

What assistance does ERIN provide?



ERIN returnees are offered reintegration assistance and counselling which includes:

- setting-up small businesses
- accessing the labour market
- job counselling/placement
- education or vocational training
- (temporary) housing
- social, legal and medical guidance
- tracing or any other personal tailored needs

Evaluating and benchmarking by sharing these services among the European partners will contribute to further enhancing a harmonized approach towards sustainable return and reintegration.

"The European Union is made up of 28 Member States who have decided to gradually link together their know-how, resources and destinies. Together, during a period of enlargement of 50 years, they have built a zone of stability, democracy and sustainable development whilst maintaining cultural diversity, tolerance and individual freedoms."

The European Union is committed to sharing its achievements and its values with countries and peoples beyond its borders".

The European Commission is the EU's executive body.

ERIN

- A European Reintegration Network
- A joint procurement process and reintegration projects in eleven target countries
- Providing return and reintegration services for persons who no longer have the legal right to stay in the EU, and who wish to return to their country of origin

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A joint approach to sustainable return



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European Reintegration Network

What is ERIN?

The European Union has awarded a financial grant for the development and implementation of joint reintegration projects in eleven third countries under the European Reintegration Network (ERIN).

The main concept of ERIN is to develop and implement reintegration projects through one joint procurement procedure. Seven European States work within the framework of one reintegration project, sharing the services of the service provider while implementing their own national policies in the field of reintegration. Evaluation and benchmarking of these policies will take further steps towards harmonization. All service providers are selected in the NGO/IO community in each third country.

The beneficiaries of the EC grant are:

- Dutch Repatriation and Departure Service (R&DS)
- Belgian Immigration Office (DVZ) and the Federal Agency for the Reception of Asylum Seekers (Fedasil)
- Finnish Immigration Service (MIGRI)
- French Office for Immigration and Integration (OFII)
- German Federal Office for Migration and Refugees (BAMF)
- Norwegian Directorate of Immigration (UDI)
- UK Home Office

How does ERIN work?

The main objective of the ERIN project is the sustainable return and reintegration of third country nationals who no longer have the legal right to reside in the participating EU Member States and Norway.

This will be realised through the:

- Establishment of a Joint Procurement Team that provides technical assistance regarding project development and implementation
- Joint implementation of reintegration projects in eleven selected third countries, assisting at least 500 migrants with their return
- Joint European Strategy towards the reintegration of returning migrants

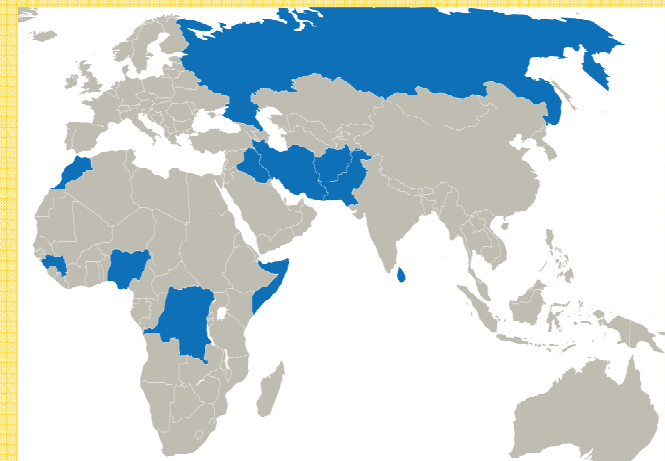
Third country nationals returning from ERIN participating countries are eligible for the reintegration assistance. Within a joint tender procedure, the service providers are contracted in selected third countries and the reintegration assistance is made available to the returnees in-country. Both voluntary and non-voluntary returnees are eligible for the assistance provided.

An evaluation of the ERIN project will take place in the foreseeable future.

Where does ERIN provide assistance?

Target countries:

- Afghanistan
- Democratic Republic of Congo
- Guinea (Conakry)
- Iran
- Iraq
- Morocco
- Nigeria
- Pakistan
- Russian Federation
- Somalia
- Sri Lanka



The ERIN project has two-year project duration, operating from June 2014 until June 2016.