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### Visiting Lesvos

A joint visit took place in Moria Reception & Identification Centre and in TAPUAT, UNICEF supported, learning and protection center in Lesvos with representatives of the Directorate General Migration and Home Affairs of the [European Commission](#) (DG HOME), [UNICEF Europe & Central Asia](#) and [IOM - UN Migration](#), where current situation and future challenges were discussed. Read [more](#)

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### Baby food kits' distribution

IOM Greece distributed baby food kits to new migrant & refugee parents, currently staying at hotels in Athens, beneficiaries of [FILOXENIA](#) project. Learn [more](#)

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### AVRR officers' meeting

With the aim to increase awareness among migrants' communities and promote the dialogue, IOM Greece held an information meeting between the [AVRR](#) Information Officers who serve in different regions across Greece and the migrants' communities in Athens. Read [more](#)

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### Empowering women



A local event dedicated to empowering women was organized by IOM field team in Grevena Through interactive activities, migrant & refugee women had the opportunity to share experiences about everyday life challenges. Read [more](#)

### The #Refugee project



IOM is collaborating with "Communication, Media & Culture" Department of Panteion University in designing & implementing the #Refugee Project for a second consecutive year. Read [more](#)





## Painting project under U-CARE project

Unaccompanied migrant children residing in Chios' Safe Zone participated in a painting workshop, creating their own artwork. Under [U-CARE](#) "Urgent Care for Unaccompanied Migrant Children stranded in Greece" project, with funding from The Migrant and Refugee Fund (MRF) received through THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE Development Bank

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## Visiting [OCAVRR](#)

The AVRR Information Officers who operate across Greece visited the Open Centre for migrants registered for assisted voluntary return and reintegration (OCAVRR), which is established near the center of Athens, among hospitals, embassies of third countries, underground and bus stations for the beneficiaries' best interest. During the reporting period 125 vulnerable migrants, were accommodated in the Open Center for people registered for AVRR. Among them 34 were from Iraq, 33 from Pakistan and 20 from Iran. Learn more [here](#)

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## International #womensday 👤: Tabetha's story



"I would like to give everything to my daughter. Everything that I could not have", says Tabetha. Tabetha is a young woman, 26 y/o from Cameroon, currently staying at a hotel in Athens, beneficiary of IOM's [FILOXENIA](#) project. View her [story](#)

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