

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER

GOVERNANCE

« A common vision binds us: the will to facilitate border governance following an approach that combines rigour in the fight against criminality, respect for the fundamental rights of migrants and the protection of border communities »

MATTEO PIANTEDOSI, Italian Minister of Interior in Côte d'Ivoire on 31 March 2023.



ABOUT US

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.



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

Source : [African Union strategy for better border governance](#)

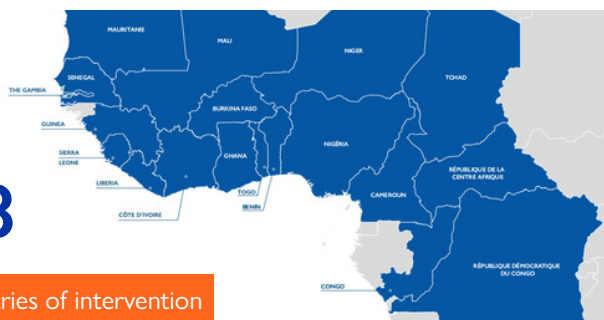
TOWARDS BETTER BORDER GOVERNANCE

Conscious 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, Orderly and Regular Migration.



Solutions proposed by the Immigration and Border Governance Division

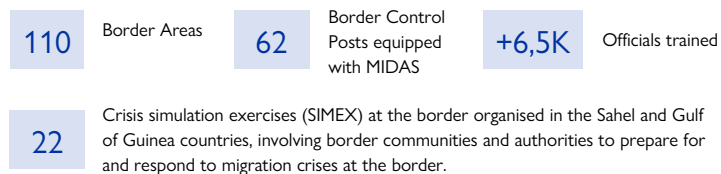
KEY FIGURES (2020 - 2023)



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Countries of intervention

IBG REGIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS



ACHIEVEMENTS BY COUNTRY



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 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