



Annual Report 2025

Scalabrini International Migration Network

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Message from Our Director



In 2025, the Scalabrini International Migration Network (SIMN) continued to stand alongside migrants, refugees, seafarers, and people on the move in a world marked by deep inequalities, forced displacement, and growing hostility toward migration.

Guided by the charism of St. Giovanni Battista Scalabrini, our Network strengthened collaboration across regions, amplified migrant voices, and advanced concrete actions for justice, dignity, and human rights. This year reaffirmed a fundamental truth: migration is not a crisis to be managed, but a human reality to be accompanied with compassion, responsibility, and hope.

I am deeply grateful to our members, partners, donors, and staff whose commitment makes this mission possible. Together, we continue to transform solidarity into action.

Fr. Márcio Toniazzo — Executive Director, SIMN



Who We Are

Saint John Baptist Scalabrini founded the Catholic Congregation of the Scalabrinian Missionaries in 1887, with the aim of serving Italian migrants in the Americas and guaranteeing their full integration into host societies. For the next seventy years, the Scalabrinian missionaries established parishes, schools, hospitals, migrant service centers, cultural centers, orphanages, nursing homes, cooperatives, migrant associations, and service committees. During the 1960s, the congregation extended its mission to migrants of all nationalities and expanded its outreach worldwide.

The Scalabrini International Migration Network is a global network supporting partners working to promote the rights, dignity, and well-being of migrants, refugees, displaced people, seafarers, fishers and their families worldwide.

SIMN serves as a platform for coordination, advocacy, research, and capacity building, linking local realities with global policy spaces to ensure that the lived experiences of migrants inform decision-making at all levels.



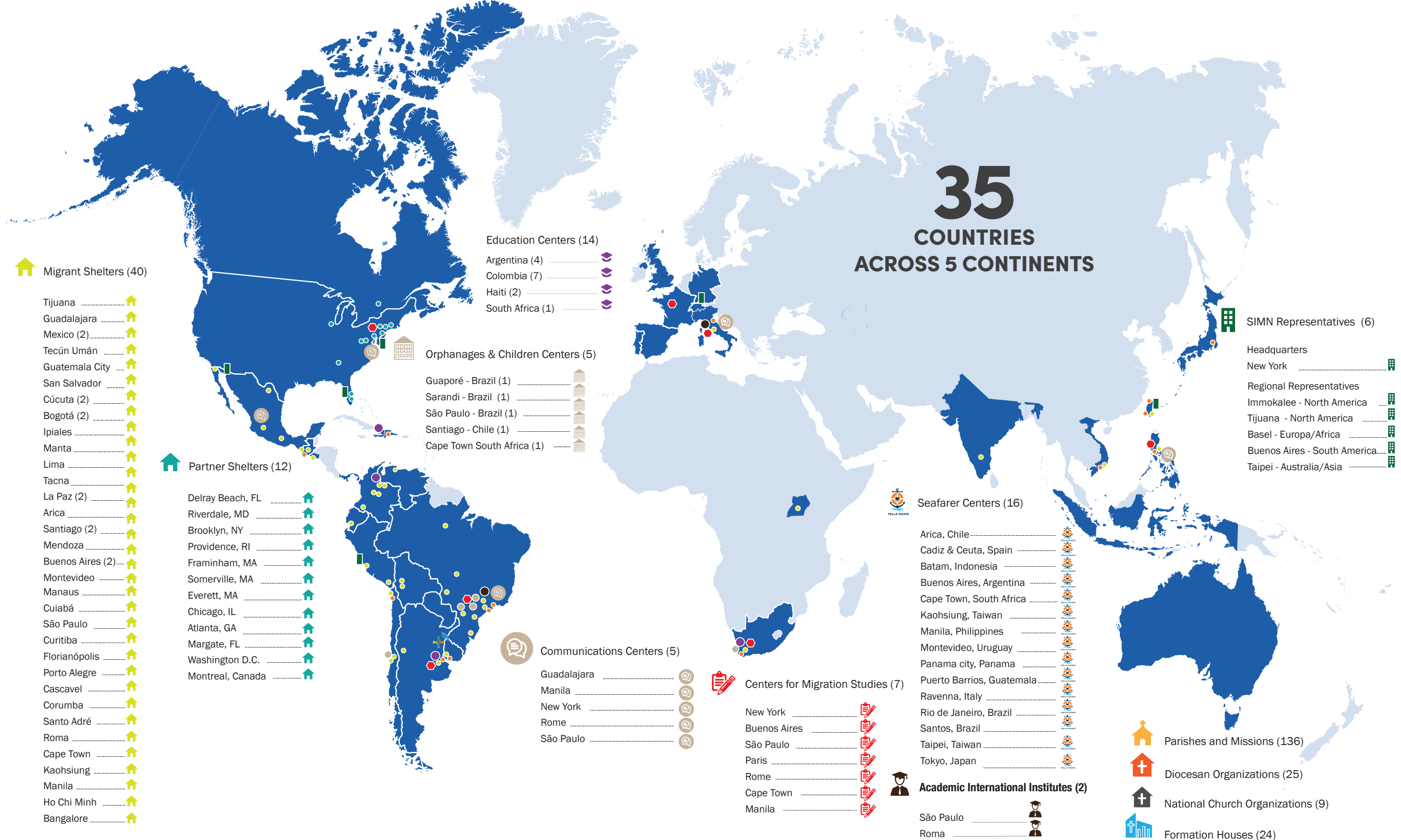
Mission and Vision

Mission

Safeguard and promote the dignity and rights of migrants, refugees, internally displaced persons, seafarers, fishers, and other people on the move worldwide.

Vision

To consolidate as a leading global network in advocating for the rights of migrants, refugees, internally displaced persons, seafarers, fishers, and other people on the move through efficient solutions and integral services.



What We Do

SIMN's core supported activities include the intersection of pastoral action, advocacy, research, and capacity building.



52 Shelters and Social Service Centers

Provision of hot meals, safe accommodation, access to communication and health care, technical training, job placement support, entrepreneurship initiatives with seed capital, legal assistance, and psychological and pastoral care.



16 Stella Maris Centers

Humanitarian assistance including shelter, food, and clothing; legal advice and defense of labor rights; technical training, job placement support, access to communication, and recreational activities for seafarers and fishers.



7 Centers for Migration Studies

Research and knowledge production through publications, periodicals, monographs, academic papers, as well as conferences and seminars focused on human mobility.



14 Schools and Educational Centers

Educational programs from kindergarten through high school, combined with nutritional support and formation rooted in Scalabrinian values.



Orphanages and Children's Centers

Comprehensive protection services including education, nutrition, and holistic development inspired by Scalabrinian values





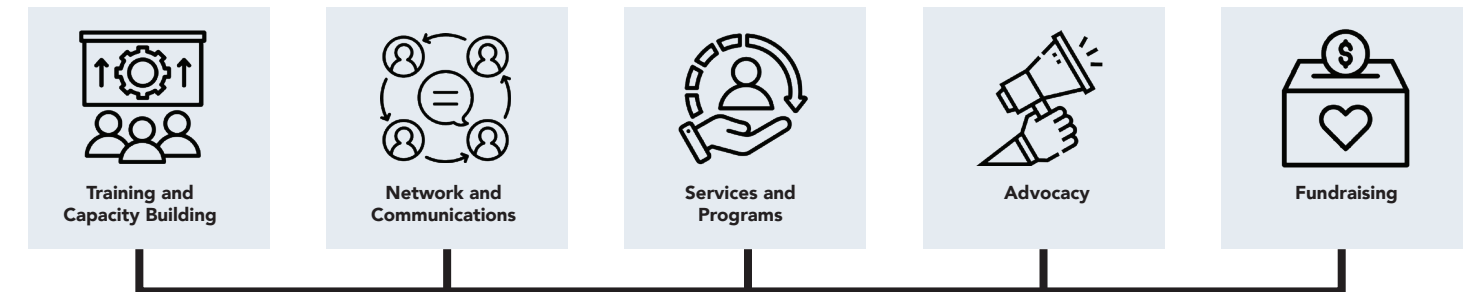
Our Approach

Our work is guided by five core principles:

- Training and Capacity Building
- Network and Communications
- Services and Programs
- Advocacy
- Fundraising



This approach ensures that our actions are both compassionate and strategic, responding to immediate needs while addressing the root causes of force migration .



Network of Casas Impact 2025

In 2025, the Scalabrinian Network continued its mission of welcoming and supporting people forced to migrate in search of protection, stability, and a better future. Through its partners, SIMN accompanied women escaping domestic abuse and sexual exploitation, mothers traveling with children in highly vulnerable situations, and survivors of human trafficking, offering protection and pathways toward recovery and independence.

The Network also prioritized assistance to frequently overlooked groups within global migration flows, particularly seafarers and fishers. Many of these workers face harsh labor conditions, exploitation, and serious human rights violations, often in isolation and far from public scrutiny. SIMN's outreach sought to defend their dignity and promote safer, fairer working environments.

At the same time, SIMN extended its support to families and communities affected by migration in countries of origin, including elderly relatives, separated children, and individuals returning after deportation or failed migration journeys. Despite experiencing trauma and hardship, these individuals demonstrate remarkable resilience. In 2025, SIMN remained steadfast in accompanying them, helping restore hope and rebuild lives grounded in dignity and opportunity.

SIMN achieved meaningful impact across advocacy, capacity building, and network coordination:

- Strengthened global advocacy on migrant rights within UN and faith-based fora
- Coordinated joint statements and campaigns on social justice and human mobility
- Supported member organizations with training, research tools, and communications resources
- Increased visibility of migrant testimonies through coordinated digital engagement
- Deepened collaboration with global coalitions and civil society partners



546,429

MIGRANTS SUPPORTED WORLDWIDE

Major Services Provided from January to December 2025



104,608
Food bags



22,704
Clothing



354,429
Hot meals



14,732
Documentation services



36,249
Legal services



5,372
Employment agreements



52,433
Medical services



19,435
Milk distribution



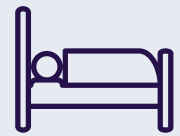
8,440
Psychological services



647,643
Religious services



1,129
Footwear



22,099
Accommodation



25,033
Courses



39,021
Hygiene kit



845
Transportation support

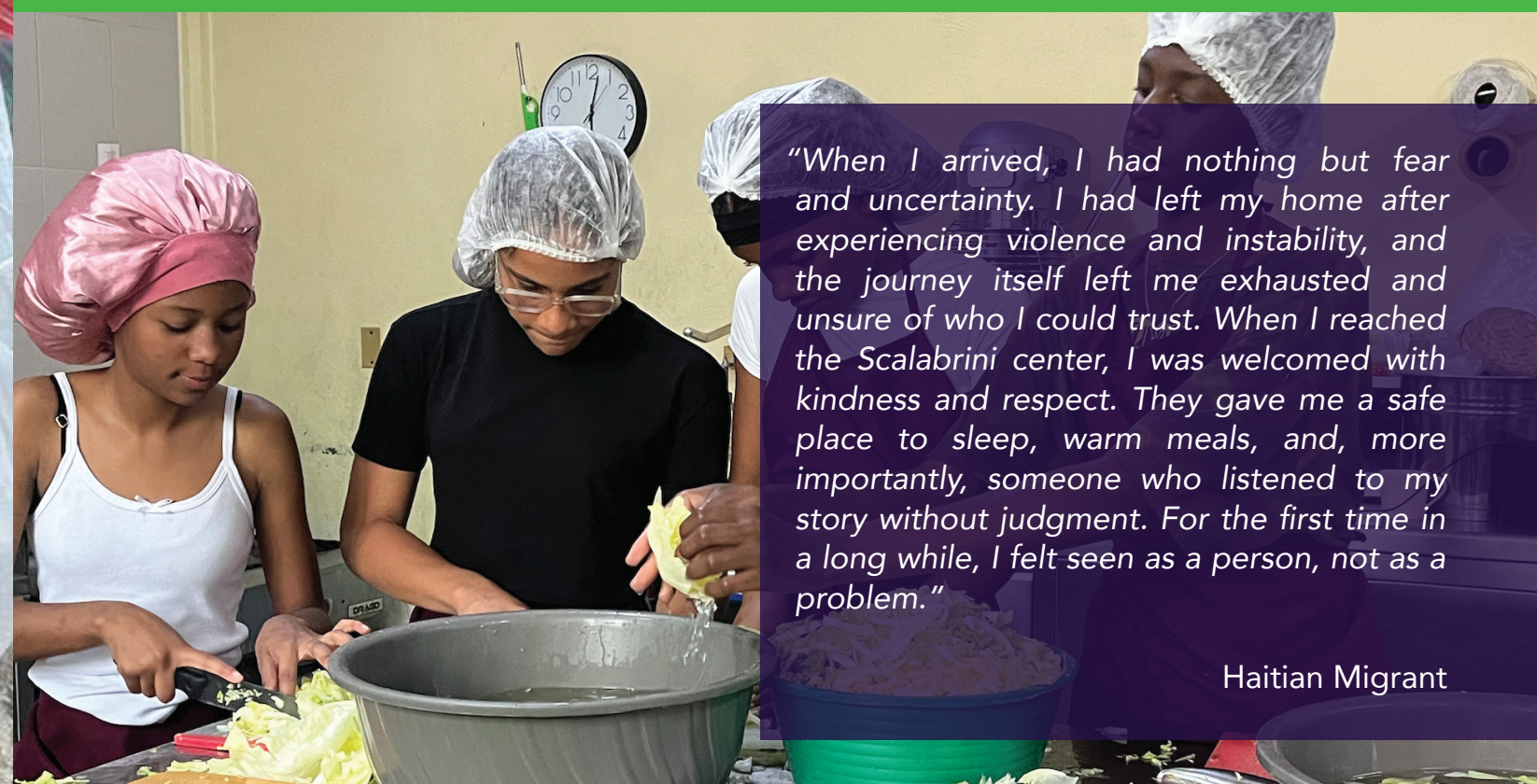


Focus Areas

Our work in 2025 concentrated on the following priority areas: Shelters and Casas del Migrante, Social Service Centers, Pastoral and Psychosocial Support, Advocacy, and Stella Maris Services.

Shelters and Casas del Migrante

SIMN supports a global network of shelters and Casas del Migrante that provide migrants and refugees with safe, dignified spaces during their journeys. These centers offer emergency accommodation, food, hygiene facilities, and access to essential services, while fostering an environment of welcome, respect, and human dignity. Beyond meeting immediate needs, shelters serve as places of accompaniment, helping individuals and families regain stability and make informed decisions about their next steps.



"When I arrived, I had nothing but fear and uncertainty. I had left my home after experiencing violence and instability, and the journey itself left me exhausted and unsure of who I could trust. When I reached the Scalabrini center, I was welcomed with kindness and respect. They gave me a safe place to sleep, warm meals, and, more importantly, someone who listened to my story without judgment. For the first time in a long while, I felt seen as a person, not as a problem."

Haitian Migrant

Social Service Centers

Through the Scalabrinian Social Service Centers, SIMN responds to the complex and evolving needs of people on the move by offering integrated support services. These include access to health care, legal assistance, technical and vocational training, job placement, entrepreneurship support, and access to communication. By addressing both immediate needs and long-term integration, these centers promote self-reliance, resilience, and social inclusion.



"I left Venezuela with uncertainty and fear, carrying only the hope of finding stability for my family. When I arrived in Villa del Rosario, I learned about the Scalabrinians and enrolled in the sewing certification program. That opportunity changed my life. Beyond learning technical skills, I regained confidence in myself and discovered that I still had talents and dreams worth pursuing. The instructors were patient and supportive, and they encouraged me to believe that I could start again."

Venezuelan migrant



Pastoral and Psychosocial Support

Pastoral and psychosocial care lies at the heart of SIMN's mission. In 2025, the Network continued to support spiritual accompaniment, counseling, and emotional support to migrants, refugees, and seafarers who have experienced trauma, loss, and displacement. Grounded in faith and compassion, this holistic approach nurtures hope, restores dignity, and supports healing by addressing the spiritual, emotional, and relational dimensions of human mobility.



"As a psychologist serving in a Scalabrinian Center, I have witnessed both the deep wounds and extraordinary resilience of migrants who arrive at our doors. Many come carrying trauma from violence, displacement, family separation, or exploitation, often feeling invisible and unheard. Through counseling and compassionate accompaniment, we create a safe space where they can process their experiences, rebuild their sense of self-worth, and begin to heal."

Psychosocial Program Coordinator

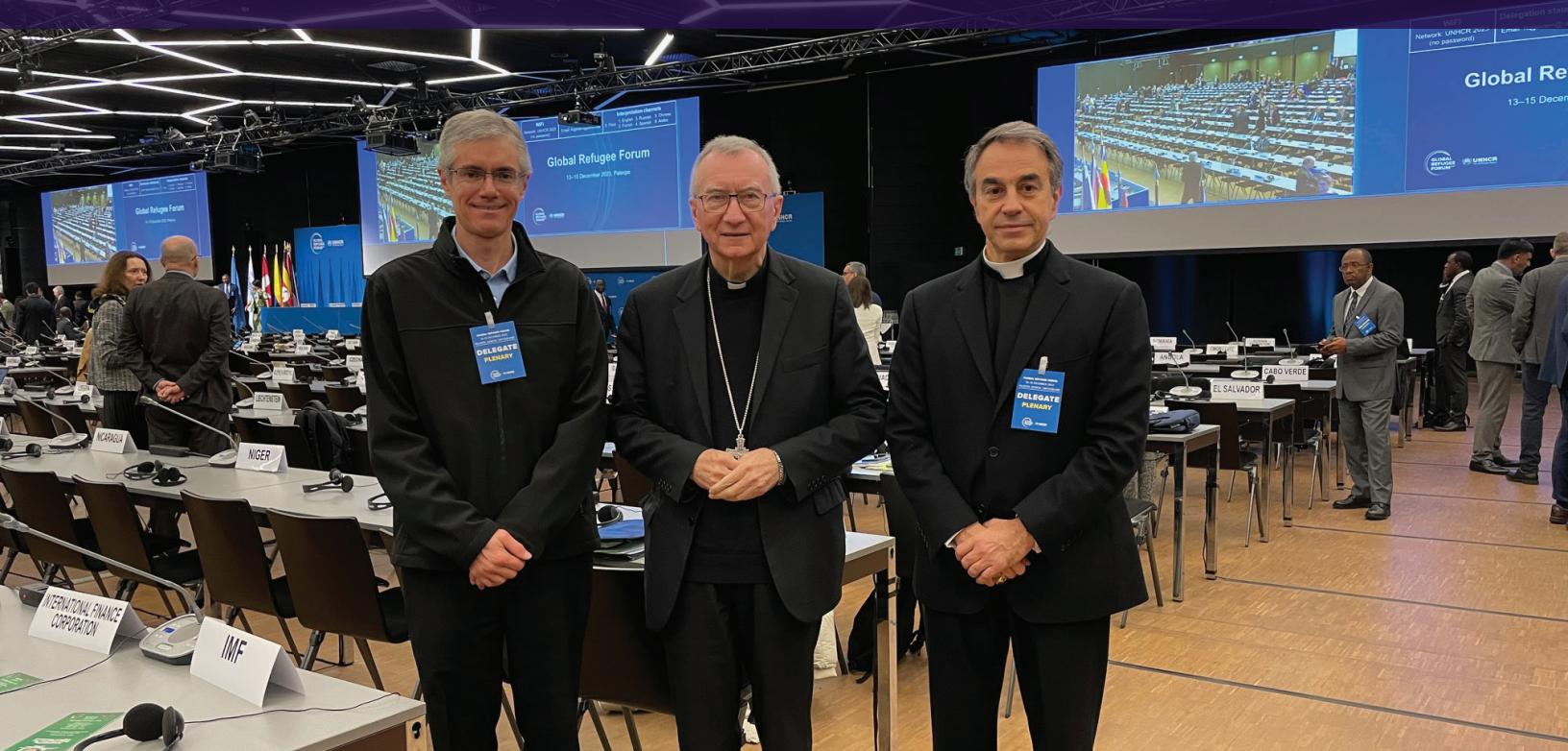




Advocacy

SIMN engages in advocacy at local, regional, and global levels to promote policies and practices that uphold the rights and dignity of migrants and refugees. By amplifying migrant voices, producing research and policy analysis, and collaborating with faith-based and civil society partners, the Network works to influence decision-makers and challenge narratives that fuel exclusion and discrimination. Advocacy remains a key tool for addressing the structural causes of forced migration and social injustice.

A central objective of SIMN is to advance advocacy efforts within the United Nations system on behalf of migrants and other people on the move. Building on its longstanding engagement in major global initiatives including the United Nations global compacts on migration and refugees - SIMN remains actively involved in international policy discussions. In collaboration with civil society partners, the Network continues to promote the protection of migrants' and refugees' rights and to advocate for more just and humane migration governance worldwide.



Stella Maris Scalabrinian Catholic Network

Through the Stella Maris Scalabrinian Catholic Network services, SIMN supports seafarers and maritime workers, many of whom face isolation, exploitation, and unsafe working conditions. These services provide humanitarian assistance, legal advice, labor rights defense, pastoral care, and opportunities for rest and recreation. By promoting decent work and human dignity at sea, Stella Maris plays a vital role in advancing social justice within the global maritime sector.

Seafarers' Centers operate in fourteen key port cities around the world. In South and Central America, the Network is present in Brazil (Rio de Janeiro and Santos), Uruguay (Montevideo), Argentina (Buenos Aires), Chile (Arica), and Guatemala (Santo Tomás de Castilla). In Europe, Stella Maris serves maritime workers through its office in Italy (Ravenna), Spain (Cadiz and Ceuta). Across Asia, the mission extends to the Philippines (Manila and Quezon City), Taiwan (Taipei and Kaohsiung), Indonesia (Batam), and Japan (Tokyo). In Africa, Stella Maris is active in Cape Town, South Africa.



Stella Maris Impact 2025



70,588

SEAFARERS AND FISHERS SUPPORTED WORLDWIDE



2,729

ships were visited by our chaplains and volunteers, ensuring pastoral care and assistance to crews.

Services Provided from January to December 2025



23,244

Religious services



2,902

Mental Health



774

Medical services



4,597

Legal services



19,958

Communication Services



40,735

Social Services



3,822

Recreation Services



Make a Difference

You can support SIMN's mission by:

- Supporting our work through financial contributions
- Partner with us and engage in our mission

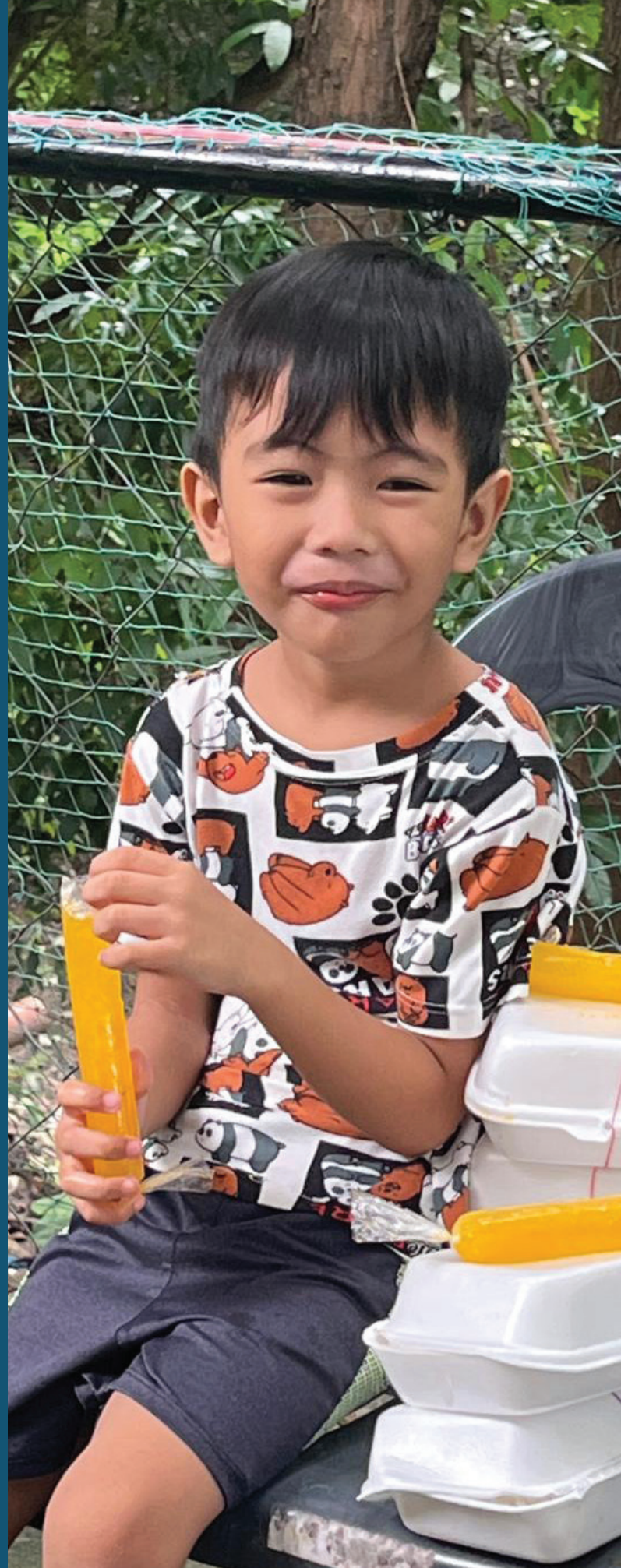
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Thank You

SIMN extends its heartfelt gratitude to our members, partners, donors, and allies. Your trust, collaboration, and solidarity make our work possible. As we look ahead, we remain committed to walking with migrants and refugees, seafarers, fishers and their families—transforming compassion into action and faith into justice.





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