



## SNAPSHOT

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Countries covered in SEECA region

US\$ 59,244,000

Funding needs

US\$ 23,074,633

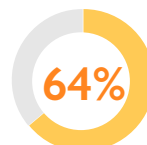
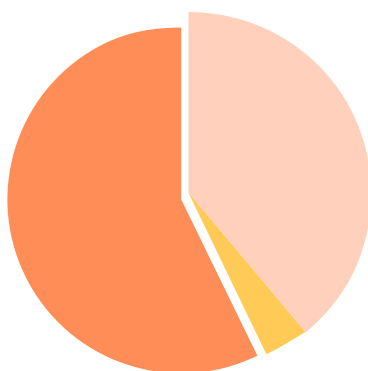
Funding confirmed and in pipeline

725,885

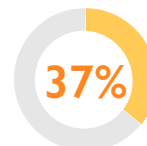
Cases

11,851

Deaths



of points of entry assessed have at least one public health measure



of airports assessed in the region remain closed

39% Confirmed funding and funding in pipeline

4% Funding reprogrammed

57% Funding gap

## LATEST NEWS



Health authorities in **Armenia** have reported a record number of daily coronavirus infections and deaths amid a steady growth of cases since the government began easing lockdown in mid-April.



**Georgia** marked its Independence Day on May 26 without public events due to measures imposed to slow the spread of the virus.



**Kosovo's\*** land borders have reopened, as have nurseries, cafes, bars, restaurants and shopping malls. Schools are projected to open on 15 June.



No confirmed cases were registered in **Montenegro** on May 25, the day after the last known coronavirus-infected patient had recovered.



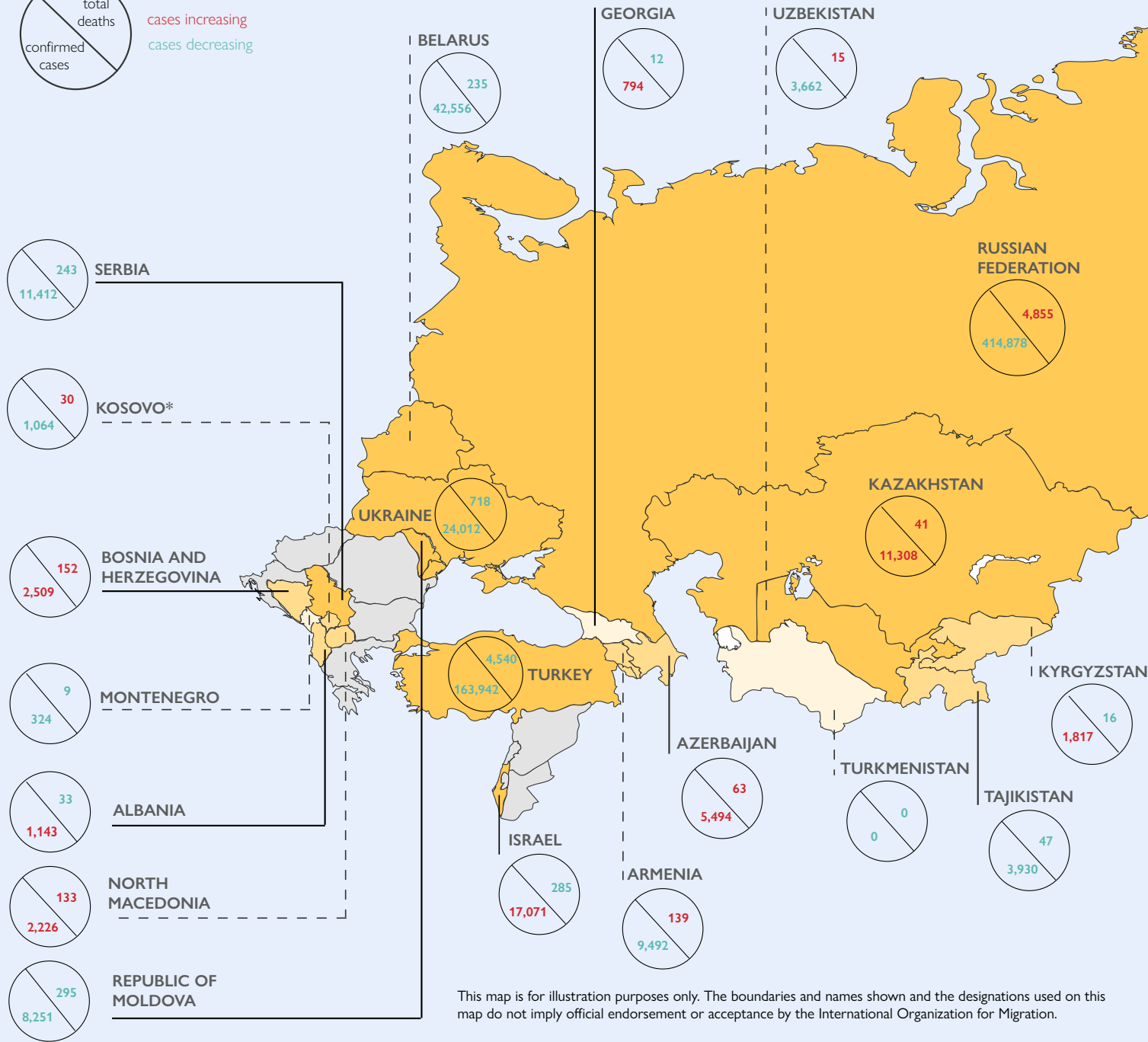
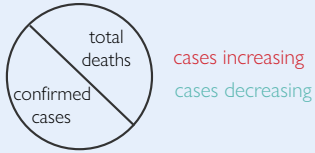
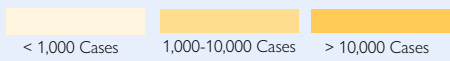
**Russia's** Health Ministry has approved a modified antiviral drug for treating coronavirus patients. Clinics will be able to administer it in tablet form starting June 11, with enough supplies to treat around 60,000 persons per month.



**Uzbekistan's** government has extended its coronavirus lockdown until June 15, but authorities say they are starting to lift restrictions in some parts of the country.

*\*References to Kosovo are made in the context of Security Council Resolution 1244/1999.*

# CONFIRMED COVID-19 CASES AND DEATHS IN THE SEECA REGION AS OF 1 JUNE 2020



## COVID-19 SEECA TIMELINE

FEBRUARY 2020

MARCH 2020

MAY 2020



10 FEB  
First case reported in SEECA region (Russian Federation)



14 MAR  
First deaths reported in SEECA region (Albania and Ukraine)



15 MAR  
First country in SEECA region to issue travel ban (Montenegro)



25 MAY  
First country in SEECA region to lift travel restrictions (Serbia)



25 MAY  
First country in SEECA region to announce COVID free (Montenegro)

# WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS



## Migrants of COVID-19

The Regional Office in Vienna launched “Migrants of COVID-19” on the [www.rovienna.iom.int](http://www.rovienna.iom.int) website. The first story is from Georgia, and features Jambuli and his family, who are stranded in the capital Tbilisi. Read more [here](#).



## Coronavirus through my Lens

IOM organized a photo competition “Coronavirus through my lens” for youth across the Western Balkans. The submitted photos are published on the Mission’s Instagram page. IOM also hosted a regional online quiz called “Time to switch on”. The quiz, focused on youth engagement, exchange of experiences and knowledge related to COVID-19.

## COVID-19 Points of Entry Analysis

DTM/IBM/MHD: An Analysis of COVID-19 impact at Points of Entry in SEECA Region has been published. This report provides an overview and analysis of the data from a regional perspective on operational status of the mapped and assessed Points of Entry in SEECA Region, including public health and other measures applied at the PoEs (as of 30th April 2020). The report is available [here](#).

## IOM Support COVID-19 Information Campaign on Belarus’ Borders

With the support of the EU and the IOM Development Fund, IOM Belarus and the State Border Committee (SBC) are rolling out a new information campaign to strengthen the COVID-19 response at the land and air points of entry. Every day, 1,500 foreigners and Belarusian citizens will receive up-to-date information on COVID-19 prevention measures when they enter the country. More [here](#).



# IOM COUNTRY RESPONSES



## Belarus

- » IOM is providing support through information at PoEs in Belarus, provision of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and contactless thermometers.



## Bosnia and Herzegovina

- » IOM provides accommodation for 5,306 migrants across seven centres in Bosnia and Herzegovina. On 29 May, authorities decided to close the COVID quarantine areas set up in the accommodation centres for new arrivals and returning asymptomatic migrants. The centres will continue to run isolation areas where persons with COVID-19 symptoms are to be accommodated.



## Georgia

- » To help migrants in Georgia with COVID-19 related information on public health and human rights issues, IOM has increased its social media presence. An online group was created to provide a safe space for discussion.



## Serbia

- » IOM adapted its Assisted Voluntary Return and Reintegration (AVRR) campaign to include COVID-19 related information.
- » IOM has provided over 5,500 food packages to migrant and refugee families who needed additional support during the pandemic period.



## Ukraine

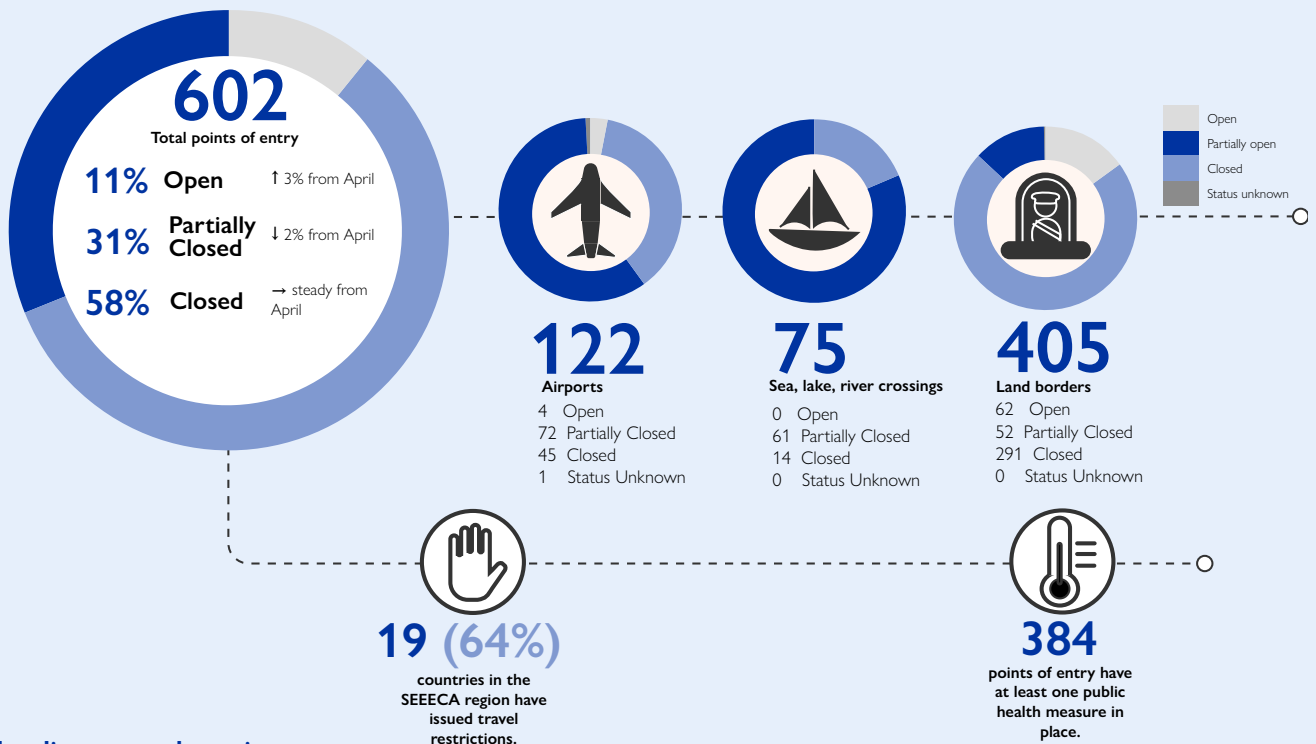
- » IOM supports the National Toll-Free Counter-Trafficking and Migrant Advice Hotline. In May 2020, almost 6,000 consultations to migrants and their families on COVID-19 and mobility issues were provided.



## Uzbekistan

- » Over the past days, IOM provided food and other basic needs to over 100 vulnerable Uzbek women and children in the Russian Federation who are left without support.

# POINTS OF ENTRY



## Funding per sub-region

Central Asia	19% confirmed/in the pipeline and reprogrammed; 81% funding gap
South Caucasus	9% confirmed/in the pipeline and reprogrammed; 91% funding gap
Western Balkans	83% confirmed/in the pipeline and reprogrammed; 17% funding gap

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