

CAPACITY STATEMENT

International Refugee Rights Association



Who We Are? What We do?

The International Refugee Rights Association was established in Istanbul in 2013 to protect and defend the rights of asylum seekers who are displaced, unable to return to their country, and seeking asylum. In this respect, the main field of activity of our association is to assist refugees in need of legal assistance. In addition, our association also carries out studies in the context of the social problems of refugees. The Association supports the participation of Syrian women living in Turkey in education, access of refugee women to the labor market, and literacy education designed for refugee children. In addition, our Association has institutional contacts regarding our field reports study on 22 different countries with large migration flow, such as Afghanistan, Syria, Greece, the English Channel, and the Canary Islands.

Our World View
“Human First.”

The Coexistence! Always Possible!

We, as the International Refugee Rights Association, see refugees not as “poor” people to be helped, but only as people like us who have fled from war and persecution. We hope to see the days when they produce, make a living, have a warm home, have hope for the future, and lead a decent life. We continue our efforts to ensure that all refugees and immigrants who have been displaced from their homeland and migrated to Turkey and all over the world are protected, especially ensuring that their right to life is not violated and that they are treated in a humane and dignified manner.

In Which Areas Do We Conduct Works?

Legal Support

We provide legal assistance and consultancy to all foreigners who have had to leave their country for justified reasons, regardless of their race, language, and religion, in order to solve their legal problems.

Research & Reporting

We conduct research on refugees in order to improve their rights and conditions by identifying the legal, socio-cultural, and economic problems of refugees so that states can develop policies and mechanisms to remedy their situation. We shed light on the migration agenda by sharing the research results with the public through publications such as reports, information notes, and analyses based on scientific and numerical data. Furthermore, we seek to raise public awareness about the migration flow in social media with podcasts and YouTube live streams.

Education

We provide basic classes to refugee children and teens with the aid of volunteer teachers, instructors, lecturers, and psychologists and we raise awareness of the public on migration via projects that contribute to their right to access to education and teaching. We organize focus group meetings, workshops, panels, and seminars that will increase cooperation and awareness.

Social Activities

We are aware that social assistance is not sustainable method. Therefore, our primary goal is to ensure that refugees have a self-sufficient and decent life. Besides providing the primary support through which refugees can hold on to life, we carry out activities that will raise awareness among the public. In addition to humanitarian aid, we also provide psychosocial support through offering entertainment for children, handicraft workshops for women, and camp visits.

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