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The project aimed to establish a humane framework for return assistance to irregular migrants in Albania, which would also alleviate the burden their presence represents for countries of transit and destination and contribute to the reduction of present and future onward irregular migration to Western European countries.

The necessary mechanisms and structures created to allow the voluntary, orderly and humane return of stranded migrants and victims of trafficking in Albania. 175 stranded migrants and victims of trafficking voluntarily returned to their country of origin such as Turkey, Moldova, Ukraine, Bulgaria, Romania, Sri Lanka and other countries of interest to the European Union. Temporary shelter and care provided to eligible stranded migrants until they depart for their countries of origin. Decrease of illegal migration towards EU countries. Links created between the voluntary return mechanism in place in Albania and the operational IOM reception and