## <u>IOM provides support for UK nationals</u> <u>living in Poland</u>

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The International Organization for Migration (IOM) offers support to UK nationals in Poland in applying for residence documentation



UK nationals and their family members resident in Poland before 31 December 2020 must take some steps to secure documentation which evidences their right to stay is protected.

The Interational Organization for Migration (IOM) offers up-to-date and reliable information on requirements and procedures, as well as support to those who are facing specific challenges, such as people with disabilities, those grappling with chronic illnesses, language and literacy barriers, difficulties in accessing technology, and living in remote areas. IOM services include provision of information, legal consultations, and help with the preparation of required documents for submission.

Anna Clunes, British Ambassador to Poland, said:

I welcome IOM Poland's service for UK nationals (and their family members) which is designed to help them understand the changes in residency status following the UK's departure from the EU. This is an important programme assisting UK nationals to register their status so that they can continue to enjoy their residency rights after the end of the Transition period

Hanna Dobrzynska, Officer in Charge of the IOM Office in Poland, said:

After the UK has left the EU, UK nationals who want to continue living in Poland may need to navigate new regulations and requirements associated with prolonging their legal stay beyond the transition period which ends on 31 December 2020. The support offered by IOM involves not only offering reliable information, but also assistance in preparing documents and during submission of an application to a voivodeship office. The support is intended for UK nationals and their families who may find it harder to complete their applications

The project is conducted in cooperation with the British Embassy in Poland, and supported by the Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office through the UK National Support Fund (UKNSF). It will continue until 31 March 2021.

The IOM helpline for UK nationals is available from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday to Friday at (+48) 224902044, and via e-mail at <u>UKnationalsPL@iom.int</u>.

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