

BORDER MANAGEMENT; CAPACITY BUILDING FOR MIGRATION MANAGEMENT



About the Project

Following a successful first phase, the 'Prometheus II' project aims at strengthening the capacities of Georgian authorities to effectively manage and control migratory flows. The project sustains capacity-building activities targeted at the Georgian Border and Patrol Police. Capacity building activities will be extended to specialized investigators at the central (Central Criminal Police Department) and/or local level (Adjara Police Department, Tbilisi Police Department), which will strengthen cooperation efforts with the EU and improve the capability of Georgian law enforcement authorities to respond to irregular migration flows and challenges. The project also includes support to the structural (re)organization of Georgian border and migration services and their respective operational activities, mainly the Border Management and Coordination Division within the Information Analytical Department of the Ministry of Internal Affairs, with the aim of enhancing investigative capacity to uncover and dismantle active organised criminal networks.



This MPF project is implemented by Civipol (France) in collaboration with the French Ministry of Interior and FIIAPP (Fundación Internacional y para Iberoamérica de Administración y Políticas Públicas, F.S.P - Spain).



Countries

Georgia, France, Latvia, Spain and Italy



Time frame



Budget

December 2022 – May 2025 (30 months)

EUR 1,199,845.76 (95% from ISF Borders and Visa)

Activities



Inception phase

The project capitalises on the activities and results of the previous phase. The main objective of this component will be to identify the beneficiaries - among the police bodies of the Georgian Ministry of Internal Affairs (MIA) - that will receive the targeted capacity-building as well as to assess their training and equipment needs.



Capacity Building

The Georgian Ministry of Internal Affairs (MIA) will receive intensive trainings in the field of border management, especially in relation to document fraud, behavior modelling, border analysis, human trafficking, and migrant smuggling.

In addition to the aforementioned activities, the project will undertake the procurement and delivery of relevant equipment to bolster the protection of Georgian borders and increase the detection of border threats. To this end, Georgian law enforcement officials will have an increased awareness and understanding of the established best practices in border management and the tackling of irregular migration. Moreover, Georgian Border Police deployed to the frontline will have an enhanced ability to identify and detect irregular border crossings, and/or organized crime networks at national borders.



Operational Exchanges

The aim of operational exchanges is to enhance coordination and mutual learning on border management, which will be achieved in several ways:

- (a) through the organization of study visits for Georgian officials in European Union Member States
 (France, Latvia and Spain) with a focus on the topic
 of border analysis;
- (b) by deploying two (2) Georgian migration and police officers to a French airport for six (6) months to facilitate strengthened controls, communication and information exchange at the border;
- (c) through the deployment and embedding of mentors from EU Member States into the Georgian investigative units to improve the capacity of Georgian law enforcement authorities to process investigations. This will entail a long-term partnership building intervention, with regular visits undertaken to support joint operations and information exchange.

Implemented by







The Migration Partnership Facility



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