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HUMANITY IN ACTION

MOAS is an international humanitarian organisation created to mitigate human suffering and dedicated to providing humanitarian assistance to the most vulnerable communities in areas of crisis. Founded in 2013 by the Catrambone family in response to a shipwreck off the Italian island of Lampedusa that killed 368 people, **MOAS became the first non-governmental SAR organization** in the Central Mediterranean, providing a model for civil society search and rescue, as well as other NGOs. **Between 2014 and 2017**, during the SAR missions in the Central Mediterranean and the Aegean Sea, **over 40,000 children**, women and men were rescued.

After several missions in the **Mediterranean and Aegean seas**, in 2017 MOAS moved its operations to assist **Rohingya** refugees fleeing violence in Myanmar and the local Bangladeshi host community: more than 40 tons of humanitarian aid were delivered and two Aid Stations were set up to provide emergency health care services and medication to the refugee and the community.

In response to the high numbers of **water-related deaths**, MOAS has been working within the framework of **Disaster Risk Reduction** since 2019, providing technical expertise and support to local partners for the delivery of unique and innovative **Flood and Water Safety Training in refugees camps**.

To address the threats posed by fire in refugee camps, in 2021 MOAS technical experts established a new **Fire Fighting and Response initiative** to facilitate the full implementation of a unique fire response system, that can increase the efficiency and effectiveness of response teams in refugee camps.

In **Yemen, Somalia and Syria** MOAS delivers life-saving famine relief products, in the form of ready-to-use therapeutic foods and pharmaceutical supplies, to local in-country partners where we also support distribution through logistic and systems support.

In 2022 MOAS started the **#MOASMissionUkraine**. We provide emergency medical aid, first response services and pharmaceutical supplies to the people in need through our fleet of ambulances and fully equipped Mobile Medical Units.

MOAS also operates in **Malta** with various projects to assist migrant communities and to facilitate integration and inclusion through education.

MOAS is advocating for the implementation of **#SafeAndLegalRoutes** of migration so that people don't have to risk their lives in search of safety or a better life.

MOAS has Consultative Status at the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) and is a member of the Malta Refugee Council.

Covid-19 response

Bangladesh

In 2020, in light of the COVID-19 pandemic, MOAS decided to shift its operational focus of their workshops from the production of bottle rings and throw bags to the production of cotton, reusable, face masks to prevent the spread of the virus in the region. The initiative also served as a livelihood for the host community workers, many of whom had lost income due to the pandemic. The project reached an incredible total of 883,514 masks thanks to a dedicated team of local tailors and seamstresses.

Malta

Since the outbreak of COVID-19, nearly 10,000 reusables, eco-friendly, facemasks had been produced by a team of local volunteers for vulnerable groups, in collaboration with fashion designer Luke Azzopardi and local cab company eCabs.

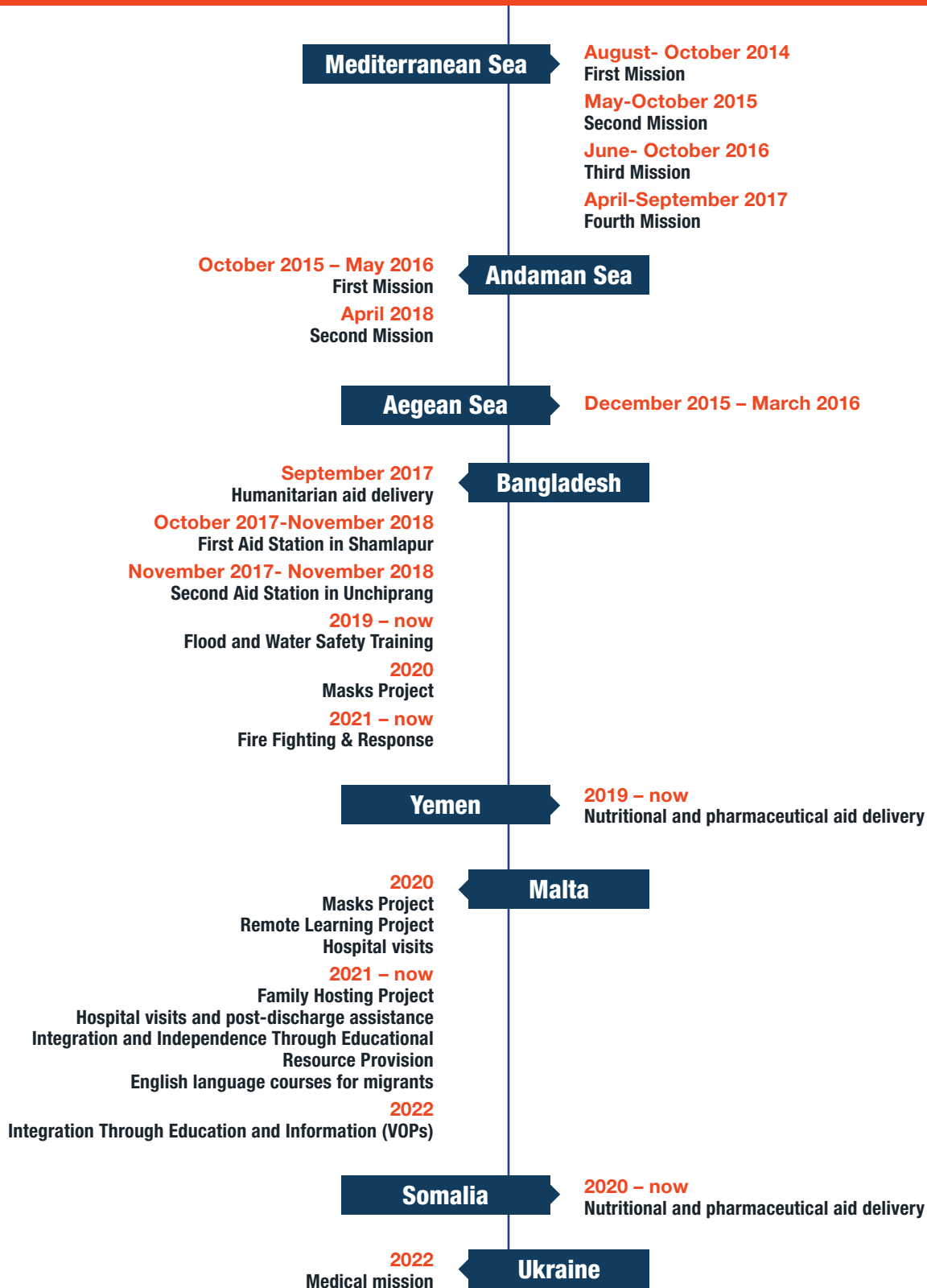
Moreover, MOAS distributed tablets and modems with Internet connections to migrant families residing in the reception centres, so that students could follow online lessons during the lockdown.





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MOAS Missions



Supporters

- **Coldplay** - band
- **Colin Firth** - actor
- **Michael Fassebender** - actor
- **Marama Corlett** - actor
- **Foxes** - singer
- **Babou Ceesay** - actor
- **Charlie Gilmour** - writer
- **Maximo Park** - band
- **Broomberg & Chanarin** - artists
- **Alfredo Jaar** - artist
- **GOIN** - artist
- **Robert Macfarlane** - author
- **Joseph Calleja** - singer
- **Luke Azzopardi** - fashion designer
- **Joss Stone** - singer
- **Passenger** - band
- **Kelly White** – artist
- **Miyuki Sugihara** – artist
- **TAP Music** – artist management
- **People and Skin** – Med Aesthetic clinic
- **The Phoenicia Malta** – Art Deco hotel
- **Gracey's** – Arts & Supper Club
- **Studio Treble** – design practice
- **xpose360** – digital marketing



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