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About ICMPD

The International Centre for Migration Policy Development (ICMPD) supports governments in establishing robust, rights-based migration management systems in and for countries. Founded in 1993, ICMPD holds United Nations (UN) observer status and cooperates with more than 700 stakeholders, including Member States, partner countries, European Union (EU) institutions, and UN agencies.

Key figures

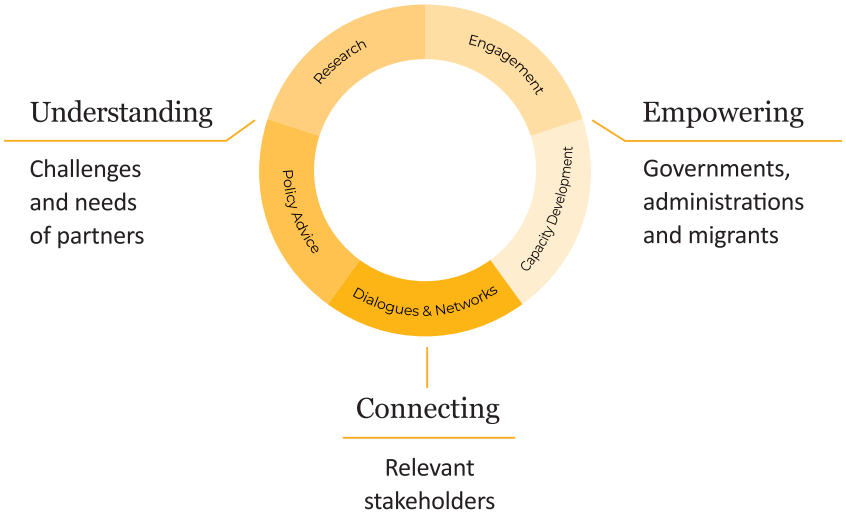
97	+700	€726m	21	+600	57
Projects in 109 countries	Cooperating stakeholders	Active project portfolio	Member States	Employees	Duty stations and centres

> Effective migration management is a fundamental requirement for stability, security and human dignity. At ICMPD, we take a whole-of-route approach: collaborating closely with all our partner countries — both within and beyond Europe — is crucial to achieving the best possible results for all.

Susanne Raab
ICMPD Director General

Approach

Using a holistic and whole-of-route approach, ICMPD understands the challenges and needs of partners, fosters connections and empowers stakeholders through projects and initiatives on the ground. Building on evidence-based expertise, ICMPD works alongside partners in the field, delivering solutions that strengthen institutions, build sustainable capacities and advance effective migration governance.



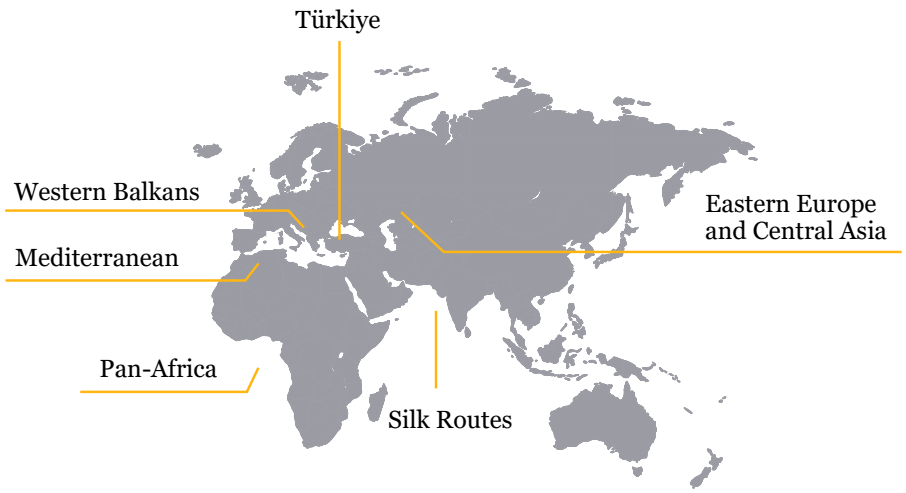
Fields of expertise

ICMPD's expertise spans the full spectrum of migration and mobility, combining technical knowledge with capacity building, practical implementation and procurement capabilities. Through integrated solutions, ICMPD responds to complex and evolving migration challenges across diverse contexts. ICMPD's key fields of expertise include:

- Border management and security
- Irregular migration
- Legal and labour mobility
- Return, readmission and reintegration
- Trafficking in human beings

Focus regions

ICMPD focuses its work on key migration regions while engaging in Global Initiatives that promote international cooperation and dialogue on migration.



Flagship initiatives

With 97 projects implemented in 109 countries, ICMPD's portfolio covers a broad range of initiatives across the areas of migration. ICMPD's flagship initiatives include:

Projects

Migrant Resource Centres (MRC) provide outgoing, intending and potential migrants with information on migration-related challenges and opportunities through awareness campaigns, community education, and reintegration support.

Ukrainian Consultation Centres (UCC) provide persons fleeing the war in Ukraine accurate and timely information of safe and orderly migration to EU Member States, as well as consultations on temporary protection, residence and potential return.

The Training Institute on Migration Capacity Partnership for the Mediterranean (MCP Med TI) provides quality assured learning and recognised qualifications for migration actors, from front-line government and NGO staff to decision-makers and thought leaders.

The European Legal Gateway Office in India is a pilot initiative that supports the European Union with a coordinated instrument to attract and facilitate the mobility of Indian ICT professionals, students and researchers to the EU.

The Border Management Programme in Central Asia (BOMCA) strengthens integrated border management, regional cooperation and border security by enhancing institutional capacity, addressing cross-border threats and supporting border communities.

The Global Alliance Rapid Response Initiatives (GARRI) deliver rapid, context-specific communication campaigns to counter mis- and disinformation on migration, supporting evidence-based communication and safer, better-informed migration decisions.

Event

The Vienna Migration Conference (VMC) is ICMPD's annual flagship event and Europe's leading migration forum, convening decision-makers, practitioners and thought leaders to debate global trends and the EU's migration agenda.

Publication

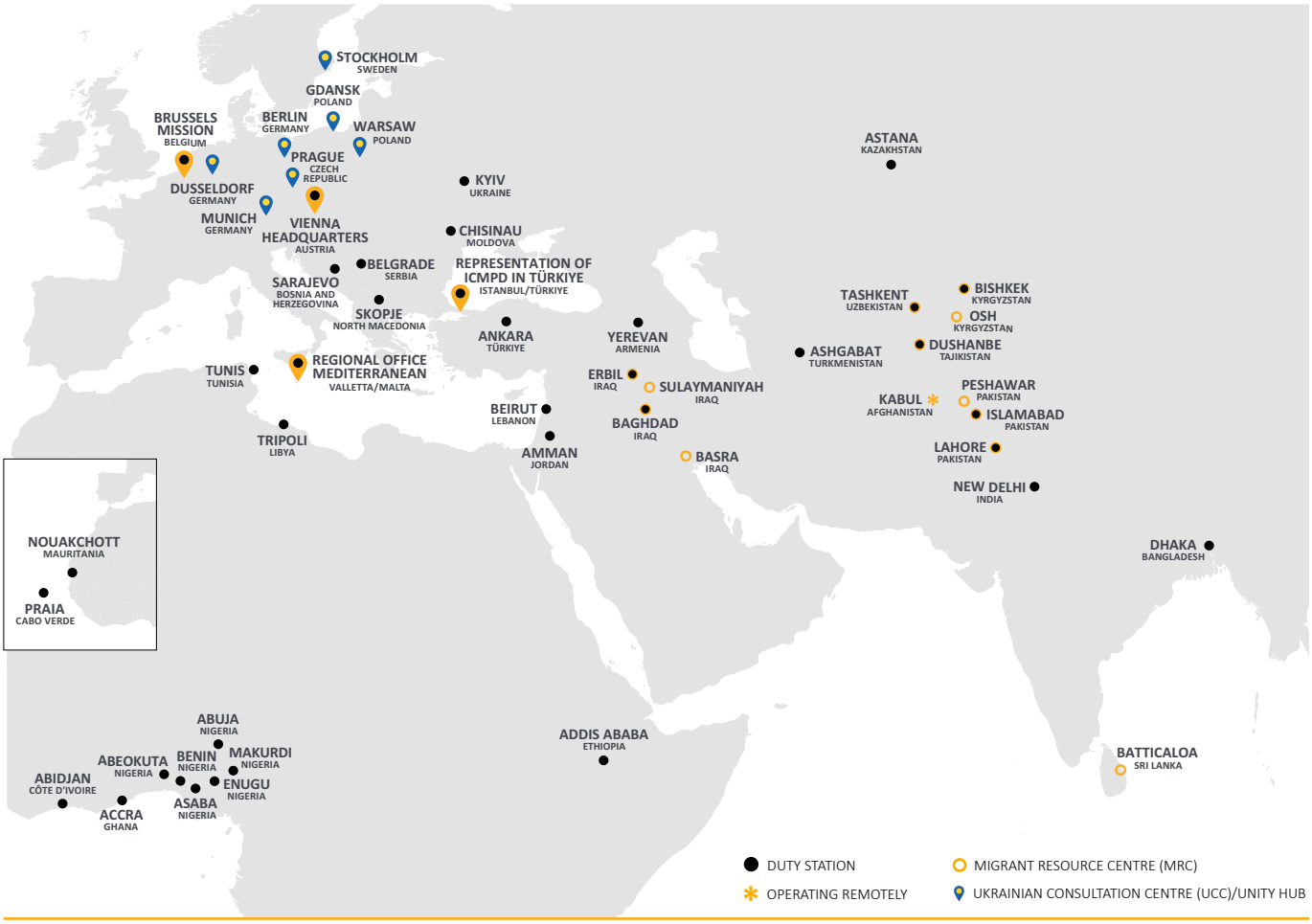
The ICMPD Migration Outlook provides a global and regional analysis of migration and policy trends. The report identifies key migration issues to monitor in the year ahead, highlighting emerging developments and events shaping future migration dynamics.

Member States

ICMPD has 21 Member States with diverse geographies, perspectives, and migration dynamics, within and beyond the European Union. The Member States are key to developing effective migration cooperation and building sustainable migration management systems. They set the strategic direction of the organisation, through Steering Group meetings, consultations and close cooperation.

Duty stations and centres

ICMPD is headquartered in Vienna, with a permanent mission in Brussels and duty stations and centres across its focus regions.



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