

START

Stabilizing at-risk communities and enhancing migration management to enable smooth transitions in Egypt, Tunisia and Libya - **Egypt**

- **Establish a web-based platform to better link migration and development in the medium to long term:** This platform, will be developed in consultation with relevant government agencies, Egyptian expatriates, international donors, local civil society organizations, trade unions and research institutions, and will provide a forum in which local stakeholders can present ideas and proposals to promote Egyptian expatriates' investment in local initiatives.
- **Support the government to strengthen the management of migration flows:** Under START, IOM will support the Government of Egypt's efforts to manage migration through the provision of training on a range of topics, such as: migrant registration and assistance; data management; risk management; search and rescue; and basic and advanced document examination techniques. IOM will also seek to strengthen migrant protection capacities through the provision of training to law enforcement agencies and recognized NGO partners. Complementarily, IOM will procure and deliver equipment to upgrade selected border crossing points. Recognizing that the three target countries are facing common border management challenges, IOM will also establish a technical working group / sub-group comprising Egyptian, Libyan and Tunisian officials, promoting dialogue and practical cooperation to counter irregular migration and protect migrants' rights.
- **Strengthen local services providers' – including healthcare practitioners' – capacities to provide direct assistance to migrants and enhance their readiness to cope with future migration surges:** IOM will deliver training, equipment and supplies to strengthen local services providers' capacities to assist Libyans and other migrants in Egypt, with an initial focus on the health sector. At the same time, IOM will work with governmental and non-governmental healthcare providers to strengthen their capacities to cope with future migration surges.
- **Support the Libyan Government to assess and address medium to long-term labour market shortages:** IOM will work in partnership with relevant ministries in Libya to assess urgent human resource gaps in critical sectors -such as health- and, together with relevant institutions, will facilitate the immediate and short to medium term deployment of personnel. At the same time, IOM will seek to engage Egypt as a sending country, and link government entities with their Libyan counterparts in order to examine policies and mechanisms to match labour market shortages in Libya with labour surpluses in Egypt.

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