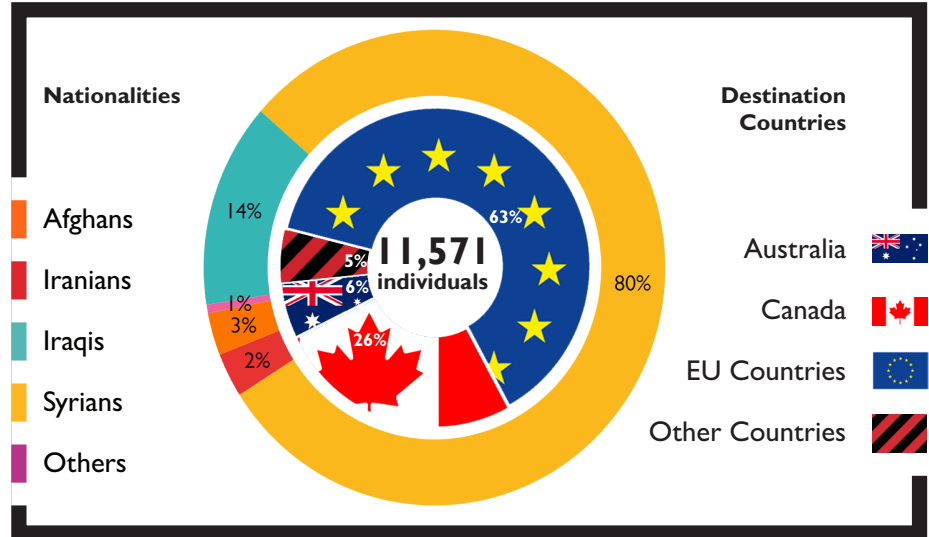


Highlights:

- Swiss Confederation-funded Adana Metropolitan Municipality Migrant Coordination Centre opened in November to improve migrants' lives and strengthen community ties.
- IOM Turkey hosted a visit by a representative from the Department of State: Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration in Gaziantep in November.
- In 2018, IOM Turkey's Community Stabilization team rehabilitated six schools creating spaces to provide an enabling environment for social cohesion in the community.

IOM Turkey Refugee Resettlements in 2018 Nationalities and Destination Countries



Global Migration Film Festival Events Across Turkey

The Global Migration Film Festival organized globally by IOM, features films and documentaries that capture the promise and challenge of migration and the unique contributions that migrants make to their host communities. IOM Turkey brought films and debate to over 500 people across seven cities in the country. In Ankara, a special photo exhibit, 'Migration with Dignity' and an engaging panel discussion was held at the French Institute. Events were also conducted across the southeastern provinces of Sanliurfa, Hatay and Adana in partnership with cultural, municipal and community centres.



Film screening in Kirkayak Arts and Culture Centre, Gaziantep
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UN Agencies Join Up to Provide Opportunities in Turkey

"Opportunities for Lives" was launched on the 19th of November in Istanbul, aiming to provide greater entrepreneurship opportunities for Syrians under temporary protection and Turkish citizens in nine Turkish provinces. IOM will work closely as an implementing partner on this two-year project, led by the International Labour Organization (ILO) under the general coordination of the Turkish Directorate-General for International Labour Force.

Funded by the European Union, "Opportunities for Lives" includes activities to increase economic and social resilience of both groups by strengthening opportunities for labour market integration. IOM will play a main role in delivering vocational, entrepreneurship and awareness trainings and provide business start-up grants and competitions. The nine target provinces are Ankara, Istanbul, Bursa, Konya, Gaziantep, Şanlıurfa, Adana, Mersin and Hatay. With a particular focus on youth and women, the project will partner with public agencies at the central and provincial level, municipalities, workers' and employers' organizations.



A group of young Syrian students attending a consultancy session to support their entrepreneurship project at Gaziantep University, ©IOM / Nadine ALLAHHAM

Safe and Secure Approaches in Field Environments (SSAFE)

SSAFE training workshops continued into the final quarter of the year in Gaziantep, combining theoretical sessions, demonstrations, group-work, practical exercises and field simulations to humanitarian staff from organizations working in the region. The training workshop is run by SSAFE Trainers certified by UNDSS and UNSSC that regularly run SSAFE courses across the world.

Training covers eight modules, including United Nations Security Management System (UNSMS); History, Background and Culture of the Host Country; Radio Communications; Personal Security; Weapons Awareness; Travel, Convoy and Vehicle Security; Hostage Survival and Incident Management and Basic Life Support. A total of 548 humanitarian staff took part in the training from different United Nations Agencies, Funds, and Programmes by the end of 2018.



SSAFE training helps humanitarian workers increase their personal security awareness and understand measures that can be taken to mitigate risks in hostile environment © IOM

Our Stories:Abdelkader

“Nationalities shouldn’t really matter, all that matters is how we treat each other as humans.”

IOM’s In-Kind Grants project seeks to support professionals in a trade like Abdelkader, who simply need the basics to begin working in their craft in Turkey again. The project team provided Abdelkader with a sewing machine and support to set up his business. Abdelkader now employs twelve staff.



Watch Our Videos!



A cut above the rest - Raad opened his own successful barber shop with IOM's help.



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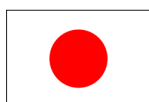
ILO and IOM partner to bring greater entrepreneurship opportunities to Syrians across nine provinces in Turkey.

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