

On the Move – Latest migration news

MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES IN SYRIA

10/05/2022-24/05/2022

- After the EU VI conference on the future of Syria international donors [pledged](#) \$6.7 billion to help Syrians and neighboring countries hosting refugees, but this is well below the estimates of the UN who asked for \$10.5 billion to tackle the humanitarian crisis in Syria. According to the UN, 14.6 million people in Syria rely on aid, over 90% of the Syrian population lives in poverty and about 3.9 million people in Syria go hungry every day.

05/04/2022-10/05/2022

- EuroMed Rights, together with 10+ other NGOs, signed some [recommendations](#) ahead of the Brussels VI Conference *Supporting the future of Syria and the region* promoting a rights-based approach toward the Syrian forced-displacement crisis.
- Between the 9-10 May 2022, the EU Commission will [host](#) the Brussels VI Conference *Supporting the future of Syria and the region* with the aim to “continue supporting the Syrian people in Syria and the region [and] mobilise the international community in support of a comprehensive and credible political solution to the Syria conflict, in line with UN Security Council Resolution 2585”.

22/03/2022-05/04/2022

- NHCR says Jordan has issued a record number of [work permits to Syrian refugees](#). The country is at the forefront of ensuring refugees and host communities have access to decent work.

08/03/2022 - 22/03/2022

- UNHCR, the UN Refugee Agency, [appeals](#) to the world to not forget or neglect the growing needs of displaced Syrians inside and outside the country as more than 13 million people have either fled the country or are displaced within its borders.
- In Lebanon, [Syrian refugees](#) expelled from the camps are bearing the brunt of the economic crisis.

22/02/2022-08/03/2022

- Voices for Displaced Syrians published a [report](#) titled Is Syria Safe for Return? Returnees' Perspectives. The report is based on the "voices, experiences, and opinions of Syrian returnees, IDPs, and residents, to establish whether or not the 22 Protection Thresholds established by the UN in its 2018 Comprehensive Protection and Solutions Strategy (CPSS) have been met".

25/01/2022 - 08/02/2022

- Severe [winter weather conditions](#) are heavily impacting people in North-West Syria. UNHCR reports that at least 229 IDP sites in the Idleb and Aleppo governorates were affected by snowstorms. Over 500 tents have been destroyed and about 9,200 tents have been damaged. Martin Griffiths, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator, [denounced](#) that even the minimum assistance is not being provided to people in Syria, due to insufficient funding.

11/01/2022 - 25/01/2022

- A court in Germany gave a life sentence to a former Syrian intelligence officer for crimes against humanity. The officer, [Anwar Raslan](#), was found guilty of the killing of 27 people and torture of at least 4,000.

14/12/2021-11/01/2022

- The Tunisian Navy was involved in a [pull-back](#) of 70 people who were stranded on a Shell oil platform in the Maltese SAR zone. Despite being informed, Maltese authorities did not intervene.
- Italian Foreign Minister Luigi Di Maio [stressed](#) the importance of Tunisia in fighting irregular migration, after a visit to the country in the end of the year. Tunisian President Kais Saied also highlighted the will to have a closer relationship with Italy in the future, also in the field of irregular migration.
- Tunisia's president Kais Saied [announced](#) a constitutional referendum next July 2022 and parliamentary elections at the end of 2022.
- Avocats Sans Frontières published the report 'Deconstruct the myth of Tunisia as a "safe" country'. Find the report [here](#).

30/11/2021 - 14/12/2021

- Amnesty International [denounces](#) how at least 27,000 children are being arbitrarily detained in the al-Hol camp in northern Syria in horrible conditions. Evidence of family separations, child labour, violence and even murder come out of the camp. Only 40% of the children in the camp are receiving education. Possibilities for repatriation or resettlements are extremely low.

16/11/2021 - 29/11/2021

- 19 organisations representing Syrian refugees co-signed an [open letter](#) targeted to the Interpol against the decision to make Interpol's information system accessible by the Syrian government. The organisations fear for the safety of refugees as the Syrian government may use 'Red Notices' to target and extradite refugees. The letter is available [here](#).

25/10/2021 - 15/11/2021

- Millions of Syrians are at risk for record [drought](#) in the north of the country. The drought is the worst in 70 years, and water shortages are becoming so critical that families are getting ready to move again, after already been displaced by the civil war and Isis's takeover.

05/10/2021 - 25/10/2021

- Thousands of displaced people are suffering from [water shortages](#) in northeast Syria.
- Syria's top diplomats [declared](#) that "Syria's doors are wide open for the safe and voluntary return of all refugees to their country", despite evidence of torture, arbitrary arrest, disappearance and death against returnees in Syria. On 20 October 2021, in its report ["Our Lives Are Like Death: Syrian Refugee Returns from Lebanon and Jordan"](#), Human Rights Watch [documented](#) "grave human rights abuses and persecution at the hands of the Syrian government and affiliated militias" against Syrian returnees.

23/09/2021 - 05/10/2021

- [Covid-19](#) is ramping up in Northern Syria where cases and deaths are increasing, and the latest victims were a 20-day-old baby and a 17-year-old pregnant girl.

6/09/2021 - 22/09/2021

- A [new report](#) from Amnesty International documents that former Syrian refugees faced torture, rape, enforced disappearance after returning home in Syria.
- On 13 September 2021, the U.N. Commission of Inquiry on Syria [said](#) that Syria is still unsafe for the return of refugees "documenting worsening violence and rights violations including arbitrary detention by government forces".

19/08/2021 - 06/09/2021

- On 24 August 2021, the Special Envoy for Syria, Geir O. Pedersen, [said](#) that "an uptick in fighting throughout the country led to some of the largest civilian displacements in a year".

27/07/2021 – 19/08/2021

- On 5 August 2021, heavy bombardment in Daraa killed dozens of civilians including women and children and caused the [forced displacement](#) of 10,000 people.

5/07/2021 – 27/07/2021

- On 26 July 2021, in an [article](#), the founder and chair of the Syrian Network for Human Rights (SNHR) denounced that at least 14,506 individuals died due to torture in Syria.
- On 14 July 2021, the European Asylum Support Office (EASO) published its latest Country of Origin Information (COI) report on Syria titled "[Syria: Security situation](#)".

8/06/2021 - 21/06/2021

- On 10 June 2021, the EU Asylum Agency (EASO) published its latest COI report on [Syria - Situation of returnees from abroad](#) confirming that returnees are being arrested, detained and tortured by Syrian authorities once returned.
- On 10 June 2021, a bombing on the opposition-held Idlib [killed](#) at least 10 people.