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## ABOUT THIS PROJECT

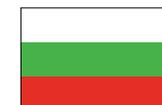
The project will contribute to the integration of third country nationals (TCNs) in Bulgaria, including migrants legally residing in Bulgaria, asylum seekers and beneficiaries of international protection, through raising the awareness and tolerance of the host society towards migrant communities, building a better understanding of cultural diversity and facilitating migrants' adaptation to the host country. The envisaged activities

will seek to ensure respect for democratic and human rights values, create a lasting climate of tolerance, solidarity, empathy and readiness to support TCNs' integration in Bulgaria.

The project aims to reinforce the two-way nature of the integration process and thus increase the confidence of TCNs towards the Bulgarian society and the host society's openness towards migrants.



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## WHAT WE DO?

Information campaigns on migration and integration, including:

- Multicultural events, such as culinary festivals, sports tournaments, dance workshops, film festivals, theatre and music events;
- Production and dissemination of information materials and videos;
- Seminars, conferences and round tables on integration topics.

### Guiding principle:

Respect for the rights of migrants and the preservation of their ethnic, cultural and religious identity

## WHAT WE WANT TO ACHIEVE?

- Facilitate the social and cultural integration of TCNs in Bulgaria, including migrants legally residing in Bulgaria, asylum seekers and beneficiaries of international protection.
- Increase the awareness of Bulgarian society on the positive aspects of migration.

## HOW?

- By introducing the needs of and challenges faced by migrants, in particular, vulnerable migrants such as unaccompanied children, people with disabilities, pregnant women, victims of trafficking in human beings, and others.
- By providing information and helping TCNs to understand the legal and administrative framework in Bulgaria.
- By introducing TCNs to the Bulgarian culture and traditions.
- By fostering meaningful communication between TCNs and the host society.

## ABOUT IOM

Established in 1951, **IOM is the leading inter-governmental organization in the field of migration.**

**IOM is dedicated to promoting humane and orderly migration for the benefit of all.** It does so by providing services and advice to governments and migrants.

**IOM provides humanitarian assistance to migrants in need**, whether they are refugees, displaced people or migrants in distress, through specialized programs for return, resettlement and social inclusion.

