IOM SNAPSHOT JUNE-AUGUST 2023 UKRAINE CRISIS

MIGRANT PROTECTION AND ASSISTANCE - HUNGARY

As of 31 August 2023, it is estimated that around **6,203,300**¹ persons have been forcibly displaced into neighboring countries, with still more projected to move out of the country.

Around 3,387,325¹ persons have arrived in Hungary across the Hungarian-Ukrainian border.

Around 37,565 persons applied for the temporary protection status in Hungary.

KEY FACTS - IOM HUNGARY RESPONSE



20,955 SESSIONS

of on-site and remote information provision



1,004 SESSIONS

of Mental Health and Psychosocial Support counseling



2,071 PEOPLE

reached with Mental Health and Psychosocial Support



1,272 PEOPLE

provided with interpretation services



84,175 SAFE NIGHTS

of accommodation provided



710 PEOPLE

assisted with Protection Support



6,646 SURVEYS

conducted by DTM



14,994 FOOD VOUCHERS

distributed to beneficiaries



92 PEOPLE

received Voluntary Humanitarian Return assistance

The indicators represented are cumulative numbers covering the period between March 2022 and August 2023.

HIGHLIGHTS

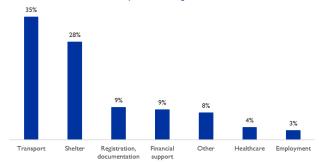
Information Point at Nyugati Railway Station

On 31 August 2023, Nyugati Info Point ended its operations. Between April 2022 and August 2023, the Nyugati Info Point assisted individuals nearly 11 thousand times with vital information. Notably, the two most pressing information requests were related to transportation and accommodation, both of which had a significantly higher share compared to other needs addressed during this period.

IOM Hungary's First Labour Migration Conference

Migrant workers in Hungary face labour exploitation risks, prompting IOM Hungary to organize a roundtable discussion in June 2023, supported by the Republic of Korea. Key issues discussed include language barriers, hazardous jobs, exploitation, higher scrutiny, and cultural conflicts. Ukrainian refugees, often overqualified for their jobs, experience skill mismatches. Integration challenges persist, necessitating support measures such as childcare and qualification recognition. Information gaps are common. Recommendations include depoliticizing the issue, simplifying regulations, and enhancing governmental capacity. IOM Hungary focuses on protecting migrant workers, promoting legal migration, and fostering integration. For more information click here.

Top 7 most important information needs at Nyugati Info Point requested by people arriving from Ukraine (%) April 2022 – August 2023





Panel discussion on daily challanges of migrant worker © IOM 2023



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Operational Activities

IOM Hungary has developed several activities to support crisis-affected people coming from Ukraine. As of August 2023, the ongoing activities include:

Information Provision through dedicated sites in the centre of Budapest, at Záhony railway station and via the toll-free hotline service. The Nyugati information point, which also extended its services to assist arriving Ukrainian refugees, operated until 31 August 2023.

Comprehensive **Protection** assistance to beneficiaries and direct case management assistance to people at risk. Increasingly, IOM and its partners are focusing on inclusion-related activities.

Mental Health and Psychosocial Support to adults and teenagers with individual and group counselling via psychoeducation activities that focus on stressmanagement, self-confidence and dealing with traumatic events.

Provision of **Shelters** to crisis affected people for short and mid-term, including transit accommodations due to continuous movement. Provision of short-term accommodation will continue beyond August due to continuous movement.

Assistance to Third Country Nationals (TCNs) through individual counselling on Voluntary Humanitarian Return to their respective countries of origin.

Distribution of **Core Relief Items** including vouchers for basic needs coverage, as well as snacks and hot meal vouchers, and hygiene items to various community spaces. Support of informal **Education** related activities in Budapest, such as informal classes, talent care and skills training.

Displacement Tracking Matrix in order to collect information on displacement patterns through face-to-face interviews based on intention and crossing back surveys.

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