



INTRODUCTION TO THE MIXED MIGRATION CENTRE

What is MMC?

MMC is a global network engaged in data collection, research, analysis, and policy and programmatic development on mixed migration, with regional hubs hosted in Danish Refugee Council (DRC) regional offices in Africa, Asia and the Pacific, Europe and Latin America, and a global team based across Geneva and Brussels.

What is MMC's mission?

MMC is a leading source for independent and high-quality data, research, analysis and expertise on mixed migration. MMC aims to increase understanding of mixed migration, to positively impact global and regional migration policies, to inform evidence-based protection responses for people on the move and to stimulate forward thinking in public and policy debates on mixed migration. MMC's overarching focus is on human rights and protection for all people on the move.

What is MMC's vision?

Migration policies, responses and public debate are based on credible evidence, nuanced understanding of mixed migration, placing human rights and the protection of all people on the move at the centre.

What are MMC's objectives?

The objectives of the MMC are as follows:

- To contribute to a better, more nuanced and balanced understanding of mixed migration (knowledge)
- To contribute to evidence-based and better-informed migration policies and debates (policy)
- To contribute to effective evidence-based protection responses for people on the move (programming)

How does MMC relate to the Danish Refugee Council?

MMC is part of the Danish Refugee Council. While its institutional link to DRC ensures MMC's work is grounded in operational reality, it acts as an independent source of data, research, analysis and policy development on mixed migration for policy makers, practitioners, journalists, and the broader humanitarian sector. The position of MMC does not necessarily reflect the position of DRC and vice versa.

Where does MMC work?

MMC focuses on the following regions: Eastern and Southern Africa, North Africa, West Africa, Europe, Asia and the Pacific, and Latin America and the Caribbean. The staff members of global and regional MMC teams are based in Brussels, Geneva, Dakar, Nairobi, Tunis, Bogota and Dhaka, where they work in close cooperation with regional partners, stakeholders and donors. Through the 4Mi data collection programme, a network of over 120 enumerators is collecting data on mixed migration in over 15 countries across different migration routes globally, conducting over 10,000 in-depth interviews with refugees and migrants on the move annually.

What is MMC's understanding of mixed migration?

"Mixed migration" refers to cross-border movements of people, including refugees fleeing persecution and conflict, victims of trafficking, and people seeking better lives and opportunities. Motivated to move by a multiplicity of factors, people engaged in mixed migration have a range of legal statuses as well as a variety of vulnerabilities. Although entitled to protection under international human rights law, they are exposed to multiple rights violations along their journey. Mixed migration describes refugees and migrants traveling along similar routes, using similar means of travel – often traveling irregularly, and wholly or partially, assisted by migrant smugglers.

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