

### UKRAINE: IOM SLOVAKIA RESPONSE INFOSHEET 12 JULY 2022

# 6.27 MILLION INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS IN UKRAINE.

### 8.79 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 12 July 2022, Slovak authorities have reported more than **600,717** arrivals from Ukraine, out of which **555,842** were Ukrainian refugees and **33,294** TCNs and EU nationals.

Source of data for the period of 24 February – 12 July 2022: IOM, UNHCR, Ministry of Interior of the Slovak Republic



IOM SLOVAKIA AT UBLA BORDER POE ALSO RAISE AWARENESS OF UKRAINIANS ABOUT THE RISKS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND DISSEMINATE CONTACT DETAILS FOR FURTHER QUESTIONS AND SITUATIONS THAT MAY ARISE DURING THEIR STAY IN SLOVAKIA.

### NEWS:

### PEOPLE IN GABCIKOVO CAN IMPROVE THEIR LIVING CONDITIONS WITH KITCHEN AND HYGIENIC SETS

IOM Slovakia continues with the delivery of vital humanitarian aid at the Gabcikovo Accommodation Facility, currently hosting 970 people that fled emergency situation in Ukraine.

IOM identified a lack of autonomy of residents of the facility in cooking and preparing food in a preferred time, mothers' control of nutrition of their kids and importance for residents to keep their traditions alive through their national cuisine. In July 2022 IOM replied to these needs by delivering 450 kitchen sets to each family and persons living individually in the facility. A set consisted of pots, a pan, knifes, cutlery, sponges, plates, bowls and cups.

Additionally, in mid-July IOM distributed 500 hygienic sets, separately for men, women and children.

### IOM OPENED 2 NEW COURSES OF SLOVAK LANGUAGE IN KOSICE FOR PEOPLE FROM UKRAINE

Since April 2022 a cycle of 26 online courses of Slovak language has hosted 520 people. Out of them, 15 courses provided important basics of Slovak language to temporary refuge holders from Ukraine. Another cycle of online courses will start in mid-August.

IOM Slovakia has organised additional 11 in-person Slovak language courses for 220 temporary refuge holders from Ukraine. In addition to the Gabcikovo Accommodation Facility and Bottova Assistance Centre in Bratislava, they learn Slovak language in Presov and now also in Kosice during summer. And just recently 3 courses have finished in the Slovak-Ukrainian Community House in Bratislava.

Participants of these courses improve their Slovak language skills which will accelerate their integration in the society, help them find a job and facilitate children's inclusion in the Slovak school system.



DISTRIBUTION OF KITCHEN SETS WITHIN THE IOM HUMANITARIAN AID DELIVERY AT THE GABCIKOVO ACCOMMODATION FACILITY.



IOM COURSE OF SLOVAK LANGUAGE FOR PEOPLE FROM UKRAINE AT THE BOTTOVA ASSISTANCE CENTRE IN BRATISLAVA.

### ANALYSIS OF DISPLACEMENT OF THIRD-COUNTRY NATIONALS: 2ND IOM REPORT ON THEIR MOBILITY TO/FROM SLOVAKIA

IOM released the <u>second displacement analysis of third-country</u> <u>nationals</u> (TCNs) who left Ukraine and arrived in Slovakia and those who exited the country towards Ukraine. The second report covers the period of 24 February – 23 June 2022.

### Entries from Ukraine to Slovakia

Between 24 February and 23 June 2022, a total of 541,726 people entered Slovakia from Ukraine. Out of them, 30,845 were TCNs of 149 different nationalities (6 per cent), in addition to 501,059 Ukrainian nationals (92 per cent) and 9,882 Slovak nationals (2 per cent).

More than a half of the individuals who entered Slovakia were adult women (284,154), followed by 29 percent of children (79,020 girls and 78,814 boys) and 19 percent of men (99,738).

The report shows that almost 50 per cent of the entries of TCNs from Ukraine to Slovakia occurred before 10 March, with a peak of entries (8,391) between 27 February and 2 March 2022.

The top 10 nationalities by number of entries of TCNs in Slovakia so far were Hungary (24 per cent), Czechia, Morocco, Germany, India, Russian Federation, Nigeria, Poland, United States and China.

### Exits from Slovakia to Ukraine

During the reporting period, 18,434 TCNs of 96 different nationalities left Slovakia toward Ukraine, in addition to 260,369 Ukrainian and 9,818 Slovak nationals.

#### Asylum Applications

As of 23 June 2022, third-country nationals represented 23 per cent of the total of 190 asylum applications in connection with the conflict in Ukraine. Forty-four third-country national applicants were of nine different nationalities, with the highest proportion from nationals of the Russian Federation who represented almost 60 per cent of the asylum applications from TCNs.

### Temporary protection

Between 24 February and 23 June 2022, a total of 82,799 persons requested temporary protection in Slovakia in connection with the conflict in Ukraine. Out of these, less than one per cent was from TCNs, representing 526 requests from persons of 44 different nationalities. Similarly to asylum applications, nationals of the Russian Federation were the largest nationality group of TCNs applying for this protection.



### FROM THE FIELD #5:

### WITH DATA WE CAN BEST ADDRESS OUR SUPPORT AND IMMEDIATE ASSISTANCE TO PEOPLE FROM UKRAINE

#### Jakub, IOM Czechia, currently based in Eastern Slovakia

It was not difficult for me to decide whether to remain sitting in my duty station in Prague or to directly assist people from Ukraine.

I felt honoured and lucky to be able to join the IOM Emergency Response Team in Slovakia as I felt a strong necessity to be able to take part in assisting those fleeing war in Ukraine in any way I could.

And why it is important for me to assist them? I feel that it is a moral obligation of those who have plenty to assist those who have few.

As the Displacement Tracking Matrix Focal Point in Slovakia, I supervise, coordinate and provide capacity building for our staff in the field collecting data on the mobility, needs and intentions of displaced people fleeing war. By analyzing data on the needs and intentions of people fleeing war in Ukraine, IOM can better understand how to best address its response in providing support and immediate assistance.





# 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 counselling 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.



#### TRAINING OF TRAINERS

IN JUNE 2022, EIGHT IOM CONSULTANTS WORKING ON THE BORDERS LEARNT ABOUT HUMAN TRAFFICKING TO BE ABLE TO DELIVER PROPER INFORMATION AND PREVENTIVE STEPS. FURTHERMORE, THEY RECEIVED BASICS ON HOW TO CONDUCT EDUCATIONAL AND PREVENTIVE ACTIVITIES IN THE AREA OF COMBATING HUMAN TRAFFICKING. FOLLOW-UP TRAININGS WILL EMPOWER THEM TO DELIVER EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES ON HUMAN TRAFFICKING FOR DIFFERENT AUDIENCES IN THE FUTURE.

### EMERGENCY MULTI-PURPOSE CASH ASSISTANCE

Provision of allowance for persons taking care of adult Ukrainian citizens with disabilities, currently living in Slovakia.

### MENTAL HEALTH AND PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT

Provision of mental health and psychosocial support to people fleeing the war and currently living in Slovakia.

### **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.

### IOM RESPONSE IN NUMBERS:

Results are for the period of 24 February – 12 July 2022:

### 3,518 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.

### 5,974 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.

### 335,790 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 <u>www.mic.iom.sk</u>.

### 87 PROFESSIONALS TRAINED IN COUNTER-TRAFFICKING

IOM conducted eight trainings for frontline and healthcare workers and other professionals involved in provision of services for refugees and TCNs.

### 221 PEOPLE PROVIDED WITH PSYCHOLOGICAL SUPPORT

25 people received psychological first aid and 196 people received individual psychological counselling or participated in group sessions.

### 25 CLASSES OF SLOVAK LANGUAGE COURSES

Ukrainian citizens can learn Slovak in 15 classes in an online format and in 11 in-person classes in Bottova Assistance Centre in Bratislava, Gabcikovo Accommodation Facility, Presov and Kosice.

### 8,316 TONS OF HUMANITARIAN AID

IOM shipped 396 trucks with essential goods from its warehouses to people in need in Ukraine, equating to a volume of 8,316 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.

### 1 BREASTFEEDING AND BABY CARE ROOM EQUIPPED

IOM secured dignified and private space for mothers and their babies when crossing the border in Vysne Nemecke and equipped a dedicated room with vital supplies.

### 1,635 HYGIENIC KITS FOR PEOPLE ON THE RUN

IOM delivered kits to the Michalovce large scale registration centre which daily assist dozens of people in need from Ukraine and to the Gabcikovo Accommodation Facility currently hosting 970 people.

### **133 BENEFICIARIES OF ACCOMMODATION**

IOM assisted persons mainly in vulnerable situation – single mothers, elderly people and those with chronic illnesses – to find and secure temporary accommodation in Airbnb facilities in Slovakia.

### 1,091 SURVEYS

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

# WHERE YOU CAN FIND US:

Since the outbreak of the war, IOM helps 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 **3,500 people** fleeing Ukraine and arriving in Slovakia, including Ukrainian refugees and TCNs. IOM is actively present at the following border crossing points, registration centres and sites:



## IOM INFOLINES

### INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE FOR PEOPLE ARRIVING FROM UKRAINE TO SLOVAKIA

Info line:	0850 211 478 (from the territory of the Slovak Republic)
From abroad:	+421 2 5263 0023, +421 55 625 8662
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### POINTS OF ENTRY:

- 1. Ubla
- 2. Vysne Nemecke

### CENTRES:

- 3. Registration Centre in Michalovce
- 4. IOM Migration Information Centre in Kosice Hotspot Cervena Hviezda in Kosice
- 5. Accomodation Facility in Gabcikovo
- 6. IOM Migration Information Centre in Bratislava

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