

EX-POST EVALUATION OF ASYLUM, MIGRATION AND INTEGRATION FUND 2014-2020

FUND OBJECTIVE¹: to contribute to the effective management of migration flows, and to help implement, strengthen and develop the common asylum, complementary or temporary protection policy, and the common migration policy

FUND FINANCING IN EUROS

18 430 429

Co-financing
4 159 459

EU support
14 270 970

ALLOCATION OF FUNDING BETWEEN OBJECTIVES

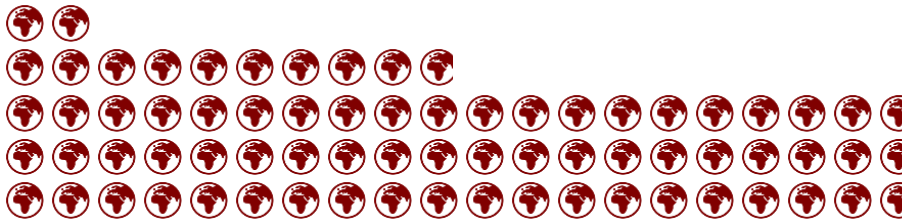
Asylum
4 538 059

Integration/legal migration
5 544 176

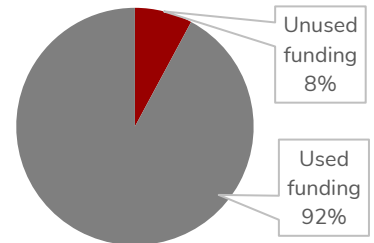
Return
5 463 725

Special cases
1 405 500
Technical assistance
1 478 969

72 PROJECTS



EU FUNDING UTILIZATION RATE



ASYLUM – strengthening and developing all aspects of the common asylum system, including its external dimension

ACTIVITIES AND RESULTS

(Additional) services for asylum applicants: legal assistance, translation, support person, recreational activities, other support services

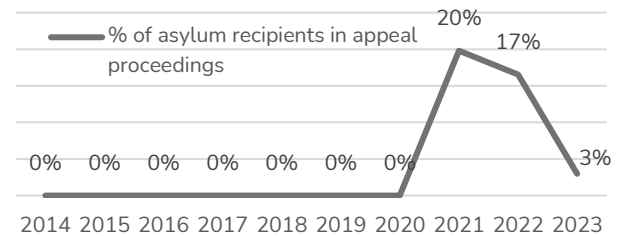
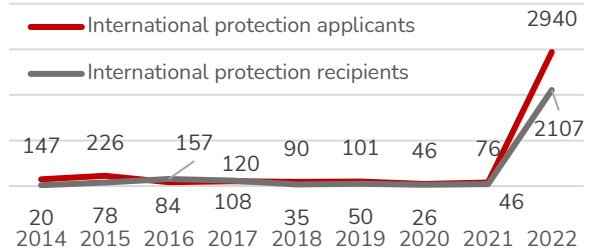
Trainings and additional positions for case handlers; trainings for officials of state institutions

Developments in information systems and living conditions of reception centers

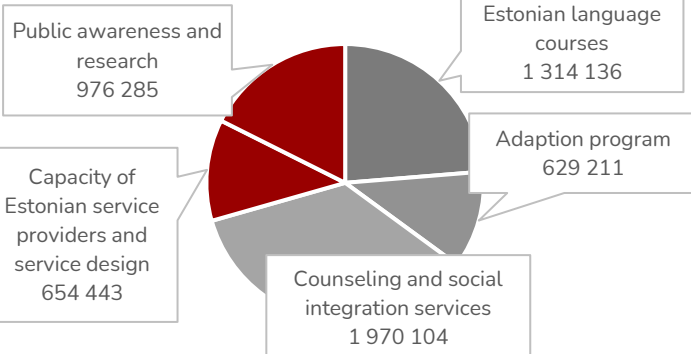


Faster asylum application procedures and more thoroughly examined and accurate decisions

The reception system for asylum applicants better prepares them for integration into society



INTEGRATION - supporting migration to the Member States in line with their economic and social needs, such as labor market requirements, while ensuring the integrity of the Member States' immigration systems and promoting the effective integration of third-country nationals



Adaptation program for beneficiaries of international protection, Estonian language courses, counseling, social integration activities

Raising awareness and capacity of schools, local governments, hobby schools, and others; service design

Raising public awareness



Services that support the adaptation of new migrants and are tailored to their needs, ensuring faster integration

RETURN - promoting fair and effective return strategies that help combat illegal migration, focusing primarily on the sustainability of returns and the effective readmission to countries of origin and transit

ACTIVITIES AND RESULTS

Services in return procedures: support services in detention center, translation services

Developments in information systems and living conditions in detention center

Reviewing forced return

Deportation and support for voluntary return

Trainings, information exchange

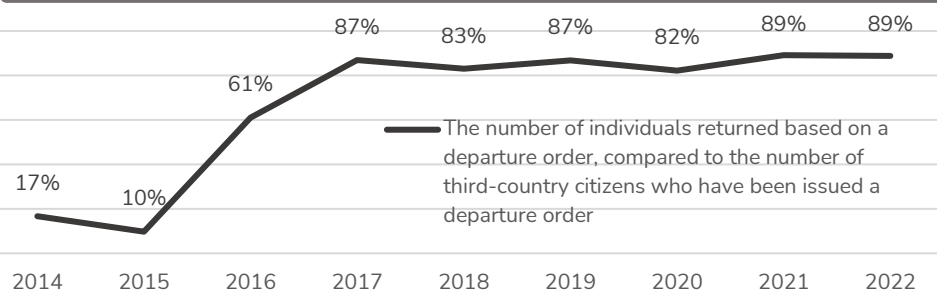
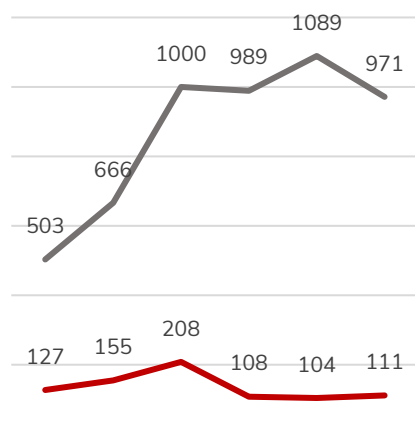


More and higher quality services for returnees and in the organization of return

Increased knowledge, opportunities, and skills for processing and conducting return procedures



Very high effective return rate: over 80% of those issued a departure order leave the country



2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022

— The number of individuals who have left the country based on a compulsory administrative order

— The number of individuals who have left the country based on a voluntary departure order with a set deadline

SPECIAL CASES - resettlement of vulnerable groups, relocation from Italy and Greece, and reception from Turkey



213 international protection applicants and beneficiaries were relocated, resettled, and received.

Relocation or resettlement subgroup	Number of people
Resettlement of vulnerable groups – Syrian refugees	27
Relocation from Greece (2015/1523, 2015/1601)	141
Relocation from Italy (2015/1601)	6
Reception from Turkey (2016/1754)	39

FUND EVALUATION CRITERIA

Impact **Quantitative impact assessment is not possible.**

Effectiveness ✓

Efficiency ✓

Sustainability ✓

Relevance ✓

EU added value ✓

Coherence and mutual complementarity ✓

RECOMMENDATIONS

- The European Commission and the Responsible Authority should specify the system for measuring outputs, results, and impacts for future assessments, and based on this, design a comprehensive data collection system, aligned with the national program, to improve the evaluation of the fund's effectiveness and impact.
- Beneficiaries and the Responsible Authority should review and enhance preventive measures, considering the potential risk of information loss due to staff turnover, in order to ensure effective management.
- Beneficiaries should better account for the time allocated for project management when planning their projects.
- A minimum threshold should be set for financial correction decisions to avoid situations where the administrative burden of processing minor violations exceeds the recovery amount for the beneficiary and the responsible authority.

FUND REGULATION

¹Regulation (EU) No 516/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 April 2014 establishing the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund, amending Council Decision 2008/381/EC and repealing Decisions No 573/2007/EC and No 575/2007/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council and Council Decision 2007/435/EC