

## Supporting the Government of Georgia in the Further Development of Border and Migration Management Capacities

**Period of implementation:** 01.01.2022 - 31.12.2024

**EaP countries:**  
Georgia

**EU contribution:** € 2 650 000

**Total budget:** € 3 250 000

### Implementing organisation(s):

International Organization for Migration, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees



### Social media account links:

Facebook "Visa-Free to Europe" (?????? ???????),

**Project website:** [georgia.iom.int/visa-free-europe](https://georgia.iom.int/visa-free-europe)

### Project description:

With the support of the EU, IOM and UNHCR will engage with the Government of Georgia in solidifying its capacities to strengthen the security of its borders through a vast range of technical assistance provision based on identified needs and gaps, while at the same time strengthening rights protection mechanisms. In parallel, IOM and UNHCR will enhance capacities of state bodies responsible for migration management to develop policies based on solid data analysis, while at the same time further developing potentials to manage (inter alia) labour migration, return migration in the context of Georgia's socio-economic development and the country's asylum system. Good governance, gender equality and respect for human rights will be overarching principles of all project interventions.

### Expected results:

This project aims to achieve increased capacities in the relevant state entities responsible for border and migration management to secure compliance with visa-free travel benchmarks. Key thematic areas of concern will be integrated border management based on identified needs and gaps, improvement of the asylum management system, technical assistance and public awareness-raising on visa-free travel to the EU, further development of Georgia's capacities to manage labour as well as return migration, while at the same time strengthening migrant rights protection mechanisms.