

BORDER MANAGEMENT/CAPACITY BUILDING FOR MIGRATION

Prometheus

 Project completed

About the Project

Through this project, the French Ministry of Interior with the support of CIVIPOL, aimed to strengthen the functioning of the visa free regime between the European Union and Georgia. This was done by systematizing information exchange and monitoring migration trends, in particular the number of asylum seekers, whilst also improving the process of exit control and pre-departure checks performed under the control of Georgian authorities.



Partners

This MPF project was implemented by the French Ministry of Interior in collaboration with CIVIPOL (France).



Countries

France, Georgia



Time frame

26 November 2019 – 25 September 2021
(22 months)



Budget

EUR 497,786.91 (95% from ISF Borders and Visa)

Activities



Inception

The project started with a needs assessment which capitalised on previous efforts, by updating and fine-tuning an analysis of the Georgian border control management, consisting of a review of the border management plan, air and land border control and existing vulnerabilities.



Documentary fraud training sessions held for 2nd line officers in Kutaisi International Airport and in the Academy of the Georgian Ministry of Internal Affairs by Latvian and Spanish trainers, Sept. 2021



Deployment of Georgian officer at a French airport "Marseille-Provence" for 1,5 months (mission shortened due to the Covid-19 pandemic)



Capacity Building

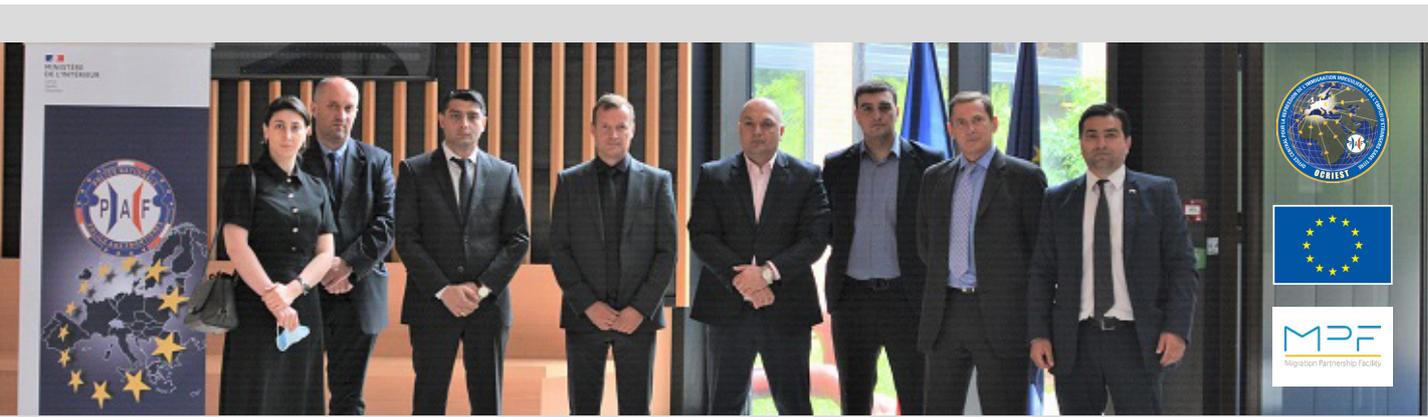
The Georgian border police received intensive training in the field of border management, and especially on behavior modelling, risk-profiling of travellers, document fraud as well as on Schengen rules for entry into the common area for each of the 26 Schengen countries. Workshops were also organised on the fight against illegal migration networks and on the new law on exit controls in Georgia.

During the capacity-building sessions, training curricula and materials have also been developed for future use and multiplier effect. Lastly, some technical equipment was purchased to improve the checks performed by the patrol police at the Georgian border.



Operational Exchanges

The aim of such operational exchanges was to enhance coordination and mutual learning on border management issues. This was achieved in two ways: (a) by organizing study visits for Georgian officials in France and (b) by deploying a Georgian migration and police officer in a French airport for 1,5 months to support the work of the French Border Police, and deploying a French police officer in a Georgian airport for 3 months to assist the Georgian border guards in their work of checking documents, certificates and justifications for flights to the EU.



Top: Study visit of a Georgian Delegation to the French Border Police in June 2021
 Bottom: Project closing ceremony in September 2021 in Tbilisi, Georgia

 For more information about the project

<https://www.civipol.fr/fr/projets/prometheus>

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