

Sustainable Development Goals

“No longer is human mobility seen as just background context for development, or worse merely seen as a consequence of lack of development. Rather, with the SDGs, migration is an issue to act upon to enhance sustainable development and IOM is an important actor both for advising on prioritization and implementation on the ground.”

William Lacy Swing

IOM Director General



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How are the SDGs reflected in IOM programmes?



Assisting vulnerable migrants and affected communities living in and around IDP settlements in health facilities (Somalia).



Conducting resettlement activities including teaching, cultural orientation and travel arrangements (Myanmar).



Empowering girls to address school drop-out, early marriage, and job segregation (Kyrgyzstan).



Conducting talks to benefit temporary and circular labour migration for returnees with new knowledge and education (Colombia).



Improving human security of vulnerable migrants by strengthening the response capabilities of governmental institutions and CSO (Mexico).



Upgrading shelters to improve the living conditions of migrants in cities (Syria).



Giving financial and technical support to fishing communities to help them set up alternative and sustainable livelihoods (Mauritius).



Providing survivors of trafficking with support for psychosocial well-being and economic reintegration (Ghana).



Supporting high-level forums on migration and coordinating multilateral partnerships with stakeholders.

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MIGRATION IN THE 2030 AGENDA



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The
**SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT**

GOALS

seen through the lens of

MIGRATION



SDGs related to MIGRATION

Goal 3 HEALTH

Migrants can be especially vulnerable to health risks. Migrants having reached their destination may not have access to health care. It is important for the well-being of migrants to improve access to safe, effective and affordable health care services.



Goal 11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES

Migrants help cities to thrive and become more vibrant, successful centers of economy and life. Local governments are encouraged to include migration and migrants in their urban development planning and implementation.

Goal 4 EDUCATION

Facilitating student mobility means providing more opportunities for youth in developing countries to study abroad.



Goal 10 REDUCE INEQUALITIES



"Awareness brings changes. Every migrant worker is a migrant hero"

#iamamigrant

Goal 13 CLIMATE ACTION

Migrants are often among the most harshly affected by climate-related disasters. To better protect them, we are strengthening responses to disaster and climate change.



Goal 5 GENDER EQUALITY

Migrant women and girls are especially vulnerable to human trafficking and gender-based violence. Supporting women's participation and leadership reduces the risk of gender-based violence and inequalities.



Goal 16 PEACEFUL SOCIETIES

Preventing trafficking in persons and offering survivors of trafficking safe and sustainable reintegration support efforts to eliminate all forms of violence against women and girls.



Goal 8 DECENT WORK

The importance of migrants in the global economy continues to grow. Ethical recruitment, humane working conditions and safe migration helps enhance the impact of migrants on development.



Goal 17 PARTNERSHIPS

Having specific and current data pertaining to a group's specific needs, especially in developing countries, helps increase the capacity to deliver migrant services.