



IOM International Organization for Migration

Voluntary Assisted Return and Reintegration Programme

Who are we?

The International Organization for Migration (IOM), is an intergovernmental organisation. Our headquarters are in Geneva, Switzerland, and we have offices in over 100 countries worldwide. IOM is committed to the principle that humane and orderly migration benefits migrants and society.

www.iomdublin.org

Thinking of
home?
We can help you get there.

Contact

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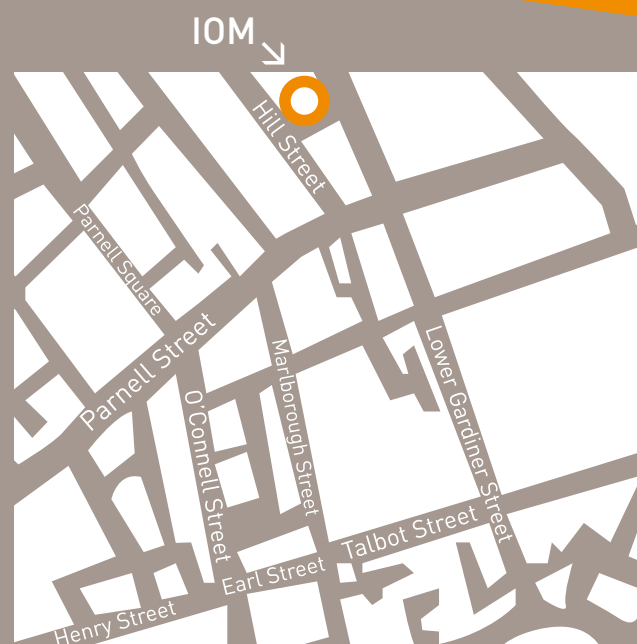
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Free confidential service

English



Who can apply for the IOM programme?

IOM helps asylum seekers and particularly vulnerable irregular migrants from non-EEA* countries who want to return permanently to their country of origin but do not have the means and/or travel documents to do so. IOM is not part of the Irish Government.

What are the benefits of the programme?

When you are assisted by IOM, you travel in the same way as any other passenger. The reasons for your stay in Ireland and your return will remain confidential and will not be shared with anyone in your country of origin. Your passport will not be stamped when leaving Ireland. IOM will pay for all your travel and any travel documents you need. *We will help you to return home only if you wish to do so.*

Does voluntary return affect a future possibility to re-enter Ireland legally?

If you return home voluntarily with IOM, you may apply to re-enter Ireland legally for the purpose of work, study, etc with the relevant visa at any time in the future.

Will I have to pay anything?

This is a free and confidential service, and you will not have to pay anything.

* EEA countries include all European Union countries, as well as Norway and Iceland. Nationals of Switzerland are also not eligible for the programme.

What happens when I arrive in my home country?

If you need assistance from IOM at the airport in your home country, we can arrange this. In some countries IOM has no office; so this may not be possible. If you need assistance to travel from the airport in your home country to your home, IOM will provide you with tickets.

How long will it take to organise my return travel?

IOM always aims to meet the needs of returnees and provides assistance in an efficient and organised way. On average the timeframe for the return is 3 weeks to 2 months. Each case is different so time frames can vary depending on the level of assistance each person needs.

Additional help following return home - Reintegration Assistance

Reintegration is a component of the programme designed to help you resettle in your home country. You can use it for education, professional training, towards setting up a small business, etc. You can apply for this assistance at IOM Dublin where we will provide you with full information. We will work with the local IOM office or partner organisation in your country of return to arrange assistance when you arrive.

Please see IOM reintegration leaflets for further information or contact our offices at the details provided.

How does it work?



IOM will provide you with free and confidential information. You can contact us by phone, by email or drop into our office. You do not have to give us your name when you speak to us for information – you can remain anonymous if you wish.



Following advice and information, if you wish to return home you fill in the IOM voluntary return application form. For a form:

- Call us on **01 8787900**
- Download from www.iomdublin.org
- Visit our office at 7 Hill St, Dublin 1



If your application is approved*, and you do not hold a valid travel document, IOM shall assist, where possible, in obtaining the necessary travel documentation for you. We will then book a ticket for your travel.



We can also arrange for IOM to meet you in transit and on arrival in your home country if you wish. IOM can provide you with a small grant following return home to help you resettle.

**IOM will send your application to the Department of Justice, Equality and Law Reform for approval. We will do this only after full consultation with you, and only with your permission.

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- Help with travel documents
- All travel paid for
- Reintegration Assistance