

## The European Union Border Assistance Mission to Moldova and Ukraine (EUBAM)

**Period of implementation:** 30.11.2005 - 30.11.2023

**EaP countries:**

Moldova

**Total budget:** € 16 600 000

**Implementing organisation(s):**

International Organization for Migration

**Project website:** [www.eubam.org](http://www.eubam.org)

**Project description:**

Launched in 2005, the European Union Border Assistance Mission to Moldova and Ukraine (EUBAM) is an advisory, technical mission. The legal basis for EUBAM is the Memorandum of Understanding signed by the European Commission and the Governments of Moldova and Ukraine on 7 October 2005.

The Mission works with the Republic of Moldova and Ukraine to harmonise border control, customs and trade procedures in order to meet EU standards. It helps to strengthen cross-border cooperation between the border guard and customs agencies and other law enforcement bodies and to facilitate international cooperation. EUBAM activities foster economic development and enhance regional security.

Funded by the European Union within the context of the European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument, and with the International Organization for Migration (IOM) acting as implementing partner, EUBAM is an advisory, technical body mandated to enhance the border-management capacities of its partners – the border guard/ border police and customs authorities and other law enforcement agencies of the Republic of Moldova and Ukraine.

EUBAM's area of operations spreads along the Republic of Moldova-Ukraine state border which is 1,222 km long and consists of 955 km of "green" (land) border and 267 km of "blue" (river) border. The Mission is headquartered in Odesa (Ukraine) with two country offices (in Chisinau – the Republic of Moldova and in Odesa - Ukraine) and six field offices in

**Expected results:**

One of the Mission's most expected result is that border control, customs and trade standards and procedures in the Republic of Moldova and Ukraine are harmonized with those in EU Member States. Moreover, the cross-border cooperation between the border guard and customs agencies and other law enforcement bodies is improved and international cooperation facilitated. Through its activities, EUBAM is expected to promote the economic development and enhance the regional security.



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