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Overview of the 1035 Facility: Support to IOM Developing Member States and Member States with Economy in Transition

IOM is committed to the principle that humane and orderly migration benefits migrants and society. As an intergovernmental body, IOM acts with its partners in the international community to: assist in meeting the operational challenges of migration, advance understanding of migration issues, encourage social and economic development through migration, and work towards effective respect of the human dignity and well-being of migrants.

Summary

THE 1035 FACILITY PROVIDES SPECIAL SUPPORT to IOM Developing Member States and Member States with Economy in Transition for the development and implementation of joint government-IOM projects to address particular areas of migration management. Since its inception in 2001, the Facility has supported over 200 projects in various areas of IOM activity and has benefited over 85 Member States.

Through Council Resolution No. 1035, adopted in November 2000, the Director General was requested to allocate funds from the discretionary income of the Organization for the development of migration projects in favour of developing Member States and Member States with economy in transition. These funds are to be used for projects on the basis of equitable regional distribution, without prejudice to funds already allocated for these purposes. The result of this resolution has been the creation of the "1035 Facility".

The 1035 Facility has been operating as a mechanism for allocation of the funds designated for this purpose each year, as reflected in the IOM Programme and Budget document (Blue Book). In response to a request by Member States for additional funding for the 1035 Facility, the funding mechanism was expanded by a further funding line at the IOM Council in June 2007. This expanded 1035 Facility became available from 1st January 2008 and now includes two distinct lines of funding.



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Depending on the funding line, project funding is generally in the range of USD 50,000 to USD 200,000 for national projects and USD 100,000 to USD 300,000 for regional projects. Country eligibility is based on an adjusted version of the list of the low-income through to upper-middle-income economies as designated by the World Bank. Equitable allocation of the funds across regions remains a core management principle in assessing requests for funding under the 1035 Facility. Enquiries and applications are accepted throughout the year.



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The Guidelines Section of the 1035 Facility webpage (www.iom.int/1035) provides further details on the operation of the two funding lines, including eligibility criteria, funding limits and project tracking.

The 1035 Facility is designed to respond rapidly and flexibly to important migration challenges faced by IOM's developing Member States and Member States with economy in transition. These joint government-IOM initiatives have addressed needs in various areas of migration governance. Areas of focus for the 1035 Facility have included:

- Assisted voluntary return and integration
- Counter-trafficking
- Enhancement of inter-governmental dialogue and cooperation
- Labour migration
- Migration and development
- Migration and health
- Migration management systems, including travel documents, data systems, and border improvements
- Policy and legal framework development
- Research and assessment
- Training activities and training system improvements

How to Apply

A project for consideration can be presented by the government of an eligible Member State, including by its Permanent Mission in Geneva. A project may also be presented by IOM Field Missions, or by IOM Headquarters' departments. All projects are referred to the relevant IOM Field Mission(s) for coordination and support.

All submitted projects, including those submitted by the Permanent Mission in Geneva, must be supported by a written endorsement and request for 1035 Facility funding by the respective capital. In the case of regional projects, a minimum of two eligible and benefiting Member States must endorse the proposal. If regional projects benefit many Member States, the 1035 Facility management will request additional letters of support from a majority of the eligible and benefiting Member States and may require additional information on the expected outcomes and impact. Written endorsement should take the form of a letter to IOM from the cooperating arm of the government, citing the specific project and making specific reference to the 1035 Facility support. Governments are requested to assign a focal point for the project prior to implementation, in most cases.

Projects must be presented in the IOM Project Document or Summary Project Outline format, with complete budgets. Consistent with the standard IOM project development processes, projects should also receive endorsement from the relevant MRF. In addition, projects must be reviewed and endorsed by the relevant IOM Headquarters division or department before final consideration by the 1035 Facility management.

The request for funding under the Facility should specify the Line under which funding is sought (Line 1 or Line 2). In the absence of specific mention of a funding line, projects will be considered under Line 1 or Line 2 by the Facility management on the basis of the level of funding requested, the proposed duration of the project, as well as the availability of the funds.

Contributing to the 1035 Facility

Interested donors – including governments, organizations, foundations, trusts and other entities – are encouraged to contribute additional funds to support the 1035 Facility. Contributions can be made to the general fund for the Facility, or can be designated to thematic or geographic priorities. In the latter case, the 1035 Facility will manage the contribution toward the specific goals of the donor and will provide separate reporting on the contribution's use.