



## FACTSHEET

# SWISS SUPPORT TO INTEGRATED BORDER MANAGEMENT IN LEBANON (PHASE 2)

## *Supporting Lebanon in Fostering Human Rights-Based Border and Migration Management*

### Executive Summary

By **promoting human rights-based border and migration management in Lebanon**, the project contributes to **strengthening the capacities of Lebanese agencies and authorities** responsible for all aspects related to the **management of migration and of displaced and refugee populations in Lebanon**, thus **reinforcing their role in performing their constitutional task** as well as their **perception as highly skilled and professional agents**. Swiss support builds and expands on EU-funded technical assistance provided within the framework of the IBM Lebanon project.

### Project Objectives

While still striving to **foster a rights-based approach to border management**, and building upon the **lessons learnt from, and the positive outcomes of, Phase 1 (2016-2018)**, such as the elaboration of training manuals and the provision of a safe shelter for travellers and migrants at the Masnaa Border Crossing Point, the project will continue in the same direction and put a particular focus on:

- Enhancing Lebanese security agencies' **border management and rights-based protection capacities**;
- **Raising awareness of the concept of gender equality** and adopting **gender-responsive border systems and procedures**;
- Promoting Lebanese security agencies' **awareness of and reactivity to trafficking in human beings (THB)**;
- Providing **infrastructure support**, with a focus on addressing the needs of **migrants in vulnerable situations and potential victims of THB**.

### Project Beneficiaries

To support ongoing security agency efforts to integrate a rights-based and gender-sensitive approach to border and migration management, the primary focus of assistance is the **Directorate General of General Security (GS)**, the **Lebanese Armed Forces (LAF)** and the **Directorate General of Internal Security Forces (ISF)**, in consideration of their role in border and migration management. Cooperation with a broader range of partners will be sought wherever appropriate, including with:

- Ministry of State for the Economic Empowerment of Women and Youth;
- Lebanese Civil Defense (LCD);
- National Commission for Lebanese Women (NCLW);
- ICMPD sister projects both in Lebanon and globally;
- Other assistance projects implemented by relevant international and national bodies.

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### Project Activities

Activities will be based on lessons learnt from the previous phase and include **awareness-raising workshops, foundation and advanced level trainings, training of trainers (ToT) activities, formulation of standard operating procedures (SOP), international internships and/or study visits to European countries, specialist training and infrastructure support.**



### The Swiss State Secretariat for Migration

The State Secretariat for Migration (SEM) strives to protect and defend the rights of migrants and refugees in their regions of origin and transit. This is why it supports countries of first arrival and transit, such as Lebanon. The SEM objectives are to improve living conditions for migrants and refugees (through protection, registration, supplies, etc.) and to support the establishment of effective coping mechanisms for refugees and displaced persons.

### The International Centre for Migration Policy Development (ICMPD)

Founded in 1993, ICMPD is a Vienna-based international organisation with 17 Member States and is active in more than 90 countries worldwide, with the Middle East being a priority region. Its three-pillar approach to migration management – structurally linking research, migration dialogues and capacity building – contributes to better migration policy development worldwide. ICMPD holds UN observer status and cooperates with more than 200 partners including EU institutions and UN agencies.

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