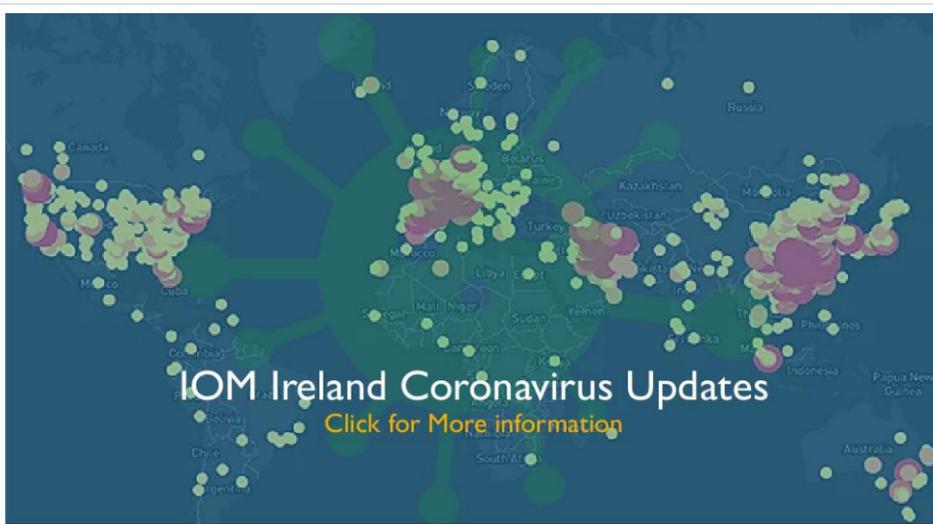


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IOM Ireland Establishes Migrant-focused Resource Hub

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UN Migration Agency (IOM) Ireland COVID-19 Update and Response

The UN Migration Agency (IOM) on the 25th of March joined the health and humanitarian community to launch the interagency [COVID-19 Global Humanitarian Response Plan \(HRP\)](#). The plan is part of a joint response by IOM and its agency partners mandated to address the direct public health and indirect humanitarian consequences of the pandemic.

Alongside, IOM Ireland is supporting the Irish Government and its agencies in disseminating and amplifying the response through national and international networks. Welcoming the Irish Government's commitment to broad care and economic support for migrants, regardless of status, CoM Lalini Veerassamy calls for all governments to show leadership in migrant inclusion [here](#).

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To watch the PROTECT video in English and in 23 more languages [here](#).

IOM Ireland releases PROTECT Sexual and Gender Based Violence Toolkit for Professionals

PROTECT - Preventing sexual and gender-based violence against migrants and strengthening support to victims

The recently completed project “PROTECT” aimed to strengthen national support services for victims of sexual and gender-based violence. PROTECT has made these services available to refugees, asylum seekers and migrants, be them children or adults and including LGBTI people. PROTECT also included awareness-raising activities on **preventing sexual and gender-based violence** among these communities.

In coordination with national authorities, first responders and service providers, IOM and partners worked together to tailor activities to the national contexts and implement, culminating in the [PROTECT SGBV Toolkit for Professionals](#) and a SGBV video available in 23 languages.

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IOM Ireland Migrant Forum

Discussions took place around how to better engage and provide services for migrant and migrant communities in need.

IOM Ireland's Inaugural Migrant Forum

Responding to both feedback received from partners, interlocutors and those working in the sector, as well as identified needs, IOM Ireland hosted the first Migrant Forum in January this year.

The event sought to bring numerous organizations, diaspora communities and governmental partners together to explore themes affecting migrant communities throughout Ireland and how we all could collaborate more effectively to offer the supports required.

Feedback was hugely positive and there was a consensus that there were many possibilities to collaborate in delivering services and representation to migrants and migrant communities around the country

The Migrant Forum series is due to take place around the country throughout 2020. Although IOM's next Migrant Forum was slated to take place on the 26th March, owing to the current public health concern, it has been postponed until a later date.

However, if you would like to be involved in the next Migrant Forum please contact edhala@iom.int



IOM Ireland's CoM Lalini Veerassamy meeting with President of Ireland Michael D Higgins

IOM Ireland's Newly Installed Chief of Mission

IOM Ireland greatly welcomes Ms. Lalini Veerassamy, who took up her role towards the end of 2019. Lalini has an extensive background in law and has held a number of high level positions in Africa, Asia and Europe. Her most recent posting was as Chief of Mission for IOM Djibouti overseeing disaster response efforts and multi-programme implementation.

Lalini's interests are labour migration, diaspora, human trafficking and smuggling and said 'I am looking forward to expanding further our partnerships with government, agencies, the exceptional NGO community in Ireland and private sectors to better support migrants in Ireland and further afield'.

Follow Lalini on Twitter - [@LaliniV](https://twitter.com/LaliniV)



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'Migrants Should Be Respected, All Migrants, Not Only Those Who Knock At The Door' - Renowned Migration Demographer Talks with IOM Ireland

'Data collection that is related to simply how many migrants there are, does not give you any indicators'.

Professor Michel Poulain, known worldwide as the face of harmonization of international migration statistics and also for the famous concept of life expectancy Blue Zones, sat with IOM Ireland to discuss the importance of data collection and collaboration to understand migrant needs.



'My fellow brothers need to know that this route is one of sacrifice. You don't know how you will die, but chances are it will happen' – Souleyman
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"QUOTE OF THE DAY"

"And the people stayed home. And read books, and listened, and rested, and exercised, and made art, and played games, and learned new ways of being, and were still. And listened more deeply. Some meditated, some prayed, some danced. Some met their shadows. And the people began to think differently.

And the people healed. And, in the absence of people living in ignorant, dangerous, mindless, and heartless ways, the earth began to heal.

And when the danger passed, and the people joined together again, they grieved their losses, and made new choices, and dreamed new images, and created new ways to live and heal the earth fully, as they had been healed."

- Kitty O'Meara, Wisconsin, USA

IOM Ireland – What We've Been Up To



IOM Ireland Chief of Mission talks about Trafficking & Smuggling and the risks migrants take to get to Ireland.

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IOM Ireland welcomes the Irish Government's commitments to resettlement in 2020.

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Lalini Veerassamy discusses the empowerment of women during keynote of Global Women's Conference for International Women's Day 2020.

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