SOCIOECONOMIC INTEGRATION OF VENEZUELAN MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES UNDER DECENT WORK CONDITIONS

The International Labor Organization (ILO) is leading efforts towards the socio-economic integration of Venezuelan migrants and refugees. USAID is supporting ILO’s programs in Ecuador and Peru.

**HOW DO WE CONTRIBUTE?**

ILO contributes to the implementation of the National Decent Employment Policy of Peru and the National Human Mobility Plan in Ecuador, as well as the fulfillment of the Sustainable Development Goals, in particular goal 8.8., referring to “protecting labor rights and promoting a safe and risk-free work environment for all workers, including migrant workers, particularly migrant women and people in precarious jobs”. ILO’s contribution is also aligned with the United Nations Cooperation Framework for Sustainable Development 2019-2022 of Ecuador, in its direct effect 3 related to policies and norms that favor the diversification of the productive structure, the generation of decent work and of sustainable livelihoods, and the economic inclusion of people, with equal opportunities for women and men.
RESULTS ACHIEVED

• Evaluation of the pilots of digital labor training and certification of labor competencies implemented during the first quarter with the National Program for Employability, including technical proposals to improve the access of migrants to said services (Peru).
• Technical assistance, in conjunction with the UNDP and the participation of the World Bank, to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs for the design of the National Strategy for the Socioeconomic Integration of the Migrant and Refugee Population of Venezuela (Peru).
• The capacities of the Regional Governments were strengthened through the diagnosis of needs for the adequacy of the Public Employment Services aimed at the socioeconomic integration of migrants and refugees in Piura, Lambayeque, and La Libertad (Peru).
• Reactivation of the Regional Council for Labor and Employment Promotion of the Piura Region through a Workshop for the promotion of green jobs and the strengthening of public employment services (Peru).
• Technical assistance to the National Superintendence of Migration of Peru, associated with UNHCR, to identify barriers in the legal recognition of documents of migrants and refugees (Peru).
• Comprehensive support for the qualification of 50 health professionals and 100 nursing technicians, for the exercise of their profession (Peru).
• Creation and formalization of the Association of Art Workers and Migrant and Refugee Cultures of Venezuela (Peru).
• Adaptation and implementation of the First Fair Contracting Course in Ecuador (in association with IAEN) and in Peru (in association with ESAN).
• 97 professionals from Ecuador and 57 from Peru, belonging to various public and private institutions, were certified as trainers in the ILO methodologies, GET Ahead, for the economic empowerment of women: IMESUN, for the creation and improvement of companies and Financial Education.
• Technical assistance to the Government of Manabí in Ecuador for the development of the public policy of human mobility; and to the Local Development Agencies of Guayaquil, Cuenca, Quito and Santo Domingo in professional certification services.
• Improving the business skills of 1,150 migrants, refugees, and vulnerable nationals in Ecuador and Peru through the Emprende Segur@ 2020 Program. 878 participants joined in 2021.

PROJECT INFORMATION

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