



International Organization for Migration (IOM)
The UN Migration Agency

RESTART II – Reintegration Assistance for Voluntary Returnees to Afghanistan and Iran

RESTART A NEW LIFE in AFGHANISTAN or IRAN

The project “**RESTART II – Reintegration Assistance for Voluntary Returnees to Afghanistan and Iran**” is being implemented from **1 January 2017 until 31 December 2019**.

If you wish to voluntarily return to Afghanistan or Iran, the International Organization for Migration (IOM) can help you to start a new life in this country.

How can IOM help me?

IOM can assist you in your **VOLUNTARY RETURN** with the following support measures:

- **Pre-departure information sessions** in Austria;
- **Family Assessment:** assessing familial situation in the country of return for returning unaccompanied minors prior to return;
- **Organization of travel** logistics (including purchase of flight ticket);
- **Departure assistance** at Vienna International Airport;
- **Reception assistance** in Kabul or Teheran and organization of **onward travel** to final destination;
- **Temporary accommodation** after arrival in the country of return.

In your country of origin, IOM can help you in your **REINTEGRATION** with the following assistance:

- **Post-arrival counselling:** Advice on opportunities and options based on the local situation, your educational and professional background and your life situation;
- **Financial assistance:** Cash grant of EUR 500 to address your most immediate needs following your return;
- **Medical assistance** if required;
- **Business Guides** and referral to **business trainings** offered free of charge;
- **Other in-kind assistance:** IOM can support you with one or more of the following reintegration measures (the total amount of their costs cannot exceed EUR 2,800):
 - Education and trainings [maximum costs. EUR 2,800];
 - Support for starting or joining a business (e.g. purchase of equipment, goods) [maximum costs EUR 2,500];
 - Accommodation [maximum costs EUR 300];
 - Child support [maximum costs EUR 300].



A combination of these measures is possible. For example, you can choose business support worth EUR 2,500 and education support worth EUR 300; or any other combination, such as education worth EUR 1,000 *plus* business support worth EUR 1,500 *plus* accommodation support worth EUR 300, etc.

Please note that in-kind assistance is not provided in cash; instead, payments are directly made to the service providers/suppliers.

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Can I participate?

Participation in the project is open to third country nationals who wish to voluntarily return to Afghanistan or Iran.

Please note that participation in the project is subject to approval of the Austrian Federal Office for Immigration and Asylum and available places. Your return counsellor can inform you about specific participation criteria.

Only one person per household is eligible to participate.



How can I apply?

Information and counselling on the possibilities for returning can be provided by return counselling organizations all over Austria. Their contact details can be found on IOM's website: www.iomvienna.at.

Your return counsellor will help you to fill out an application questionnaire.

Furthermore, IOM can provide you with additional information on this project and the available reintegration assistance.

Who we are:

The International Organization for Migration (IOM), which was established in 1951, is an intergovernmental organization that is globally active in the field of migration. Its headquarters is in Geneva.

With offices and projects all around the world, IOM works with international, national and local partners in various areas related to migration.

IOM is committed to the principle that humane and orderly migration benefits migrants and society.

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