

VOLUNTARY RETURN AND REINTEGRATION ASSISTANCE FROM THE NETHERLANDS

Assisted Voluntary Return and Reintegration Assistance (AVRR) is offered free of charge to migrants, irrespective of their legal status in the Netherlands. This includes asylum seekers, migrants in an irregular situation and migrants with a residence permit or related procedure. Migrants in (administrative) detention can also qualify for AVRR support.

AVRR is offered to migrants of certain nationalities. Citizens from EU member / European Economic Area (EEA) states, European microstates or a country in the top-35 highest incomes, are excluded. The country lists of eligible nationalities for return assistance and reintegration support are available on the IOM website: www.iom-nederland.nl. AVRR assistance may also be offered to migrants in a vulnerable situation, including migrants excluded based on their nationality.

WHEN CAN MIGRANTS MAKE USE OF OUR SUPPORT?

- The person requesting IOM's assistance wants to return voluntarily
- The migrant or his/her sponsor lack the (financial) means to organize the return themselves
- The Government of the Netherlands does not have any objections to the departure.
- The person has not received return assistance from the Netherlands in the past five years
- A valid travel document is available or can be requested from the relevant authorities.
- The application for return is not done under false pretences and the migrant cooperates fully with instructions of IOM to prepare the departure
- The return can be logistically and safely organized by IOM
- The migrant agrees to terminate pending residence permit procedures or a Dutch/EU residence permit after departure



WHAT KIND OF ASSISTANCE CAN WE PROVIDE?

- Information and counselling about voluntary return in the migrant's own language
- Logistic support to help prepare the journey, including the flight ticket
- Advice and, if needed, assistance with obtaining a travel document, including the reimbursement of associated costs
- Assistance during the departure and, if necessary, during transits and upon arrival
- A financial allowance to cover immediate expenses after arrival, including transport costs to the final destination (for eligible nationalities)
- Additional support for unaccompanied minor children, victims of trafficking and migrants with health needs
- Reintegration support (for eligible nationalities)

HOW TO GET IN TOUCH WITH US?

We offer consultation hours at various locations in the Netherlands, for example at COA reception facilities, immigration detention centres and civil society organizations. We can also visit migrants at other locations if it is difficult for them to travel, for example in an emergency shelter or a medical institution.

**For more information or an appointment with an IOM
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