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COI and MedCOI modules focus on the use of Country of Origin Information (COI) as a key element in the assessment of applications for international protection. They support asylum professionals in gathering, assessing, and applying reliable, relevant, and up-to-date country of origin information to inform decision-making.

COI plays a central role in asylum procedures, providing information on the situation in countries of origin and supporting objective and well-reasoned decisions.

Who this training is for

These modules are intended for:

- asylum case workers and decision-makers
- professionals involved in research and analysis of country of origin information
- practitioners seeking to strengthen evidence-based decision-making

What these modules cover

Through COI and MedCOI modules, participants develop knowledge and skills related to:

- identifying the role of COI and its quality standards in the context of international protection and the concepts for which COI research should be conducted

- applying the relevant quality standards when dealing with COI questions
- assessing COI sources
- applying the appropriate strategy/strategies when researching COI
- conducting COI research on vulnerable groups, Article 15 (c) QR and exclusion
- applying techniques for drafting useful COI products
- conducting peer - review of COI production
- assessing health-related claims through Medical Country of Origin Information (MedCOI)

These competencies support decision-making that is transparent, consistent, and grounded in objective information.

Available modules

The following modules are included in this category:

- Introduction to country of origin information
- Country of origin information - Advanced
- Medical country of origin information

These modules provide a progressive learning pathway, from understanding the basic concepts of COI to applying advanced analytical methods, as well as addressing specialised medical aspects relevant to protection cases.