

BORDER MANAGEMENT; CAPACITY BUILDING FOR MIGRATION MANAGEMENT

Strengthening the capacity of the General Inspectorate of the Border Police of the Republic of Moldova in “green” and “blue” border control (LatMoldova)

About the Project

This project aims to enhance the efficiency of the Border Police of the Republic of Moldova (GIBP) by bolstering its capacities in border management and combating irregular migration, smuggling and trafficking in human beings.

The Action will facilitate the implementation of the “Joint Declaration on a Mobility Partnership (MP) between the European Union and the Republic of Moldova” through targeted activities tailored to address various forms of irregular immigration, smuggling of goods, and small arms and light weapons (SALW) trafficking across Moldova’s borders. It will also contribute to dismantle cross-national criminal networks operating within the region and to strengthen Moldova’s border security measures, therefore enhancing regional security.



Partners

This MPF project is implemented by the State Border Guard of the Republic of Latvia in collaboration with the State Border Guard College of Republic of Latvia and the General Inspectorate of the Border Police of the Republic of Moldova.



Countries

Latvia, Republic of Moldova



Time frame

June 2024 – April 2026



Budget

EUR 325,997.65 (94.62% from BMVI)

Activities



Capacity Building

This component involves capacity building activities for the Moldovan Border Police, facilitated by Latvian experts. Among them, an awareness-raising visit to Latvia, comprising two missions tailored to different levels of GIBP commanding staff. Additionally, a technical advisory project component will support the development of a Moldovan Border Police regional unit responsible for blue border surveillance. In this framework, Latvian experts will conduct a first-level assessment mission to analyze gaps and needs and provide recommendations. A subsequent assessment mission is intended to assess progress and achievements made to this regard.



Enhancing Green Border surveillance

At least three service dogs aged between 12 and 18 months will be purchased and provided with a 12-week initial training program before being transferred to GIBP. Additionally, a specially equipped minibus capable of transporting personnel and service dogs, along with necessary maintenance equipment, will be procured and donated to GIBP.

Furthermore, three GIBP dog handlers will be selected for a multiplier training in order to enhance GIBP's ability to develop training competencies deliver further dog handling training. The training will take place over 12 weeks at the Dog Handlers' Center of the State Border Guard College in Latvia, utilising the Training of Trainers methodology and an approved program aligned with EU standards for border protection training.



Enhancing Blue Border surveillance

Two Baltic 95 type coastal patrol boats will be donated to the GIBP Patrol fleet. Additionally, a training program will be implemented for GIBP staff members to operate as a crew on these boats. The training will cover technological aspects, navigation skills as well as specific knowledge and practical skills required to handle and maintain the coastal patrol boats efficiently.

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The Migration Partnership Facility



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This project is awarded and contracted in 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, 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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