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7	Germany	Federal Office for Migration and Refugees
8	Greece	Ministry of Public Order and Citizen Protection
9	Italy	Ministry of Interior
10	Luxembourg	Ministry of European and Foreign Affairs
11	Malta	Ministry for Home Affairs and National Security
12	Netherlands	Repatriation and Departure Service
13	Norway	Norwegian Directorate of Immigration
14	Romania	General Inspectorate for Immigration
15	Spain	Integration of Immigrants Migration Board
16	Sweden	Swedish Migration Agency
17	Switzerland	State Secretariat for Migration
18	United Kingdom	Home Office – Immigration Enforcement



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EUROPEAN REINTEGRATION NETWORK (ERIN) SPECIFIC ACTION – COUNTRY LEAFLET

SRI LANKA

(Also available in Tamil & Sinhala)

Post-arrival and reintegration assistance to Sri Lankan Nationals returning from Austria, Australia, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Romania, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and United Kingdom

APPLICATION AND ELIGIBILITY

Sri Lankan Nationals from Austria, Australia, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Romania, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and United Kingdom returning to Sri Lanka and wishing to benefit from ERIN Specific Action Program can apply to the program either with the ERIN contact in the ERIN partner country where they are located, or after their return back home at the local IOM office.

The eligibility to the project can be determined either before the departure by the responsible ERIN Partner Institution (EPI), or it can be confirmed by the EPI once the national is back in the country of origin. For this confirmation, the returnee must contact the local IOM Mission as soon as possible after return. The IOM ERIN Specific Action Program focal point will contact the EPI who will process with a verification check. When the EPI confirms your eligibility to the program, IOM can start assisting you with reintegration support.

IOM MISSION STATEMENT

The International Organisation for Migration (IOM) is committed to the principle that humane and orderly migration benefits migrants and society. IOM was established in 1951 to help governments to manage migration and to assist migrants in the migration process. Today, with 481 offices and representations across the world, and 165 Member States, IOM is the leading intergovernmental organization in the field of migration. Amongst other activities, IOM supports people all over the world in returning home and building a new life under its assisted voluntary return and reintegration program (AVRR), an area of IOM expertise that has been developed through 30 years of experience.

IOM works with its partners in the international community to assist in meeting the growing operational challenges of migration, advance understanding of migration issues, encourage social and economic development through migration and uphold the well-being and human rights of migrants.

ARRIVAL AND REINTEGRATION ASSISTANCE

The reintegration assistance package is delivered in-kind (unless stated differently in the National Annex) and the amounts vary according to the sending country, the national reintegration grants, the type of return, and the beneficiary profile and needs. Additional reintegration services will be provided to unaccompanied minor.

Upon screening, evaluation, and approval from the ERIN Partner Institution, as well as a further identification of needs done by IOM post-return; the following services are available for ERIN Specific Action Program beneficiaries on a case by case basis:

CASE BY CASE AIRPORT ARRIVAL ASSISTANCE

The following services can be provided upon request pre-departure:

- Meet and greet and orientation service
- Onwards transportation assistance
- Referrals to urgent medical care for treatment continuity
- Emergency temporary accommodation

REINTEGRATION ASSISTANCE

Post arrival reintegration counselling will be provided by qualified IOM staff in IOM offices throughout the country. IOM reintegration counsellors will inform the returnees and their families about the reintegration possibilities and will help them plan their reintegration strategy and how to spend their grant in the most thought through and constructive manner, taking into account their needs and background, as well as available resources (i.e. defined grants, individual capacities, and social and economic capital).

The reintegration grants can be used for the following reintegration services:

- Assistance to start, to re-launch, or to partner into a **micro-business activity** for economic autonomy and income generation.
- **Wage subsidy allowance** to encourage employment: IOM can refer you through its network of partners to potential employers. If you get a job, your reintegration assistance will be released as a salary subsidy/salary top-up.
- **Vocational training** enrolment to enhance skills and employability: trainings can be identified based on availability, prior work experience, education, interest, local market demand for specific skills.
- **To cover the costs of education and schooling for children**, and any required vaccinations and medical care.
- **Temporary accommodation** to respond to immediate material needs.
- **Medical costs** coverage (medication, consultations) to enable you access to healthcare upon return.
- **Legal/administrative costs** coverage to enable you to register yourself locally.

ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT AND REFERRALS

IOM can provide you with administrative support with, and referrals to:

- national, regional, and local services (governmental, non-governmental, private sector, etc.)
- local employment initiatives
- micro-financial organisations

- enrolment to schools and educational institutions
- educational and vocational training
- specialised medical assistance
- psycho-social assistance: IOM Sri Lanka staff is trained in this field by a specialised consultant
- local social network
- legal advice

THE PROGRAM BENEFICIARY SHOULD CONTACT THE IOM OFFICE AFTER RETURN AT:

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<http://erin-iom.belgium.iom.int>

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List of ERIN Partner Countries and Institutions

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1	Austria	1	Ministry of Interior
2	Australia	2	Department of Immigration and Border Protection
3	Belgium	3	Federal Immigration Office
4	Denmark	4	Federal Agency for the Reception of Asylum Seekers
5	Finland	5	Ministry of Foreign Affairs
		6	Finnish Immigration Service