centre in Gabcikovo
- 6. IOM Migration Information Centre in Bratislava

IOM INFOLINES

INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE FOR PEOPLE ARRIVING FROM UKRAINE TO SLOVAKIA

Info line: 0850 211 478 (from the territory

of the Slovak Republic)

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