

#### AROUTTIE

IOM's Immigration and Border Governance (IBG) Division supports Member States in improving the policy, legislation, operational systems, human resources and administrative and technical structures required to respond more effectively to diverse migration and border management challenges.

#### IN WEST & CENTRAL AFRICA

The Division's activities are in line with IOM's commitment to facilitate orderly, safe and regular migration and mobility. In West and Central Africa, IBG supports to strengthen the presence and capacities of the State at the border and improve border governance. This approach supports the implementation of the African Union's Strategy for Better Integrated Border Governance. This strategy is based on the 5 pillars below, which enable states to implement impactful interventions in the border areas.



Development of Capabilities for Border



Conflict Prevention and Resolution, Border Security & Transnational Threats



Mobility, Migration & Trade Facilitation



Cooperative Border Management



Borderland Development & Community Engagement

# The 5 strategic pillars of the African Union for good border governance

Source : African Union strategy for better border governance

### TOWARDS BETTER BORDER GOVERNANCE

Concious of the new migration challenges at the national, regional and international levels (peace, stability and security, health, economic growth, social cohesion, among others), through this Division IOM proposes efficient solutions to improve border governance and to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals and the Global Compact for Safe, Ordely and Regular Migration.



Immigration and Border Assessments



Renovation /
construction of border
control posts



Migration Information and Data Analysis System (MIDAS)



Capacity Building in Legal Identity travel document examination



Training in migration and border



Community Engagement



Humanitarian Border Management (HBM)



Health Border and Mobility Management (HBMM)



Border management for trade facilitation

### Solutions proposed by the Immigration and Border Governance Division

### KEY EIGI IRES (2020 2023)



## **IBG REGIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS**

110

Border Areas



Border Control Posts equipped with MIDAS

+6,5K

Officials trained

22

Crisis simulation exercises (SIMEX) at the border organised in the Sahel and Gulf of Guinea countries, involving border communities and authorities to prepare for and respond to migration crises at the border.

## **ACHIEVEMENTS BY COUNTRY**

137K

Persons involved in community dialogue activities between border communities and autorities in **Niger**  215

Persons trained in Migration and Border Management in Côte d'Ivoire

34

Border Control Posts (+ MIDAS) built in Nigeria

+30

Consultations that have strengthened cross-border and regional cooperation by facilitating cross border communication in the Liptako-Gourma and Gulf of Guinea countries.

### VOICES FROM THE FIELD



"The work at border crossings is very complex. The use of the Migration Data Analysis and Information System (MIDAS) developed by IOM makes our work easier and more efficient."

Sahoura Yahouza, Border Police Officer in Niger



"The awareness raising activities organised by IOM have have dispelled myths and misconceptions while promoting the adoption of preventive measures against COVID 19"

Mama Amedegbeso II, Queen Mother of the Batorme Community in Ghana



"In my opinion, the relevance of the project is explicit. With this project, IOM has created a dynamic that must be sustained and even improved".

Lucien Guenguéré, Haut Commissaire for the Province of Poni in Burkina Faso