



Why is support for voluntary return and reintegration offered?

Voluntary return* serves to enable migrants to return in an organized and orderly manner if they cannot do it themselves. The process includes:

- Unbiased and individual counselling
- An information-based decision
- Protection of the returnee
- Organizational and financial support
- Sustainable reintegration support

*Obtaining support for voluntary return and reintegration is dependent on meeting certain eligibility criteria, such as nationality, residence status and the financial situation of the applicant. There is no legal entitlement to support.

The information portal

Migrants who want to voluntarily return to their country of origin or want to move on to a receptive third country can receive logistical and financial support or, where necessary, in-kind benefits.

The **ReturningfromGermany.de** website provides up-to-date and reliable information about voluntary return and reintegration.

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Information portal on voluntary return and reintegration



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Counselling centres



There are more than **950 return counselling centres** in Germany, who advise on options for voluntary return and reintegration.

The information portal offers a quick and reliable search function that shows all available return counselling centres in the area.

Counselling via messenger in your native language

Virtual Counselling

Virtual Counselling allows migrants to speak with a return counsellor in their country of origin via messenger services on their smartphone or computer.

IOM return counsellors are based in more than 19 countries. They speak in the migrant's native language and provide detailed information about the return and reintegration programmes that are offered in the respective countries.

Assisted voluntary return and reintegration programmes



The information portal presents various programmes for voluntary return and reintegration. Some offer financial support or benefits in kind. Others offer opportunities for further training and additional reintegration measures.

Information is also provided on individual, social and psychosocial support or business start-up assistance.

Country information



The country information section on the portal offers comprehensive information about various target countries and regions. For example, it shows which programmes are available in a selected country, to which nationalities the programmes are available, and who can receive reintegration assistance.

In-depth information is available for more than 60 countries via ZIRF Counselling. It provides country-specific information on medical care, the labour market, the housing situation, education, training or social assistance.

In addition, IOM offers regular training courses on the IOM programmes.



The trainings focus on the REAG/GARP programme and how to submit an application, as well as on applying for support for vulnerable persons. These training courses can be conducted on-site or online. Interested in a training course? Then simply send an email to: iomdeschulungen@iom.int

Stay informed

Find out more about the various support options for migrants who want to return to their country of origin from Germany.

Visit: www.ReturningfromGermany.de

