Colombia is suffering the consequences of multiple humanitarian emergencies. The ever increasing numbers of Venezuelan migrants arriving on a daily basis, along with its protracted armed conflict, violence, and natural disasters has drawn global attention.

The current situation is putting tremendous pressure on the government and require enhanced coordination between responders. Coupled with the recent impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, the situation of Venezuelan migrants and refugees has worsened. For these reasons the refugee and migrant population continue to suffer from the lockdown and the inability of finding work.

iMMAP has been delivering information management services to different actors in Colombia since 2009. Currently, iMMAP provides services to coordination spaces including the Humanitarian Country Team (HCT), the Inter-Agency Mixed Migration Flows Group (GIFMM) and the Health Sector.

In coordination with the GIFMM, the current project provides services to the Health, WASH, and Food Security and Nutrition (FSN) Sectors, as well as the INGO Forum. Since March 2020, iMMAP has been actively supporting the COVID-19 response plan, led by OCHA and the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO).

1.7 million Venezuelans currently in Colombia. According to the HRP May 2020 update.
Objectives

The project aims to assist the humanitarian community, and our partners such as the Health, WASH, FSN Sectors and the INGO Forum with accurate, and timely information. This information enables humanitarian coordination, access, and disaster risk emergency response management in a coordinated manner with relevant bodies.

COVID-19 Response: iMMAP supports The Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) in its role within the Health Cluster that covers the new COVID-19 Plan. In addition, iMMAP is providing information systems support to the two co-leads, the Ministry of Health and PAHO as a part of the Health Cluster. This support is provided to collect data on healthcare system capacities throughout the country. Furthermore, iMMAP continues to provide planning support to the WASH and FSN clusters, and the INGO Forum in relation to COVID-19 activities.

Project Deliverables

Coordinations:
- INGO Forum IM group technical secretariat
- INGO Forum IM strategy implementation
- Support to sectoral and INGO coordination through information management services
- Support to joint needs evaluations

Information Management:
- Sectoral IM support throughout the RMRP 2020-2021 cycle
- Support to joint needs evaluations
- Evaluation and monitoring
- Support for Data Access

5,351 downloads of r4v.info products

360 New settlements detected and profiled

Sectors supported

Health
Food Security
WASH
Coordination

Information Products:

Maps: A series of maps of the results of all PiN and 4w data

Infographics: A consolidation of monthly situational infographics. Regular infographics produced for all sectors supported.

Facebook Data: Biweekly updates of migration information based on Facebook data.

HDX repository access: Upload data into HDX covering the achievements based on results within the quarter from the various sectors for publishing.

Geoportal: Develop a platform that provides access to and the visualization of relevant, timely and functional geographic information of the Venezuelan refugee and migrant population and their current situation.

Detection and profiling of new settlements: iMMAP applies artificial intelligence and machine learning to detect and characterize refugee and migrant populations' informal settlements across Colombia. These activities are conducted to assist humanitarian actors consolidate their efforts to cover areas populated by the most vulnerable Venezuelan migrant and refugee communities. Crowdsourcing, participatory mapping and mobile data capture tools are used to validate the collected information.