



### Note for the File

<b>Event</b>	TCN Working Group Meeting
<b>Date and Place</b>	20.05.2022 12:00, Teams
<b>Attended by</b>	See participant list below
<b>NFF prepared by</b>	Natalie Payne IOM Poland

#### General updates:

- Reminder that IOM Poland's TCN Office Hours will take place on Wednesdays from 14-17. TCNs should book the time slot calling: +48 724 078 537.
- IOM is able to provide accommodation to TCNs for 30 days. Interested persons should send an email to: [kyunusakhuno@iom.int](mailto:kyunusakhuno@iom.int)
- All participants of the TCN WG are kindly asked to fill in the Service Tracking document with information available to TCNs provided by their organizations.

**Overview:** IOM Activities Supporting Displaced TCNs in Other EU Member States

#### Participant List:

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#### IOM Activities Supporting Displaced TCNs in Other EU Member States

- IOM Belgium and Luxembourg Country Office (Evi Vermeulen)
- IOM Germany Country Office (Welella Negussie)
- IOM Portugal Country Office (Barbara Borrego)

#### Meeting Minutes

##### CO Belgium Luxembourg

- TCNs need residence status in Ukraine, no option to safely return to country of origin (short term residents not eligible for protection)
- So far 40k have applied for protection (UA and TCNS)
- Gives right to education, healthcare, basic banking services, social welfare living wage, can rent property, follow an integration course (not mandatory), right to legal assistance
- Working with universities to allow them to resume studies in country of origin, but very early stage
- TCNs can access benefits as soon as they have their residence card A
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##### IOM Germany

- TCNs who were in Ukraine can enter and stay in Germany without visa or registration until 31 August 2022 - an exceptional extension
- Only spouses of Ukrainians or recipients of international protection can apply for TP in reality
- TCNs must register in order to have the right to work

##### Challenges:

Racial profiling

Wrongly advised to seek asylum

Passports seized

Student visa requirements under national law

Financial means and scholarships

Civil society actors and diaspora communities are very vocal about these issues

##### IOM Portugal



- Portugal received 37950 requests of TP - only 2768 are Tcns, mainly from India, Nigeria, Bangladesh, Pakistan, Russia and Belarus, who cannot return to their country of origin and benefit from a long stay visa - in theory should have permanent residence in Ukraine
- Request can be made online but all children under 18 need to be registered in person
- Allows access to health care, national user number, access to labour market and tax authority (automatic), access to education and Portuguese language courses
- Those with no resources have access to housing and social support, but civil society and diaspora communities responses were strong

**Challenges:**

Lack of monitoring by Portuguese government

**Important links**

Belgian information website: [Homepage - Ukraine \(info-ukraine.be\)](https://info-ukraine.be)

Results from the TCN Survey IOM Belgium: [Belgium - Third Country Nationals arriving from Ukraine in Belgium #2 \(25 April 2022\) | Flow Monitoring \(iom.int\)](#)

<https://info-ukraine.be/en>

<https://www.germany4ukraine.de/hilfeportal-en/basic-information>

<https://www.integrationsbeauftragte.de/ib-de/staatsministerin/war-in-ukraine-2008510>

The information material is available here for download: [Information for people fleeing Ukraine | IOM Germany](#)