

BORDER MANAGEMENT

Enhancing the Border Management Capacity of the Presidency of Migration Management (ENGAGE)

About the Project

This MPF Technical Assistance project aims to strengthen Türkiye's border management system by aligning it with European Integrated Border Management (EIBM) standards. Specifically, the project seeks to build the capacity of the Presidency of Migration Management (PMM) to effectively assume its new coordination role with various Ministries and agencies involved in border management. Additionally, it aims to enhance border management capacity along Türkiye's western border and strengthen regional cooperation with Greece and Bulgaria in the field of border management.



Stakeholders

The main beneficiary of the project is the Ministry of Interior of the Republic of Türkiye, Presidency of Migration Management, Directorate General of Border Management. Other key stakeholders of the project are the Ministry of National Defence, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of Trade as well as the Governorates and District Governorates in Türkiye's western borders areas.



Countries | EU Member States and Türkiye



Time frame

July 2024 – June 2027 (36 months)



Budget

EUR 9,250,000 (100% from BMVI)

Activities



Increasing the capacity of the Presidency of Migration Management (PMM)

To coordinate Türkiye's national border management response, the project will start with an inception phase consisting in reviewing and assessing the existing legal framework considering the national and international framework, as well as EU acquis and EIBM. This phase also involves establishing a Border Management Coordination Centre (BMCC) and support PMM in enhancing the skills and capabilities of its staff.



Strengthening Türkiye's operational border management capacity at the western borders

Starting with field visits to assess existing challenges, gaps, and needs, the project envisions the procurement of advanced border surveillance and border check equipment to enhance operational capabilities along Türkiye's western border, including at Border Crossing Points. Additionally, the project will provide targeted training sessions focused on the identification and verification of travel documents. These specialised sessions are designed to equip local staff with the necessary skills and knowledge to effectively manage and secure Türkiye's western borders.



Enhancing international cooperation mechanisms on border management

Meetings and workshops will be organised to enable enhanced cooperation on border management between Türkiye, Bulgaria, and Greece. Additionally, technical support and equipment will be provided to the staff of the existing Common Contact Centre for Police and Customs Cooperation (CCC) to improve information exchange and collaboration, aiming to strengthen cross-border cooperation and optimise the effectiveness of joint border management efforts.

The Migration Partnership Facility



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This project is within the framework of the Migration Partnership Facility (MPF), an EU-funded initiative implemented by ICMPD in support of the external dimension of the EU migration policy. Through its grants and initiatives under the Technical Assistance and Support component, the MPF facilitates the execution of projects to strengthen dialogue and cooperation on migration and mobility between Member States and partner countries outside the EU.

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