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International Organization for Migration (IOM)

The UN Migration Agency

IOM Capacity Building Assistance in Implementing Passenger Data (API/PNR)

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IOM at a glance



- The UN Migration Agency, 169 Member States
- Focus on project and programme implementation
- Solid capacity to implement large-scale technical assistance projects round the world
- Scale of programming: 2760 projects with total budget USD 1.6 Billion (2016)
- Worldwide presence:
 - offices in over 150 States and 400 field locations.
 - almost 11,000 IOM staff
- Demonstrated ability to deliver results in developing, fragile and security-phased countries
- IOM's IBM portfolio: total current budget USD 220 Million and 205 projects



IOM Support to ICAO TRIP Strategy Implementation



- IOM-ICAO MoU in November 2016
- Focus on technical assistance projects in supporting States in ICAO TRIP Strategy implementation
- IOM Action Plan for ICAO TRIP Implementation Assistance for the 2018-2020 Triennium
- A major focus area: passenger data (mainly **API**) implementation assistance



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Current projects



- **Western Balkans - Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro and Serbia:** legal and IT assessments, regional technical consultations; validation workshops on assessment results, forming and facilitating national API working groups – close coop with OSCE
- **Ukraine:** technical consultations, developing APIS procurement
- **Georgia:** API legislation, API working group, technical consultations, workshops, RFI and tender management, analytics
- **Azerbaijan:** API/PNR training for government authorities
- **Turkmenistan:** API/PNR legal assessment; API training co-funded and coorganized with OSCE.

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Three core areas:

- **Understanding API/PNR:** advocacy, workshops, technical consultations
- **Implementing APIS:** managing a procurement tender or services/equipment
- **Exploiting API/PNR:** analytics and risk management capabilities

Including, in particular

- Developing an implementation plan
- Legislative review and developing API legislation
- Creating a National API Working Group
- Assessments: technical, legal, etc
- Privacy and data protection – cross cutting activities

Main areas of assistance



Challenges and lessons learned

- **Misconceptions about API/PNR**
- **Inter-agency cooperation: a lead agency and Single Window**
- **Sustainability: data service fees**
- **Privacy and data protection: not just legislation**
- **Needs assessment – the foundation of success**
- **Need for an exit strategy when using data services**
- **Managing change**
- **Contact with carriers**
- **Vendor-driven API/PNR implementation - need for impartial technical advice**
- **Interoperability and data quality**
- **APIS implementation, API and ETA – need for guidance material**



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