

INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR MIGRATION (IOM)





Migration For the Benefit of All





What we do

he International Organization for Migration (IOM) was established in 1951, and has been accredited in Uganda since 1988. As the UN Migration Agency, IOM is committed to the principle that humane and orderly migration benefits migrants and society. IOM Uganda works with the Government of Uganda, NGOs and UN agencies in various areas:

Immigration and Border Management



Working closely with the Government of Uganda, IOM is supporting the development of effective border management through the installation and adoption of effective technologies and procedures. IOM also provides support for the training of border officials in migration related issues, e.g. trafficking, and supports border assessment.

Humanitarian Emergencies



IOM provides emergency support to refugees and other stranded migrants by providing safe drinking water; strengthening sanitation, shelter, and primary health care; and conducting hygiene promotion and education.

Labour Mobility and Social Inclusion

Worldwide, millions of people work outside their birth country. But migrant workers remain vulnerable to extortion, exploitation, and human trafficking. IOM works to foster the synergies between labour migration and development, and promote safe and legal mobility pathways, as an alternative to ir-



Migrant Protection and Assistance

IOM supports the Government of Uganda in the implementation of counter-trafficking strategies to prevent and prosecute traffickers and strengthen protection of victims. IOM provides direct assistance to stranded Ugandans who voluntarily choose to return home.



Resettlement & Movement Management

For more than 20 years IOM has been providing wide-ranging support, including travel arrangements for refugees departing from Uganda to third countries. IOM also assists other categories such as economic migrants, educational migrants and family reunification cases in their application and movement processes.



Canada Visa Application Centre



IOM Supports governments and migrants by operating visa application centres (VACs). IOM Uganda's VAC handles administrative tasks of the Canada visa process and submits only properly completed applications, along with all required supporting documents.

Migration Health Division

IOM's Migration Health Division (MHD) delivers and promotes comprehensive, preventive and curative health programmes for migrant and mobile populations, facilitating both migrants and host communities to pursue socioeconomic development through the social, physical and mental wellbeing of migrants. IOM's Migration Health work falls in three broad programmatic areas: Health Assessments and Travel Assistance, Health Promotion and Assistance and Health Assistance for Crisis-Affected Populations, including COVID-19 response.



Migration, Environment and Climate Change (MECC)

Migration, Environment and Climate change (MECC) are becoming and more interlinked. IOM works to address human mobility challenges associated with environmental factors and to increase resilience and adaptation towards climate change.

