

International

Family Tracing

Service



ICRC



British Red Cross help to find missing family members if contact is lost due to conflict, natural disaster or migration

Searches in UK and abroad

Last resort

International Family Tracing

It can take very long time before we have something to report

Tracing

Seek people where contact has been lost because of armed conflict, natural disaster, political upheaval or migration.

Red Cross Message

Deliver a message where contact has been lost through breakdown of normal communication systems.

Attestation of detention

Providing evidence of detention or forced labour

Health and Welfare

Report on someone where regular contact has been suddenly been lost and there is no-one who can report on their well-being

Two ways we can look for family

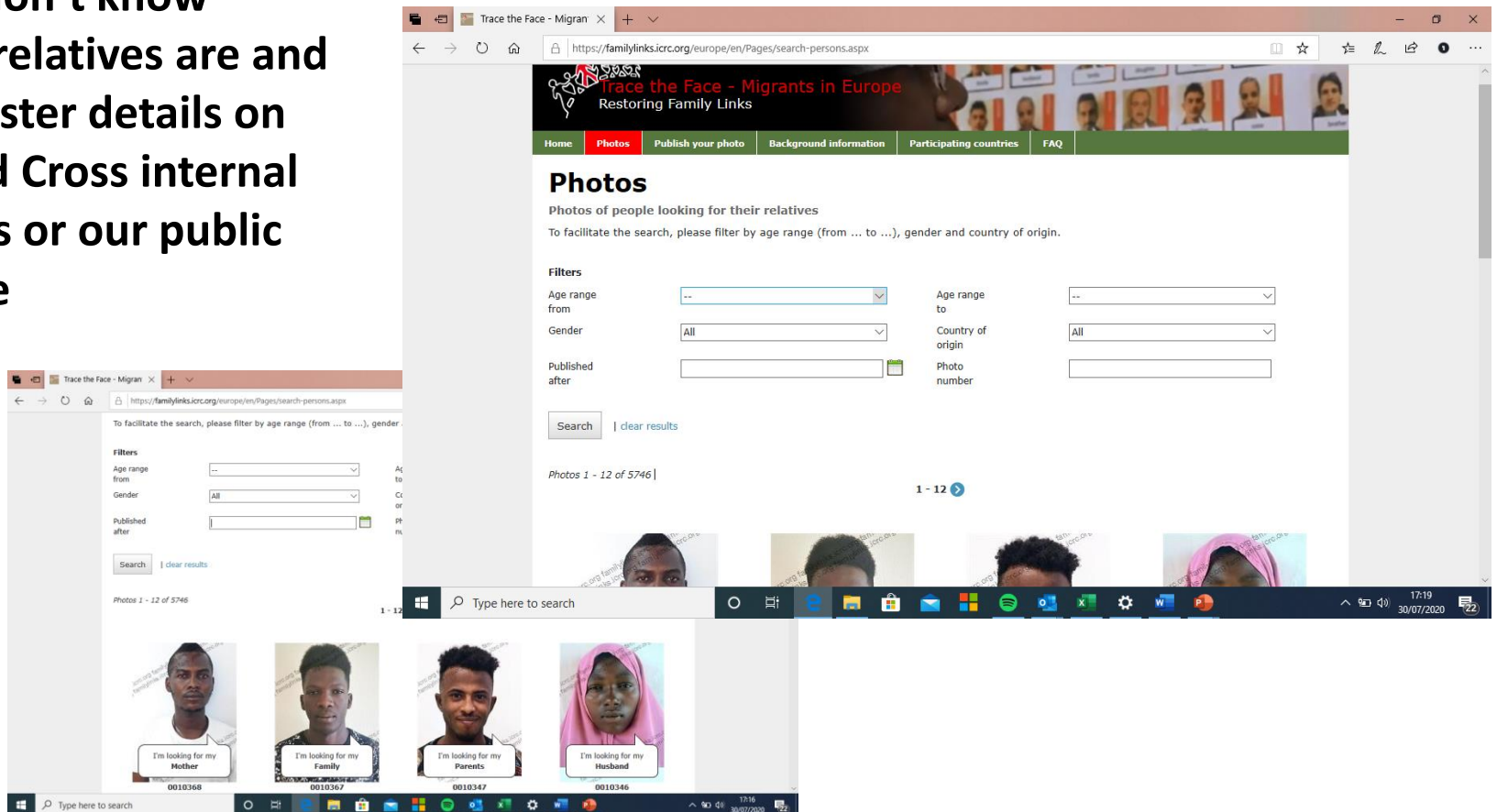
1. Actively looking

If there is enough information we can look in another country where you think relatives are or in the UK



2. Passively looking

If you don't know where relatives are and we register details on our Red Cross internal systems or our public website

The image shows a screenshot of a web browser displaying the 'Trace the Face - Migrants in Europe' website. The browser's address bar shows the URL 'https://familylinks.icrc.org/europe/en/Pages/search-persons.aspx'. The website has a navigation menu with 'Home', 'Photos', 'Publish your photo', 'Background information', 'Participating countries', and 'FAQ'. The 'Photos' section is active, showing a search interface with filters for age range, gender, and country of origin. Below the filters, there is a 'Search' button and a 'clear results' link. The search results show a grid of photos of people, with the first four photos visible. Each photo has a caption below it: 'I'm looking for my Mother' (ID: 0010368), 'I'm looking for my Family' (ID: 0010367), 'I'm looking for my Parents' (ID: 0010347), and 'I'm looking for my Husband' (ID: 0010346). The Windows taskbar at the bottom shows the date as 30/07/2020 and the time as 17:19.

News or No News

Will we be successful in our searches?



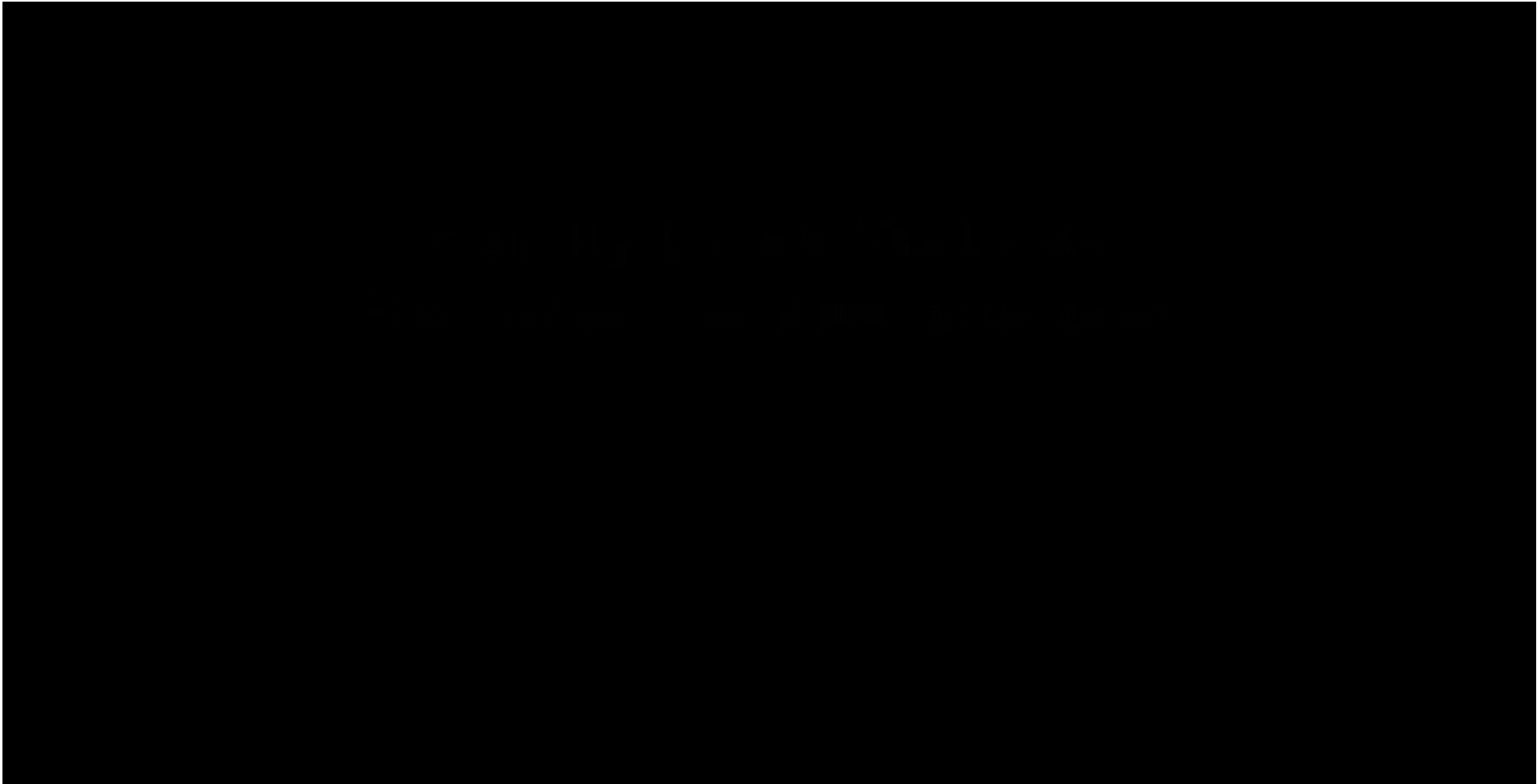
Current situation

- Reopened to new referrals on 1st June after 18 months closure
- Yorkshire and North East team:
 - 3.4 FTE service co-ordinators
 - 0.6 FTE support assistant
- Remote and face to face appointments
- Recruiting new volunteers

Current challenges

- High number of referrals
- Instrumentalisation of the service for legal purposes:
 - Pressure on service users/staff and volunteers/
demand for service

Tissues! ([Afghanistan: Family links website reunites mother and son – YouTube](#))



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