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Highlights

EGRISS 2025 Annual Report



The EGRISS 2025 Annual Report, entitled ***Sustaining progress amid global volatility: Advancing statistical inclusion at the close of our third mandate*** is out, highlighting the main achievements and collective work of the group last year. With a foreword co-signed by the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) and the UN Refugee Agency (UNHCR), this document demonstrates EGRISS' resilience in a tumultuous year, showcasing key achievements across five interconnected workstreams and in-depth implementation case studies from **the Philippines, Mexico, Kenya, Mali, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, and UNHCR.**

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2025 GAIN Survey results

Results from the 2025 Global Annual Inclusion (GAIN) Survey show are now available, with 117 examples reported. Among all the examples reported in 2025, the majority (91) used at least one set of the International Recommendations. Of these, 51 were led by countries and 40 by institutions. The International Recommendations on Internally Displaced Persons Statistics (**IRIS**) were the most widely used (34 examples), followed by the by the International Recommendations on Refugee Statistics (**IRRS**), with 27 entrances, and the International Recommendations on Statelessness Statistics (**IROSS**), which registered 2.



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Activities

A new Training Package on Forced Displacement and Statelessness Statistics

EGRISS convened a **validation meeting to review and refine a Training Package** being developed in collaboration with multiple partners. Hosted by the Kenya National Bureau of Statistics (**KNBS**) in Nairobi, the meeting brought together 23 participants from 17 National Statistical Offices, regional bodies, and international organisations, allowing a range of expertise to meaningfully inform the discussions. The Package complements the **Compilers' Manual** and the **e-learning course** and is designed for in-person delivery within different national, regional and institutional contexts. Its modular structure allows for adaptation to contexts, thereby promoting efficient, sustainable and context relevant capacity development. Launch is expected in June.

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New UNECE Task Force on Refugee, IDP and Statelessness Statistics



The Bureau of the Conference of European Statisticians (**CES**) approved the **Terms of Reference** for a new Task Force on Statistics on Refugees, Internally Displaced Persons, and Statelessness. The document was prepared jointly by the **EGRISS Regional Task Team for Europe**, UNHCR, and UNECE, building on the work carried out by the Regional Task Team and on the outcomes of the **2024 Workshop on the implementation of the International Recommendations in the region**.

Established for the period March 2026 to June 2028, the Task Force's objective is to improve the coverage, quality and comparability of statistics on refugees, IDPs and stateless persons in the region, while contributing to regional and global knowledge-sharing and capacity development.

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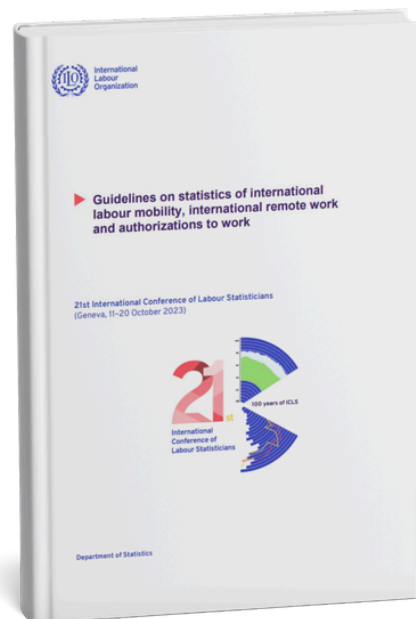
A more interactive experience in our website

As EGRISS marks its tenth anniversary, our website has been refreshed to create a more user-friendly, interactive, and accessible experience while preserving the essence of our work and mission. New sections have been added to highlight our activities, and, overall, the revamped platform makes it easier to explore resources, case studies, publications, and country experiences. We invite you to navigate through the different pages, discover the latest content, and engage with the growing body of knowledge on statistics related to forced displacement and statelessness. Feedback is also welcomed.

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The revised International Conference of Labour Statisticians' (ICLS) 21st Guidelines on statistics of international labour mobility, international remote work and authorizations to work reflect IRRS and IROSS guidance on the coverage and statistical treatment of refugees, asylum seekers, stateless persons, and other related groups within national programmes of labour migration statistics. They also draw on EGRISS recommendations to better specify priority data items for the separate identification of these populations and to monitor their labour market integration alongside other migrants and non-migrants. These Guidelines present another significant achievement in EGRISS' efforts to integrate its Recommendations into complementary frameworks and standards.



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Implementation examples

The Philippines

Expanding civil registration and administrative records to include people at risk of statelessness



The Philippines has strengthened its civil registration and administrative systems to reduce the risk of statelessness and improve legal identity recognition, particularly among vulnerable and hard-to-reach populations, in line with the IROSS. Through the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) leadership in a series of statistical activities, the country has aligned its efforts with the **Civil Registration and Vital Statistics (CRVS) Decade for Asia and the Pacific** and the National Action Plan to End Statelessness. This experience demonstrates how inclusive civil registration systems can serve as powerful tools for protection, recognition, and social inclusion.

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Aligning UNHCR's statistics with the IRRS, IRIS, and IROSS

Launching a new series of institutional **case studies** (to complement a growing collection of country examples), UNHCR's case study showcases the Agency's experience assessing how well its global statistics align with the IRRS, IRIS, and IROSS. The review compared definitions, population categories, and statistical frameworks, identifying a high level of alignment with IRRS and IROSS and highlighting areas for improvement with short, medium and long-term goals. The exercise resulted in concrete recommendations and the development of an internal dashboard to support decision-making and implementation.

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Resources

The World Bank: Building Statelessness-Sensitive ID Systems

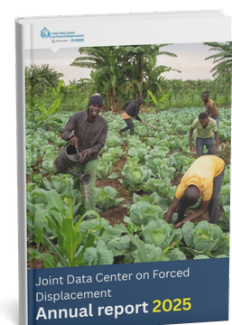
This guidance note from the World Bank's Identification for Development (ID4D) initiative, developed in close collaboration with the UNHCR, recommends that governments apply the IROSS to strengthen national data on statelessness, noting that "quantitative data on statelessness can be strengthened if National Statistical Offices apply the International Recommendations on Statelessness Statistics by IROSS, 2023." In addition, the document's conceptual framework and terminology are fully aligned with the IROSS.

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JDC: 2025 Annual Report

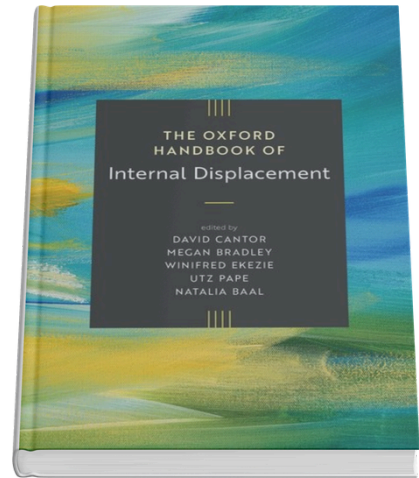
The Joint Data Center's (JDC) on Forced Displacement annual report highlights the significant progress achieved over the past year in collecting and analysing data on forcibly displaced people, generating insights, and disseminating knowledge to inform policy decisions and support humanitarian and development responses.

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Oxford University Press: The Oxford Handbook of Internal Displacement

This handbook provides an interdisciplinary examination of internal displacement, bringing together scholarship from history, economics, sociology, law, public health, geography, humanitarian studies, development and peacebuilding, among others. Notably, the Handbook includes a dedicated section on “durable solutions” and “data” both of which include chapters which link to EGRISS’ efforts to strengthen national IDP statistics, improve national solutions monitoring efforts, and de-politicize the displacement data landscape through the promotion of common frameworks and definitions.



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Upcoming 

Publication of the 2025 GAIN Tables

The 2025 edition of the GAIN Tables will soon be published, providing a structured overview of results, including trends in the use of IRRS, IRIS, and IROSS frameworks, country- and institution-led examples, methodological developments, and related EGRISS outputs. The publication also includes expanded tables, maps, and visual snapshots to support deeper analysis and broader use of GAIN data.

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4th Research Conference on Forced Displacement

Date: 4-6 June, 2026

Location: Bangkok, Thailand

Organised by the JDC in collaboration with the Faculty of Economics at Chulalongkorn University, UNHCR, and the World Bank, the conference provides a platform for engagement between researchers and practitioners, while highlighting thematic, population, and geographic gaps in the evidence base. This year, the conference will feature a panel discussion dedicated to statistical inclusion.

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About EGRISS

The Expert Group on Refugee, Internally Displaced Persons, and Statelessness Statistics (EGRISS) is a multi-stakeholder group mandated by the UN Statistical Commission to develop and support the implementation of international statistical recommendations on refugee, IDP, and statelessness statistics. EGRISS was established in 2016 and currently includes 62 countries and 40 institutional partners. The group aims to improve the quality and availability of official statistics on these populations by advocating for and supporting their inclusion in national statistical systems, to help ensure they are not left behind as countries work to achieve their development goals.



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