

ABOUT US

MAKING MIGRATION BETTER

The International Centre for Migration Policy Development (ICMPD) is an international organisation with 21 Member States and more than 500 staff members. Active in more than 90 countries worldwide, it takes a regional approach in its work to create efficient cooperation and partnerships along migration routes. Priority regions include Pan-Africa and West-Africa, Eastern Europe and Central Asia, Mediterranean, Silk Routes, Türkiye and Western Balkans. Its three-pillar approach to migration management – structurally linking research, migration dialogues and capacity building – contributes to better migration policy development worldwide.

The Vienna-based organisation receives funding from its Member States, the European Commission, the UN and other multilateral institutions, as well as bilateral donors.

Founded in 1993, ICMPD holds UN observer status and cooperates with more than 715 partners including EU institutions and UN agencies.

Migration is one of the most important political issues in current public debates and ICMPD strives to be an objective and fair-minded companion in this context. It aims to shape a nuanced discourse and facilitate dialogue between all relevant stakeholders. ICMPD bases its work on knowledge and solid evidence and has vast experience in bridging the gap between theory and practice. Thus, ICMPD is able to provide policy-makers and politicians with the necessary groundwork to make critical decisions. Furthermore, ICMPD is present on the ground with capacity building activities in various areas of migration management.

ICMPD MEMBER STATES

- Austria (1993)
- Bosnia and Herzegovina (2012)
- Bulgaria (2003)
- Croatia (2004)
- Czech Republic (2001)
- Germany (2020)
- Greece (2021)
- Hungary (1995)
- Ireland (2024)
- Malta (2018)
- Netherlands (2023)
- North Macedonia (2015)
- Poland (2003)
- Portugal (2004)
- Romania (2011)
- Serbia (2014)
- Slovakia (2006)
- Slovenia (1998)
- Sweden (2002)
- Switzerland (1993)
- Türkiye (2018)

PRIORITY REGIONS

Pan-Africa

West-Africa

Eastern Europe and Central Asia

Mediterranean

Silk Routes

Türkiye

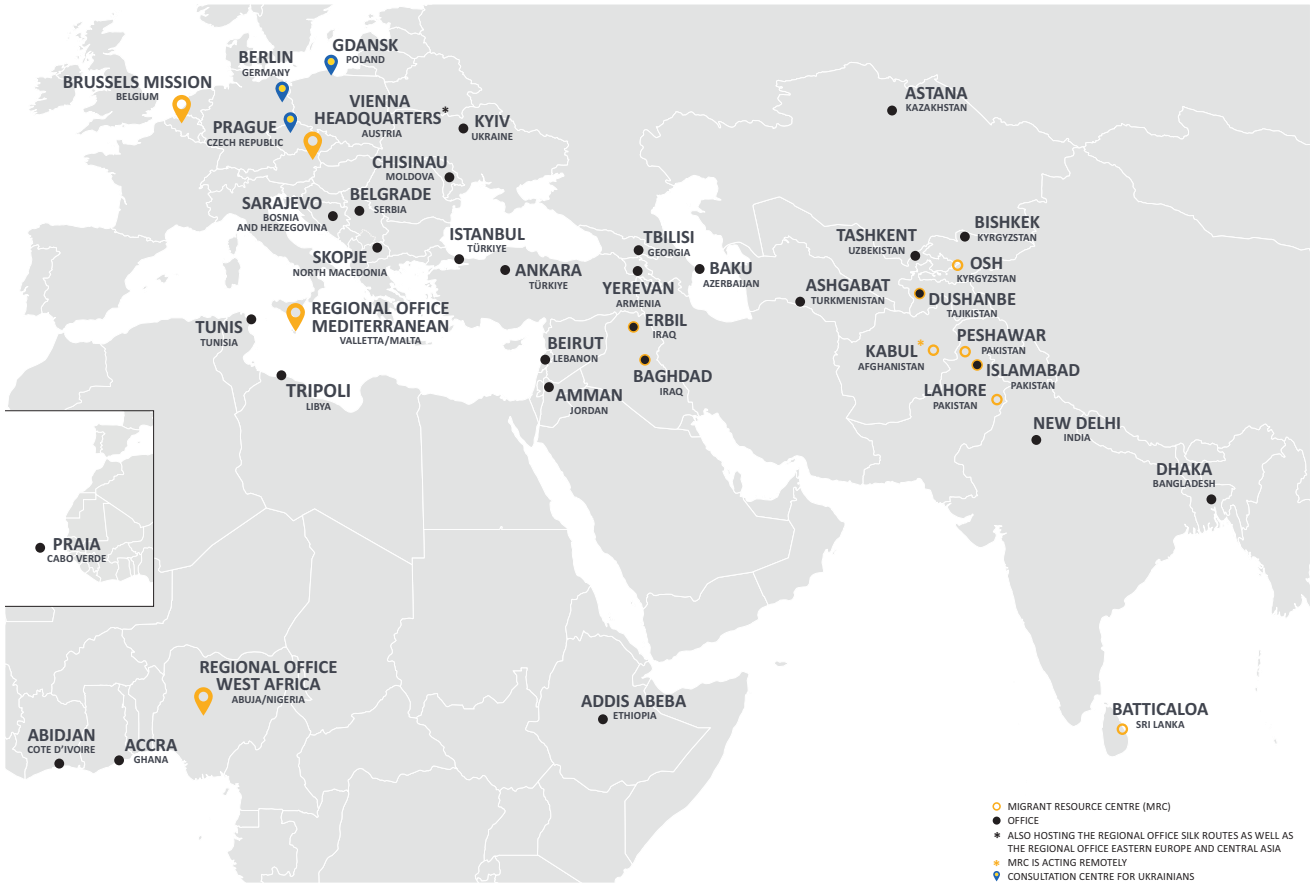
Western Balkans

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

We build evidence-driven migration policy options and governance systems that engage and equip our partners with effective, forward-leaning responses to opportunities and pragmatic solutions to complex, regional migration and mobility challenges.



WHERE WE ARE LOCATED



OUR FIELDS OF EXPERTISE

ASYLUM & INTERNATIONAL PROTECTION	MIGRATION DIALOGUES
BORDER MANAGEMENT & SECURITY	MIGRATION & DEVELOPMENT
CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT	MIGRATION & ENVIRONMENT
DIASPORA & MIGRANTS	MIGRATION & HEALTH
ECONOMY, EDUCATION & THE PRIVATE SECTOR	MIGRATION NARRATIVES & PUBLIC OPINION
GOVERNANCE	POLICY
INTEGRATION & SOCIAL COHESION	RESEARCH
IRREGULAR MIGRATION	RETURN & REINTEGRATION
LEGAL & LABOUR MIGRATION	TRAFFICKING IN HUMAN BEINGS

OUR WORKSTREAMS



UNDERSTAND

the challenges and needs of our partners

CONNECT

all relevant stakeholders

EMPOWER

governments and administrations on the ground



Every autumn the Vienna Migration Conference (VMC) offers an indispensable opportunity to discuss unfolding geopolitical dynamics, global trends and the current EU migration agenda. It is the premier international platform for high-level discussions on migration in Europe and beyond, where debates put the spotlight firmly on the state of play in migration diplomacy and where real progress among key partners can be made.

Over the past years, the VMC has attracted ministers, leading experts and practitioners from governments across the EU, Türkiye, Western Balkans, Africa and Central Asia, as well as top figures from international and non-governmental organisations,

academia, media, civil society and the private sector. Recurring topics of the conference:

- Strategies to strengthen international cooperation on migration and build sustainable migration partnerships
- Dynamics along key migration routes to Europe and priorities for joint action
- New EU policy developments, including asylum reform and innovative labour migration schemes
- International protection, solidarity and crisis management
- The EU's geopolitical power to advance its migration interests in a turbulent world

KEY FIGURES



YEARLY OUTREACH*

54 conferences, **2.317** trainings
with **35.156** participants at **646** locations

*2022

FUNDING

Programme expenditures in 2023 by funding structures in %

