Migration Governance Strengthening Program

Objective
The objective of the program for strengthening migratory governance is to support and technically assist the development of migration policies and to strengthen the institutions of different strategic actors in order to promote organized and regulated migration in Colombia through adequate planning and administration of migratory policies.

Lines Of Action
- Support the Colombian government in knowledge management about migration in order to formulate public policies.
- Support the return and reininsertion of Colombian citizens to the country, such as humanitarian assistance for vulnerable migrants.
- Institutional strengthening regarding human trafficking and victims’ assistance.
- Tailored approach and technical assistance for the incorporation of a gendered approach to IOM programs.
- Support the development of the social and community infrastructures that benefit population groups affected by migration processes.
- Strengthen the border management with a focus on protecting the rights of the migrants.
- Provide humanitarian assistance to Colombians in Venezuela in the instance of international protection and for Venezuelans in vulnerable conditions.
PROGRAM PROJECTS

Institutional strengthening for cases of human trafficking in regions of Colombia with high indices of migration towards Central America and Europe – Colombia. Strengthen the interinstitutional coordination between relevant actors in the process of documentation and exchange information that is useful for the registration and assistance phases for the victims, as well as researching and processing of cases for traffickers through network collaboration strategies, standardized actions, and making available information about the crime in the regions of Colombia with high indices of migration towards Central America and Europe.

Support the Ministry of External Relations (MRE) in the implementations of actions against human trafficking – Colombia. Contribute to the development of a rights-based, gender, and comprehensive protection in the strategies and mechanisms of the Ministry of External Relations (MRE) designed to prevent human trafficking and to assist and protect victims who are living internationally within the framework of the Colombian state policy to fight against the crime, according to what is established in Law 985 (2005) and Decree 1069 (2014).

Support the Ministry of External Relations (MRE) and the Ministry of Work in the implementation of orientation and accompaniment initiatives for returning to work – Colombia. Promote orientation, accompaniment, and tracking initiatives for returning to work for the population that is accredited as beneficiaries of Law 1565 (2012) in the zones that are prioritized by the parties involved.

Support the Ministry of External Relations (MRE) in the development of a National Plan for the accompaniment of the productive return in Colombia for migrant and returning populations. Support the development of a National Plan for the accomplishment of the productive return in Colombia that offers entrepreneurship and business strengthening opportunities for migrant and returning populations who are accredited as beneficiaries of Law 1565 (2012) in the zones that are prioritized by the parties involved.

Fostering a South American (SA) Network for Knowledge Management (KM) On Tip Investigations and Prosecutions (SOI). Promote the development of a Knowledge Management network between researchers, attorneys, and judges in south America that work on TIP cases and that reflects the regional tendencies of TIP and the national priorities for strengthening capacities.

PRM Phase XIII Emergency assistance for individuals seeking international protection and community strengthening in Western Venezuela, Phase XIII – Colombia. Provide critical and coordinated humanitarian assistance in the short term and support the local integration for Colombians forced to migrate from their homes for the reasons of the conflict in the border regions of Venezuela (Apure, Táchira, Mérida, Zulia, Barinas y Trujillo).

AVRR Voluntary Return and Assisted Reintegration (AVRR) is an essential part of a comprehensive focus for the management of migration. Provide migrants with socioeconomic support in order to promote auto sufficiency and reintegration within the community.

Educational Improvement as a Community Stabilization Strategy in Border Regions – Colombia. The project objective is to contribute to improving the coverage and relevance of the education of minors in the departments and municipalities in Colombia prioritized by the Ministry of External Relations (MRE) within the framework of the Borders for Prosperity (PFP) plan and the “More and better school spaces” strategy.

Improvement in the quality of life of 1,050 families of the Tanela township within the municipality of Ungui, Chocó through the consultative design with the community for the supply of drinking water and wastewater treatment. Formulation and structuring of a comprehensive design for the supply of drinking water and wastewater management in order to benefit 1,050 returned families (7,000) and that are currently found located in a 350 hectare lot in the township of Tanela, municipality of Unqui, department of Chocó.

Institutional strengthening for the prevention of disorderly migration on the Colombian-Venezuelan border and the integration of migrant populations in the zone, with a tailored approach to women. The project will contribute to improving the socioeconomic conditions of the focal population in the border municipalities through the development of the abilities of the local authorities in the orientation of the migrant population, and with a special emphasis on women.

DTM Monitoring of the situation of the Venezuelans in the Colombian Territory through the Displacement Tracking Matrix (DTM) – Colombia. Provide a comprehensive panorama of the migratory situation in relation to the trans-border mobility in the border departments between Colombia and Venezuela and in intermediary Colombian cities, where the migrants establish themselves or pass through.