

Capacity Partnerships and Access to Information for Sustainable Reintegration of Returnees in Iraq (CAIR III)

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Project Overview



Country: Iraq



Donor: Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Denmark



Implemented by: International Centre for Migration Policy Development



Start Date: 1 November 2025



Duration: 48 months

Main Stakeholders:

- Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- National Security Advisory
- Ministry of Interior
- Ministry of Planning
- Ministry of Migration and Displaced

Project Snapshot

To contribute to sustainable and rights-based reintegration of Iraqi returnees while strengthening national migration governance and improving access to reliable migration information, ICMPD has officially launched the third phase of the “Capacity Partnerships and Access to Information for Sustainable Reintegration of Returnees in Iraq (CAIR III)” project, funded by the Kingdom of Denmark, effective from 1 November 2025.

Building on five years of ICMPD’s support to the Government of Iraq in strengthening the national reintegration framework, CAIR III follows the recently concluded second phase (June 2023 – October 2025). The new phase continues efforts focused on enhancing institutional capacities, promoting a multi-stakeholder approach to reintegration, and advancing awareness-raising and outreach for potential migrants and returnees through the Migrant Resource Centre (MRC) in Baghdad. In addition, CAIR III includes a dedicated workstream on border management, supporting relevant national authorities in strengthening border governance and operational capacities, thereby promoting a more holistic, human rights-based approach to border governance.



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Strategic Objectives of CAIR III:

1. Strengthening institutional capacities for migration management through training-of-trainers approaches, development of operational tools, and tailored support in strategic planning, with the aim of institutionalising reintegration expertise and reducing reliance on external support.
2. Enhancing access to information, services, and economic opportunities for potential migrants and returnees through MRC in Baghdad, functioning as coordination hub that link migrants to government services, civil society support, and private sector opportunities, while addressing information gaps and service fragmentation.
3. Promoting rights-based border management by strengthening risk analysis capacities, accountability mechanisms, and human rights safeguards within border authorities.



Project Alignment with National Policies

- Iraq Vision 2030 (Priority 4: Safe Society – Sustainable solutions for displacement and emigration)
- National Strategy for Migration Management
- Vision for Sustainable Reintegration of Returnees
- National Plan for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration (2025–2030)
- National Integrated Border Management (IBM) Strategy 2025–2030
- Iraq's role as a Champion Country under the Global Compact for Migration

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