IOM Support to EU-Relocation January – December 2021



European Economic Area



2,853 beneficiaries relocated in the European Economic Area (EEA) in 2021





Relocations decreased around 7% compared to the same period in 2020

IOM's support in Relocation

Despite the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, relocation in 2021 represented an **important expression of solidarity**. IOM contributed to the **relocation of 2,853 beneficiaries from Greece, Italy and Malta to 16 EEA countries**.

IOM coordinated **regional relocation projects**, namely, RELITA (Italy), REMA (Malta) and Voluntary Relocation from Greece, supported by the European Commission emergency funding (EMAS), allowing for more harmonized procedures in the EEA. Other relocation projects were funded by EU Member States. Throughout the programmes, **IOM worked closely with involved governments and other partners such as UNHCR, UNICEF, and EUAA,** to facilitate the relocation of beneficiaries.

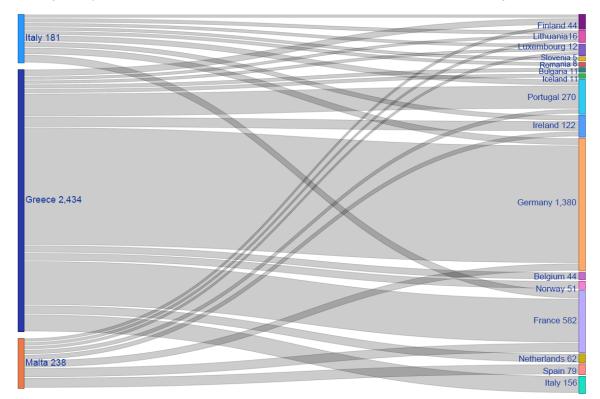
IOM adopted a range of measures to minimize the risk of transmission of COVID-19 during movements and predeparture activities.





Country of Departure

Country of Relocation





Beneficiaries Sex and Age



NOTE: IOM recognizes the diversity of gender identities, however for the purpose of the current the report a binary classification is used to match the available records.

Nationalities of the Beneficiaries

