



MIRPS Regional Action Plan

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Acronyms

CAJP	Committee on Juridical and Political Affairs of the OAS
CAM	Committee on Migration Issues of the OAS
CIM	Inter-American Commission of Women
CONARE	National Commission for Refugees
GRF	Global Refugee Forum
ICRC	International Committee of the Red Cross
ILO	International Labour Organization
IOM	International Organization for Migration
MIRPS	Comprehensive Regional Protection and Solutions Framework
NTT	MIRPS National Technical Team
OAS	Organization of American States
PDD	Platform on Disaster Displacement
PPT	Pro-tempore Presidency
RCM	Regional Conference on Migration
RTT	MIRPS Regional Technical Team
UN	United Nations
UNHCR	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees



I. Introduction

Background

The Government of Costa Rica, as the Pro-tempore Presidency of the Comprehensive Regional Framework for Protection and Solutions (MIRPS), has prepared this document to guide regional efforts in 2025. It is based on the principles of solidarity, international cooperation, and shared responsibility that have guided the work of MIRPS countries in response to displacement and mixed and successive movements in the region.

As highlighted in the Belize City Declaration, given the multi-causal nature of these mixed and successive movements, MIRPS countries have made significant progress in strengthening their asylum and refugee systems, addressing internal displacement, and pursuing durable solutions.

The Government of Costa Rica assumes the MIRPS Pro Tempore Presidency for 2025 with a firm commitment to strengthening the work undertaken by all MIRPS countries. It recognizes the need for a more coordinated, comprehensive, and effective response that addresses the root causes of displacement while simultaneously providing concrete solutions in countries of origin, transit, destination, and return.

The priority areas of this plan will be implemented in close coordination with the Regional Technical Teams, whose work is essential for the implementation of national action plans and for strengthening regional cooperation in key areas. This will contribute to a coordinated and effective response to the challenges of displacement in the region.

Additionally, the Regional Action Plan will support the follow-up on the commitments made by MIRPS countries at the Global Refugee Forum, both at the regional level—focusing on strengthening asylum/refuge systems, socioeconomic integration, local governance, and statistical inclusion—and at the national level, in preparation for the "High-Level Officials Meeting" in December 2025.

2025 Priorities

In line with the Belize City Declaration, the Government of Costa Rica presents four priority areas for its regional work plan:

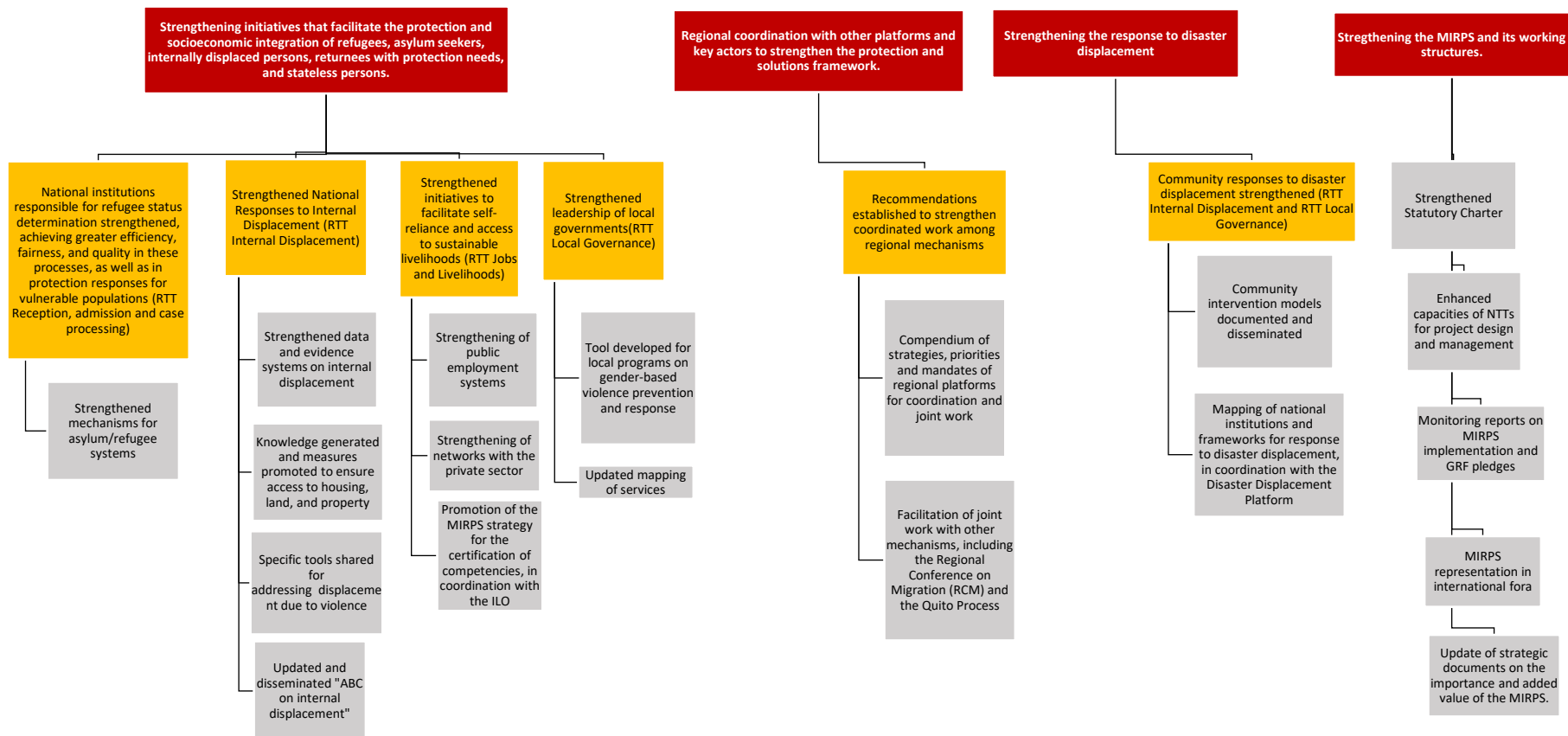
Strengthening initiatives that facilitate the protection and socioeconomic integration of refugees, asylum seekers, internally displaced persons, returnees with protection needs, and stateless persons.

Regional coordination with other platforms and key actors to strengthen the protection and solutions framework.

Strengthening the response to disaster displacement

Strengthening the MIRPS and its working structures

II. MIRPS 2025 Regional Action Plan strategic priorities



III. Expected results, objectives and products

Priority 1: Strengthening initiatives that facilitate the protection and socioeconomic integration of refugees, asylum seekers, internally displaced persons, returnees with protection needs, and stateless persons.
Result 1: National institutions responsible for refugee status determination strengthened, achieving greater efficiency, fairness, and quality in these processes, as well as in protection responses for vulnerable populations.
Implementation: Regional Technical Team on Reception, admission and case processing.
Outcomes: 1. Strengthened mechanisms for asylum/refugee systems: <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Trainings conducted on differentiated strategies for case processing in asylum/refugee systems.○ Training conducted on the modernization and digitization of case management procedures.○ Technical assistance provided to strengthen referral, counter-referral, information and documentation mechanisms designed and promoted.
Additional events to the ETR working sessions, linked to the Strategy of the 2025 Chair of the MIRPS Support Platform and subject to availability of resources: <ul style="list-style-type: none">● II Regional Meeting of CONAREs for the strengthening of asylum/refugee systems, in coordination with the Quito Process.● Learning Event on International Protection, in coordination with the MIRPS Support Platform.● Workshop on Gender Approach in refugee status recognition processes, in coordination with the MIRPS Support Platform (virtual).
Result 2: Strengthened national responses to internal displacement in El Salvador, Honduras, and Mexico, with significant advances in the generation of reliable data and community organization to promote the strengthening of the social fabric.
Implementation: Regional Technical Team on Internal Displacement.
Outcomes: 1. Strengthened data and evidence systems on internal displacement: <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Training workshops implemented on the use of data for policy planning and public services aimed at displaced persons. 2. Knowledge generated and measures promoted to ensure access to housing, land, and property: <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Training conducted for national and local authorities on measures to protect and guarantee the rights of displaced persons regarding housing, land, and property. 3. Specific tools shared for addressing displacement due to violence: <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Training in collaboration with the ICRC to address the specific needs of persons displaced by violence. 4. Updated and disseminated "ABC on internal displacement": <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Content of the "ABC on Internal Displacement" reviewed and updated based on recent developments and identified needs.

Additional events to the ETR working sessions, subject to availability of resources:

- Event/workshop on best practices for strengthening the social fabric.

Result 3: Strengthening initiatives to promote self-sufficiency and access to sustainable livelihoods for refugees, displaced communities, and stateless persons, fostering their socioeconomic integration and resilience.

Implementation: Regional Technical Team on Jobs and Livelihoods.

Outcomes:

1. Strengthening of public employment systems:

- Designed and provided trainings on public employment systems, including identification of profiles and specific needs of refugees, asylum seekers and displaced persons.

2. Strengthening of networks with the private sector:

- Organized dialogue table between MIRPS countries and private sector companies to raise awareness on labor inclusion of refugees, asylum seekers and displaced persons, exchange of updated information on institutions, labor opportunities and legal frameworks that promote effective labor integration.

3. Promotion of the MIRPS strategy for the certification of competencies, with ILO leadership and subject to availability of resources:

- Established the structure and governance of mutual recognition of labor competency certification.
- Institutional capacities strengthened to move towards the identification of profiles and criteria for defining sectors.

Additional events to the ETR working sessions, subject to availability of resources:

- Learning event on labor integration, in cooperation with the MIRPS Support Platform.
- Regional workshop on skills certification - roadmap follow-up sessions, in cooperation with the ILO.
- Regional Forum on Labor Integration, in coordination with civil society, private sector and academia.
- Launch of the MIRPS dialogue mechanism with the private sector. This initiative will be articulated with the progress made on this issue within the framework of Chile's Cartagena+40 Action Plan.

Result 4: Strengthened leadership of local governments and improved coordination with key institutions to facilitate the local integration of refugees, asylum seekers and displaced persons.

Implementation: Regional Technical Team on Local Governance.

Outcomes:

1. Tool developed for local programs on gender-based violence prevention and response:

- Technical guide prepared in cooperation with the OAS CIM, UN Women, and UNHCR, including systematized best practices for gender-based violence prevention and response at the local level.
- Training and technical assistance provided to local actors for the implementation of the tools.

2. Updated mapping of services.

Priority 2: Regional coordination with other platforms and key actors to strengthen the protection and solutions framework.

Result 5: Recommendations established to strengthen coordinated work among regional mechanisms.

Outcomes:

- 1. Compendium of strategies, priorities and mandates of regional platforms for coordination and joint work, for reference of future Pro-tempore Presidencies, the Troika and the MIRPS Support Platform:**
 - Reference tool to improve coordination and articulation among regional mechanisms.
 - Identification of opportunities for synergy and collaboration among key actors.
 - Established recommendations to strengthen coordinated efforts among regional mechanisms and review synergies between mechanisms at the national level.
- 2. Facilitation of joint work with other mechanisms, including the Regional Conference on Migration (RCM) and the Quito Process, on regional priorities such as strengthening national capacities for identifying vulnerabilities and protection needs of individuals at borders, family reunification, among others.**

Priority 3: Strengthening the response to disaster displacement.

Result 6: Community responses to disaster displacement strengthened.

Implementation: Regional Technical Teams on Internal Displacement and Local Governance.

Outcomes:

- 1. Community intervention models documented and disseminated:**
 - Technical document with successful community intervention models identified and systematized in the region.
- 2. Mapping of national institutions and frameworks for response to disaster displacement, in coordination with the Disaster Displacement Platform:**
 - Identification and systematization of national and local institutions responsible for attention to displacement caused by disasters.
 - Inventory of instruments, regulations and response mechanisms available in each country.

Priority 4: Strengthening MIRPS and its working structures.

Outcomes:

- 1. Strengthened Statutory Charter:**
 - Technical content contributed to the Statutory Charter to enhance the support provided by the Troika, ensure effective coordination among the three Pro-tempore Presidencies (PPTs), and systematize the Troika's outcomes in the Annual Report.
 - Technical content contributed to the Statutory Charter regarding the selection and leadership of Regional Technical Teams, ensuring their operability and effectiveness.
 - Establishment of the approval procedure for technical documents, including recommendation documents from the Regional Technical Teams, jointly produced documents with other regional mechanisms, among others.
 - Coordination of the relationship between the PPT and the Support Platform, Civil Society Dialogue Mechanisms, Private Sector, and Academia.

- 2. Enhanced capacities of National Technical Teams (NTTs) for project design and management:**
 - Training workshops conducted for NTTs on project proposal writing, in coordination with the MIRPS Support Platform.
 - Completion of MIRPS change theory analyses and results framework.
- 3. Continued reporting on the implementation of MIRPS, in coordination with progress updates on pledges presented at the Global Refugee Forum (GRF), including:**
 - Two semi-annual bulletins on the implementation of the Regional Action Plan, prepared by the Technical Secretariat.
 - Mid-year report analyzing progress and challenges, including national-level inputs.
 - Annual MIRPS report, including national-level inputs.
- 4. MIRPS representation in international fora:**
 - Session on MIRPS implementation at the OAS Committee on Juridical and Political Affairs (CAJP).
 - Annual session of the OAS Committee on Migration Issues (CAM) on regional processes.
 - Inter-American Forum on Internal Displacement with the Special Rapporteur on the Human Rights of Internally Displaced Persons.
 - Sixth Edition of the Inter-American Course on Migration and Protection, organized by the OAS in collaboration with UNHCR, IOM, and the University of Notre Dame.
 - Regional meeting between the MIRPS Academia Dialogue Mechanism and the Quito Process Academic Network.
 - Regional event on the Prevention and Eradication of Statelessness.
- 5. Update of strategic documents on the importance and added value of the MIRPS.**



MIRPS Representation in International Fora (modality and dates to be confirmed)

Activity
Inter-American Forum on Internal Displacement with the Special Rapporteur on the Human Rights of Internally Displaced Persons.
VI Edition of the Inter-American Course on Migration and Protection, organized by the OAS in collaboration with UNHCR, IOM, and the University of Notre Dame.
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Regional Event on the Prevention and Eradication of Statelessness.
High-level Officials Meeting, to follow-up on the Global Compact on Refugees (December).