

<b>COUNTRY</b>							
<b>Greece</b>							
<b>Number of programs since 1998</b>	<b>6</b>						
<b>Number of mechanisms, 2008</b>	<b>1</b>						
<b>Program or mechanism?</b>	program	program	program	program	program	program	mechanism
<b>Program name</b>	White Card	Green Card	temporary card	Art 91, par.10	Art 91, par.11	Art 18, para 4	Art 44, par 2
<b>Date of legislation</b>	1997	1997	2001	2005	2005	2007	2005
<b>Duration of program (months)</b>	5	10	3	9	7	7	ongoing
<b>Number of applicants [000s]</b>	371.60	228.20	350 (est)		96.40	n/a	
<b>Number regularised [000s]</b>		219.00		90.0 (est)	95.80	20.00	7.10
<b>Legal basis</b>							
	Specific law					✓	
	Within immigration law		✓	✓	✓		✓
	Decree law	✓	✓				
	administrative circular						
	Other (specify)						
<b>Type of program</b>							
	individual		✓				✓
	collective	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	Other (specify)					run-on from Art 91, par. 11	
<b>Program covers:</b>							
	all illegal residents	✓		✓			
	Illegal residents with employment		✓			✓	
	rejected asylum-seekers					✓	
	rejected "other status"			✓		✓	✓
	holders of expired permits			✓	✓		
	legal residents illegally working						
	family members			✓		✓	✓
	Other (specify)				holders of work permits	see above	individual basis
<b>Criteria used:</b>							

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<b>Number of mechanisms, 2008</b>		<b>1</b>						
<b>Program or mechanism?</b>		program	program	program	program	program	program	mechanism
<b>Program name</b>		White Card	Green Card	temporary card	Art 91, par.10	Art 91, par.11	Art 18, para 4	Art 44, par 2
<b>Date of legislation</b>		1997	1997	2001	2005	2005	2007	2005
RESIDENCE	Presence before [date]	d	✓	✓	?	✓		
	length of residence	d	d	✓	✓		d	d
EMPLOYMENT	employment contract	d	✓	✓	d	d		
	employment offer							
	employment record				d	d		
	social insurance		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	qualifications							
PERSONAL	family ties	d	d	d	d	d	d	d
	ethnic ties							d
	evidence of integration				d		✓	
HEALTH	+ve health status	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	health problem							d
PUBLIC ORDER	no criminal record	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
QUOTA	nationality							
	Other (specify)	not listed as undesirable alien			expired residence or work permit	d: visa		visa stamp
<b>Statuses awarded:</b>								
	Temporary right to remain (de facto)	✓						
	Temporary, limited access to employment							✓
	Short-term permit (1-2 years)		✓		✓	✓	✓	
	Long-term permit (3-5 years)		?		✓			
	Permanent residence (2003/109/EC)							
	Other (specify)	6-month Card		6-month Card				

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<b>Program or mechanism?</b>		program	program	program	program	program	program	mechanism
<b>Program name</b>		White Card	Green Card	temporary card	Art 91, par.10	Art 91, par.11	Art 18, para 4	Art 44, par 2
<b>Date of legislation</b>		1997	1997	2001	2005	2005	2007	2005
<b>Long-term perspective?</b>								
	YES		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	NO	✓						

<b>COUNTRY Spain</b>								
<b>Number of programs since 1998</b>	<b>5</b>							
<b>Number of mechanisms, 2008</b>	<b>3</b>							
<b>Program or mechanism?</b>	program	program	program	program	program	mechanism	mechanism	mechanism
<b>Program name</b>	Regularizacion	Retorno ecuatorianos	Reexamen	Arraigo	Extraordinary legalisation	temp: social integration	temp: humanitarian	temp: public interest
<b>Date of legislation</b>	2000	2001	2001	2001	2005	2000	2000	2000
<b>Duration of program (months)</b>	4.0					ongoing	ongoing	ongoing
<b>Number of applicants [000s]</b>	247.60			351.30	691.70			
<b>Number regularised [000s]</b>	199.90			232.70	578.40			
<b>Legal basis</b>								
	Specific law							
	Within immigration law	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
	Decree law	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
	administrative circular							
	Other (specify)							
<b>Type of program</b>								
	individual					✓	✓	✓
	collective	✓		✓		✓		
	Other (specify)							
<b>Program covers:</b>								
	all illegal residents	✓			✓			
	Illegal residents with employment					✓		
	rejected asylum-seekers	✓						
	rejected "other status"							
	holders of expired permits							
	legal residents illegally working	✓			✓	✓		
	family members	✓						
	Other (specify)		Ecuadorian	from 2000 program		for reasons of social integration	international protection and humanitarian reasons	public interest, national security and collaboration with administrative authorities
<b>Criteria used:</b>								

<b>COUNTRY</b>		<b>Spain</b>								
<b>Number of programs since 1998</b>		<b>5</b>								
<b>Number of mechanisms, 2008</b>		<b>3</b>								
<b>Program or mechanism?</b>		program	program	program	program	program	mechanism	mechanism	mechanism	
<b>Program name</b>		Regularizacion	Retorno ecuatorianos	Reexamen	Arraigo	Extraordinary legalisation	temp: social integration	temp: humanitarian	temp: public interest	
<b>Date of legislation</b>		2000	2001	2001	2001	2005	2000	2000	2000	
RESIDENCE	Presence before [date]	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
	length of residence	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓			
EMPLOYMENT	employment contract					✓				
	employment offer									
	employment record					✓	?			
	social insurance					✓				
PERSONAL	qualifications									
	family ties						?	?		
	ethnic ties									
HEALTH	evidence of integration				✓		?		?	
	+ve health status									
PUBLIC ORDER	health problem							?		
	no criminal record		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
QUOTA	nationality		✓							
Other (specify)										
<b>Statuses awarded:</b>										
Temporary right to remain (de facto)							✓	✓	✓	
Temporary; limited access to employment										
Short-term permit (1-2 years)		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Long-term permit (3-5 years)										
Permanent residence (2003/109/EC)										
Other (specify)										

<b>COUNTRY</b>		<b>Spain</b>							
<b>Number of programs since 1998</b>		<b>5</b>							
<b>Number of mechanisms, 2008</b>		<b>3</b>							
<b>Program or mechanism?</b>		program	program	program	program	program	mechanism	mechanism	mechanism
<b>Program name</b>		Regularizacion	Retorno ecuatorianos	Reexamen	Arraigo	Extraordinary legalisation	temp: social integration	temp: humanitarian	temp: public interest
<b>Date of legislation</b>		2000	2001	2001	2001	2005	2000	2000	2000
<b>Long-term perspective?</b>									
	YES	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	NO								

COUNTRY	Italy			Portugal				
Number of programs since 1998	2 (3)			3				
Number of mechanisms, 2008	0			3				
Program or mechanism?	program	program	de facto p.	program	program	mechanism	mechanism	mechanism
Program name				Agt Portugal & Brasil	Art. 71	Art. 88	Art. 55	Arts. 88-90
Date of legislation	1998 1999	2002	2006	2003	2004	1998	2001	2007
Duration of program (months)				2003-8	1.5	?	36	ongoing
Number of applicants [000s]	251.00	704.00						
Number regularised [000s]				19.40	19.30			
<b>Legal basis</b>								
Specific law								
Within immigration law								
Decree law	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
administrative circular								
Other (specify)				Internat. Agt.				
<b>Type of program</b>								
individual								
collective	✓	✓		✓	✓			
Other (specify)								
<b>Program covers:</b>								
all illegal residents								
Illegal residents with employment	✓	✓						
rejected asylum-seekers								
rejected "other status"								
holders of expired permits								
legal residents illegally working								
family members								
Other (specify)				Brazilian workers				
<b>Criteria used:</b>								

COUNTRY		Italy			Portugal				
Number of programs since 1998		2 (3)			3				
Number of mechanisms, 2008		0			3				
Program or mechanism?		program	program	de facto p.	program	program	mechanism	mechanism	mechanism
Program name					Agt Portugal & Brasil	Art. 71	Art. 88	Art. 55	Arts. 88-90
Date of legislation		1998 1999	2002	2006	2003	2004	1998	2001	2007
RESIDENCE	Presence before [date]	✓	✓		✓	✓			
	length of residence	✓	✓			✓			
EMPLOYMENT	employment contract	✓	✓		✓	✓		✓	✓
	employment offer								
	employment record	✓	✓			✓		✓	✓
	social insurance					✓			✓
PERSONAL	qualifications								✓
	family ties	✓	✓						
	ethnic ties								
HEALTH	evidence of integration								
	+ve health status								
PUBLIC ORDER	health problem								
	no criminal record	✓	✓		✓	✓		✓	✓
QUOTA	nationality				✓				
Statuses awarded:	housing	housing	housing						visa
	Other (specify)								
Statuses awarded:	Temporary right to remain (de facto)								
	Temporary, limited access to employment								
	Short-term permit (1-2 years)	✓	✓				✓		✓
	Long-term permit (3-5 years)	?	?						
	Permanent residence (2003/109/EC)								
Other (specify)				3 year work visa	temp. work visa		Permanent; work authorisn.		



<b>COUNTRY</b>		<b>Italy</b>			<b>Portugal</b>				
Number of programs since 1998		2 (3)			3				
Number of mechanisms, 2008		0			3				
Program or mechanism?		program	program	de facto p.	program	program	mechanism	mechanism	mechanism
Program name					Agt Portugal & Brasil	Art. 71	Art. 88	Art. 55	Arts. 88-90
Date of legislation		1998 1999	2002	2006	2003	2004	1998	2001	2007
Long-term perspective?									
YES		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
NO									

COUNTRY	The Netherlands				Denmark		
Number of programs since 1998	3				2		
Number of mechanisms, 2008	1				3		
Program or mechanism?	program	program	program	mechanism	program	program	mechanism
Program name	regularisation programme for 'white illegals'	Asylum seekers regularisation	General amnesty	temporary asylum status	Act 933 on temporary residence	Act 251 on tempory residence	Residence permit on humanitarian
Date of legislation	1999	2002	2007	2000	1992	1999	
Duration of program (months)	?	?			10 years	14	ongoing
Number of applicants [000s]	8.00	?	?	?	?	?	
Number regularised [000s]	2.20	2.30	25.00	?	4.99	3.00	
Legal basis							
	Specific law			✓	✓	✓	
	Within immigration law						✓
	Decree law						
	administrative circular						
	Other (specify)						
Type of program							
	individual	✓		✓			✓
	collective		✓				
	Other (specify)						
Program covers:							
	all illegal residents						
	Illegal residents with employment						
	rejected asylum-seekers						
	rejected "other status"						
	holders of expired permits						
	legal residents illegally working						
	family members						
		delayed asylum claims	delayed asylum claims	asylum claimants			various humanitarian reasons
	Other (specify)						
Criteria used:							

COUNTRY		The Netherlands				Denmark		
Number of programs since 1998		3				2		
Number of mechanisms, 2008		1				3		
Program or mechanism?		program	program	program	mechanism	program	program	mechanism
Program name		regularisation programme for 'white illegals'	Asylum seekers regularisation	General amnesty	temporary asylum status	Act 933 on temporary residence	Act 251 on tempory residence	Residence permit on humanitarian
Date of legislation		1999	2002	2007	2000	1992	1999	
RESIDENCE	Presence before [date]	✓	✓	✓				
	length of residence	✓						d
EMPLOYMENT	employment contract							
	employment offer							
	employment record							
	social insurance	✓						
PERSONAL	qualifications							
	family ties							d
	ethnic ties					✓	✓	✓
HEALTH	evidence of integration							
	+ve health status							
PUBLIC ORDER	health problem							✓
	no criminal record							
QUOTA	nationality					✓	✓	✓
Statuses awarded:	Other (specify)	proof of paying taxes	various	various				
	Temporary right to remain (de facto)					✓	✓	
	Temporary; limited access to employment							
	Short-term permit (1-2 years)							✓
	Long-term permit (3-5 years)							
	Permanent residence (2003/109/EC)							
	Other (specify)							

<b>COUNTRY</b>	<b>The Netherlands</b>				<b>Denmark</b>		
Number of programs since 1998	3				2		
Number of mechanisms, 2008	1				3		
Program or mechanism?	program	program	program	mechanism	program	program	mechanism
Program name	regularisation programme for 'white illegals'	Asylum seekers regularisation	General amnesty	temporary asylum status	Act 933 on temporary residence	Act 251 on tempory residence	Residence permit on humanitarian
Date of legislation	1999	2002	2007	2000	1992	1999	
Long-term perspective?							
YES							
NO							

COUNTRY			Luxembourg		Sweden		Finland	
Number of programs since 1998					1		0	
Number of mechanisms, 2008					1		?	
Program or mechanism?			mechanism	mechanism	program	mechanism	mechanism	
Program name			Residence permit on special grounds	Residence on behalf of the job card scheme	Regularisation de certaines categories	humanitarian status	Aliens Act, residence permits under	
Date of legislation					2001			
Duration of program (months)			ongoing	ongoing	2		ongoing	
Number of applicants [000s]					2.88	?	31.00	
Number regularised [000s]					1.84	?	17.00	
Legal basis								
Specific law								
Within immigration law			✓	✓		✓	✓	
Decree law								
administrative circular								
Other (specify)								
Type of program								
individual			✓	✓			✓	
collective						✓		
Other (specify)								
Program covers:								
all illegal residents								
Illegal residents with employment					✓			
rejected asylum-seekers					✓	✓		
rejected "other status"						✓		
holders of expired permits								
legal residents illegally working					✓			
family members						✓		
Other (specify)			various humanitarian reasons		continuous residence since 1998	humanitarian; children in education	long term asylum seekers	compassionate grounds
Criteria used:								

COUNTRY			Luxembourg		Sweden		Finland
Number of programs since 1998					1		0
Number of mechanisms, 2008					1		?
Program or mechanism?			mechanism	mechanism	program	mechanism	mechanism
Program name			Residence permit on special grounds	Residence on behalf of the job card scheme	Regularisation de certaines categories	humanitarian status	Aliens Act, residence permits under
Date of legislation					2001		
RESIDENCE	Presence before [date]				✓		
	length of residence	d			✓		
EMPLOYMENT	employment contract						
	employment offer						
	employment record	d	✓		✓		d
	social insurance						
	qualifications						
PERSONAL	family ties	d				✓	
	ethnic ties	d					
	evidence of integration	d			d	d	✓
HEALTH	+ve health status						
	health problem	d			✓	✓	✓
PUBLIC ORDER	no criminal record				✓	✓	✓
QUOTA	nationality						
	Other (specify)				parent of legally resident child	other humanitarian reasons	ties to Finland
Statuses awarded:							
	Temporary right to remain (de facto)						
	Temporary, limited access to employment						
	Short-term permit (1-2 years)				✓	✓	
	Long-term permit (3-5 years)						
	Permanent residence (2003/109/EC)	✓	✓				✓
	Other (specify)				renewal conditional on employment and non-dependence on the state	renewal conditional on employment and non-dependence on the state	

<b>COUNTRY</b>			<b>Luxembourg</b>		<b>Sweden</b>		<b>Finland</b>
Number of programs since 1998			1		1		0
Number of mechanisms, 2008			1		1		?
Program or mechanism?			mechanism	mechanism	program	mechanism	mechanism
Program name			Residence permit on special grounds	Residence on behalf of the job card scheme	Regularisation de certaines categories	humanitarian status	Aliens Act, residence permits under
Date of legislation					2001		
Long-term perspective?							
YES							✓
NO							

COUNTRY			Poland					
Number of programs since 1998			3					
Number of mechanisms, 2008			3					
Program or mechanism?	mechanism	mechanism	program	program	program	mechanism	mechanism	mechanism
Program name	Aliens Act, residence permits under	Aliens Act, residence permits under	"Great abolition"	"Small abolition"	"Great abolition -- continuation"	Permit for tolerated stay	National visa for exceptional circumstances	Fixed period residence permit
Date of legislation			2003	2003	2007	2003	2006	2003
Duration of program (months)	ongoing	ongoing	4	3	6	ongoing	ongoing	ongoing
Number of applicants [000s]	period 2003-7	period 2003-7	3.51	0.28	2.02	(2007 data)	1.27	n.d.
Number regularised [000s]	0.62	0.26	2.75	0.28	0.18	2.91	1.06	n.d.
Legal basis								
	Specific law							
	Within immigration law	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
	Decree law							
	administrative circular							
	Other (specify)				amended Aliens Law			
Type of program								
	individual	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓
	collective							
	Other (specify)							
Program covers:								
	all illegal residents			✓				
	Illegal residents with employment		✓		✓			
	rejected asylum-seekers							
	rejected "other status"							
	holders of expired permits							
	legal residents illegally working		✓		✓			
	family members							
	non-deportable aliens	family ties	independent means		had not applied previously for "Great Abolition"	non-deportable aliens	public interest; trafficking victims; medical treatment; etc.	spouse of Polish or EU national; spouse of TCN with EU long-term residence permit
	Other (specify)							
Criteria used:								



COUNTRY			Poland							
Number of programs since 1998			3							
Number of mechanisms, 2008			3							
Program or mechanism?			mechanism	mechanism	program	program	program	mechanism	mechanism	mechanism
Program name			Aliens Act, residence permits under	Aliens Act, residence permits under	"Great abolition"	"Small abolition"	"Great abolition -- continuation"	Permit for tolerated stay	National visa for exceptional circumstances	Fixed period residence permit
Date of legislation					2003	2003	2007	2003	2006	2003
RESIDENCE	Presence before [date]				✓	✓	✓			
	length of residence				✓		✓			
EMPLOYMENT	employment contract				d		d			
	employment offer				d		d			
	employment record				d		d			
	social insurance									
	qualifications									
PERSONAL	family ties			✓						✓
	ethnic ties							✓		
	evidence of integration									
HEALTH	+ve health status									
	health problem		✓							
PUBLIC ORDER	no criminal record		✓	✓	d		d			
QUOTA	nationality							✓		
	Other (specify)		non-deportable		no threat to state security; sufficient financial means	no threat to state security; not recorded as undesirable alien	no threat to state security; sufficient financial means	no threat to state security	no threat to state security	no threat to state security; not recorded as undesirable alien
Statuses awarded:										
	Temporary right to remain (de facto)		✓							
	Temporary, limited access to employment				✓		✓			
	Short-term permit (1-2 years)									✓
	Long-term permit (3-5 years)									
	Permanent residence (2003/109/EC)			✓				✓		
	Other (specify)					no right of residence granted			period of stay not exceeding 3 months	

<b>COUNTRY</b>			<b>Poland</b>							
Number of programs since 1998			3							
Number of mechanisms, 2008			3							
Program or mechanism?			mechanism	mechanism	program	program	program	mechanism	mechanism	mechanism
Program name			Aliens Act, residence permits under	Aliens Act, residence permits under	"Great abolition"	"Small abolition"	"Great abolition -- continuation"	Permit for tolerated stay	National visa for exceptional circumstances	Fixed period residence permit
Date of legislation					2003	2003	2007	2003	2006	2003
Long-term perspective?										
YES				✓	✓					✓
NO										

<b>COUNTRY</b>	<b>Lithuania</b>			<b>Hungary</b>		<b>Ireland</b>		<b>Estonia</b>
Number of programs since 1998	2			1		1		0
Number of mechanisms, 2008	1			1		1		2
<b>Program or mechanism?</b>	program	program	mechanism	program	mechanism	program	mechanism	mechanism
<b>Program name</b>						IBC/05	temporary permission to remain	
<b>Date of legislation</b>	1998	2004		2004	2007	2005	?	1997
<b>Duration of program (months)</b>	3	7 days	ongoing	3	ongoing	3	1996-2003	
<b>Number of applicants [000s]</b>	0.39	0.10		1.54	(2007 data)	14.10		
<b>Number regularised [000s]</b>	0.16	0.08	?	1.19	2.95	13.83	16.69	
<b>Legal basis</b>								
	Specific law			✓				
	Within immigration law	✓	✓	✓				
	Decree law				✓			
	administrative circular					✓	✓	
	Other (specify)							
<b>Type of program</b>								
	individual			✓	✓			
	collective					✓		
	Other (specify)							
<b>Program covers:</b>								
	all illegal residents	✓	✓					
	Illegal residents with employment							
	rejected asylum-seekers							
	rejected "other status"							
	holders of expired permits							
	legal residents illegally working							
	family members							
	Other (specify)							
<b>Criteria used:</b>								
				spouse of legal resident; or company director; or cultural ties with Hungary; or non-deportable	stateless; unaccompanied minors or orphans born in Hungary; assisting authorities with criminal investigation	parent of child with Irish citizenship	parent of child with Irish citizenship	citizens of the former USSR without Estonian nationality

COUNTRY		Lithuania			Hungary		Ireland		Estonia
Number of programs since 1998		2			1		1		0
Number of mechanisms, 2008		1			1		1		2
Program or mechanism?		program	program	mechanism	program	mechanism	program	mechanism	mechanism
Program name							IBC/05	temporary permission to remain	
Date of legislation		1998	2004		2004	2007	2005	?	1997
RESIDENCE	Presence before [date]				✓		✓	✓	✓
	length of residence				✓		✓	✓	✓
EMPLOYMENT	employment contract								
	employment offer								
	employment record				✓				✓
	social insurance								
	qualifications								
PERSONAL	family ties				✓		✓	✓	✓
	ethnic ties								
	evidence of integration								d
HEALTH	+ve health status								
	health problem								
PUBLIC ORDER	no criminal record				✓		✓	✓	✓
QUOTA	nationality								
	Other (specify)					humanitarian reasons	parent of child with Irish citizenship	parent of child with Irish citizenship	
Statuses awarded:									
	Temporary right to remain (de facto)								✓
	Temporary; limited access to employment								✓
	Short-term permit (1-2 years)				✓	✓			✓
	Long-term permit (3-5 years)								
	Permanent residence (2003/109/EC)								
	Other (specify)						Temporary permission to remain with work permission	Temporary permission to remain with work permission	

<b>COUNTRY</b>	<b>Lithuania</b>			<b>Hungary</b>		<b>Ireland</b>		<b>Estonia</b>
Number of programs since 1998	2			1		1		0
Number of mechanisms, 2008	1			1		1		2
Program or mechanism?	program	program	mechanism	program	mechanism	program	mechanism	mechanism
Program name						IBC/05	temporary permission to remain	
Date of legislation	1998	2004		2004	2007	2005	?	1997
Long-term perspective?								
YES					✓	✓	✓	✓
NO								

COUNTRY		Slovak Rep.	U.K.					
Number of programs since 1998		0	5					
Number of mechanisms, 2008		1	1					
Program or mechanism?		mechanism	programme	programme	programme	programme	programme	programme
Program name			Backlog clearance exercise for	Family Indefinite Leave to Remain (ILR) exercise	Regularisation programme for domestic	Regularisation of Overstayers Scheme	long residence concession	
Date of legislation		1999	1998	2003	1998	2005	2003	
Duration of program (months)		ongoing	1999 - 2000??	2003 - 2006	1998 - 1999			
Number of applicants [000s]		(2007 data)	24.08					
Number regularised [000s]		0.37	21.47	25.48				
Legal basis								
Specific law			✓					
Within immigration law		✓				✓	✓	
Decree law								
administrative circular								
Other (specify)								
Type of program								
individual			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
collective								
Other (specify)								
Program covers:								
all illegal residents								✓
Illegal residents with employment								
rejected asylum-seekers			✓	✓				
rejected "other status"								
holders of expired permits								
legal residents illegally working								
family members								
citizens of the former USSR without Estonian nationality								
non-deportable aliens; minors; trafficking victim; family reasons; other								
asylum seeking families								
domestic workers who left their employers								
Other (specify)								
Criteria used:								

COUNTRY		Slovak Rep.	U.K.				
Number of programs since 1998		0	5				
Number of mechanisms, 2008		1	1				
Program or mechanism?		mechanism	programme	programme	programme	programme	programme
Program name			Backlog clearance exercise for	Family Indefinite Leave to Remain (ILR) exercise	Regularisation programme for domestic	Regularisation of Overstayers Scheme	long residence concession
Date of legislation		1999	1998	2003	1998	2005	2003
RESIDENCE	Presence before [date]	✓		✓			
	length of residence	✓					✓
EMPLOYMENT	employment contract						
	employment offer						
	employment record	✓	✓				✓
	social insurance						
	qualifications						
PERSONAL	family ties	✓	✓				
	ethnic ties						
	evidence of integration	d					✓
HEALTH	+ve health status						
	health problem						
PUBLIC ORDER	no criminal record	✓		✓			✓
QUOTA	nationality						
	Other (specify)		non-deportable aliens; minors; trafficking victim; family reasons; other	persons have not left the territory of Uk			
Statuses awarded:							
	Temporary right to remain (de facto)	✓	✓		✓		
	Temporary; limited access to employment						
	Short-term permit (1-2 years)	✓					
	Long-term permit (3-5 years)			✓			
	Permanent residence (2003/109/EC)						
	Other (specify)						

COUNTRY		Slovak Rep.	U.K.				
Number of programs since 1998		0	5				
Number of mechanisms, 2008		1	1				
Program or mechanism?		mechanism	programme	programme	programme	programme	programme
Program name			Backlog clearance exercise for	Family Indefinite Leave to Remain (ILR) exercise	Regularisation programme for domestic	Regularisation of Overstayers Scheme	long residence concession
Date of legislation		1999	1998	2003	1998	2005	2003
Long-term perspective?							
YES		✓					✓
NO							



COUNTRY		Austria	Germany				
Number of programs since 1998		0	5				
Number of mechanisms, 2008		1	5				
Program or mechanism?		mechanism	programme	programme	programme	programme	programme
Program name		humanitarian residence permit	Regulation governing the right to stay for	Regulation for rejected asylum seekers who	Regulation governing the right to stay for		
Date of legislation		1999	1999	1999	2000	2006	2007
Duration of program (months)		ongoing					
Number of applicants [000s]						71.86	22.86
Number regularised [000s]		4.2 (since 2002)	18.26			49.61	10.86
Legal basis							
Specific law							✓
Within immigration law		✓					
Decree law							
administrative circular							
Other (specify)						✓	
Type of program							
individual		✓					
collective							
Other (specify)							
Program covers:							
all illegal residents		✓					
Illegal residents with employment							
rejected asylum-seekers							
rejected "other status"							
holders of expired permits							
legal residents illegally working							
family members							
Other (specify)		families with children	All illegal migrants may be regularised on humanitarian grounds			persons with 'tolerated' status	persons with 'tolerated' status
Criteria used:							

COUNTRY		Austria	Germany				
Number of programs since 1998		0	5				
Number of mechanisms, 2008		1	5				
Program or mechanism?		mechanism	programme	programme	programme	programme	programme
Program name		humanitarian residence permit	Regulation governing the right to stay for	Regulation for rejected asylum seekers who	Regulation governing the right to stay for		
Date of legislation		1999	1999	1999	2000	2006	2007
RESIDENCE	Presence before [date]						
	length of residence	✓					
EMPLOYMENT	employment contract						
	employment offer						
	employment record						
	social insurance						
	qualifications						
PERSONAL	family ties						
	ethnic ties						
	evidence of integration						
HEALTH	+ve health status						
	health problem						
PUBLIC ORDER	no criminal record						
QUOTA	nationality						
Other (specify)		residence permits are frequently issued to asylum seekers, who were already working in Austria, but whose application was				Sufficient income, school success of children, language proficiency.	
<b>Statuses awarded:</b>							
	Temporary right to remain (de facto)	✓					
	Temporary, limited access to employment	✓					
	Short-term permit (1-2 years)	✓					
	Long-term permit (3-5 years)	✓					
	Permanent residence (2003/109/EC)						
Other (specify)		Indefinite leave to remain				Residence permits and tolerated statuses	

<b>COUNTRY</b>		<b>Austria</b>	<b>Germany</b>				
Number of programs since 1998		0	5				
Number of mechanisms, 2008		1	5				
Program or mechanism?		mechanism	mechanism	programme	programme	programme	programme
Program name		The 'seven-year rule'	humanitarian residence permit	Regulation governing the right to stay for	Regulation for rejected asylum seekers who	Regulation governing the right to stay for	
Date of legislation		1999		1999	1999	2000	2006 2007
Long-term perspective?							
YES		✓					
NO							

<b>COUNTRY</b>		<b>Germany - continued</b>					<b>Belgium</b>
<b>Number of programs since 1998</b>							1
<b>Number of mechanisms, 2008</b>							1
<b>Program or mechanism?</b>		mechanism	mechanism	mechanism	mechanism	mechanism	programme
<b>Program name</b>		Granting of residence by the supreme Land	Granting of residence in cases of hardship	Urgent humanitarian or personal grounds	Victims of human trafficking	Right of residence for integrated children of foreigners whose	
<b>Date of legislation</b>		2004	2004	2004	2004	2004	1999
<b>Duration of program (months)</b>		ongoing	ongoing	ongoing	ongoing	ongoing	2000 - 2002
<b>Number of applicants [000s]</b>		Period 2005 - 2007	Period 2005 - 2007	Period 2005 - 2007	Period 2005 - 2007	Period 2005 - 2007	55.00
<b>Number regularised [000s]</b>		72.76	3.06	12.85	0.00	0.05	40.00
<b>Legal basis</b>							
Specific law							
Within immigration law		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Decree law							
administrative circular							
Other (specify)							
<b>Type of program</b>							
individual							✓
collective							
Other (specify)							
<b>Program covers:</b>							
all illegal residents							
Illegal residents with employment							
rejected asylum-seekers							
rejected "other status"							
holders of expired permits							
legal residents illegally working							
family members							
Other (specify)		certain groups of foreigners	hardship cases, the subsistence has to be assured	if presence in the territory is necessary on urgent humanitarian or personal grounds or due to substantial public interests	victims of trafficking	Right of residence for integrated children of foreigners whose deportation has been suspended	not only illegal residents but also asylum seekers who were still in the asylum procedure
<b>Criteria used:</b>							

COUNTRY		Germany - continued					Belgium
Number of programs since 1998							1
Number of mechanisms, 2008							1
Program or mechanism?		mechanism	mechanism	mechanism	mechanism	mechanism	programme
Program name		Granting of residence by the supreme Land	Granting of residence in cases of hardship	Urgent humanitarian or personal grounds	Victims of human trafficking	Right of residence for integrated children of foreigners whose	
Date of legislation		2004	2004	2004	2004	2004	1999
RESIDENCE	Presence before [date] length of residence						
EMPLOYMENT	employment contract employment offer employment record social insurance qualifications						
PERSONAL	family ties ethnic ties evidence of integration						✓ ✓ ✓
HEALTH	+ve health status health problem						✓
PUBLIC ORDER	no criminal record						
QUOTA	nationality						
	Other (specify)						impossible return
Statuses awarded:							
	Temporary right to remain (de facto)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	Temporary, limited access to employment						
	Short-term permit (1-2 years)						
	Long-term permit (3-5 years)						
	Permanent residence (2003/109/EC)						
	Other (specify)	Possible extension for maximum period of three years	Possible extension for maximum period of three years	Possible extension for maximum period of three years	Possible extension for maximum period of three years	Possible extension for maximum period of three years	

<b>COUNTRY</b>		<b>Germany - continued</b>					<b>Belgium</b>
<b>Number of programs since 1998</b>							1
<b>Number of mechanisms, 2008</b>							1
<b>Program or mechanism?</b>		mechanism	mechanism	mechanism	mechanism	mechanism	programme
<b>Program name</b>		Granting of residence by the supreme Land	Granting of residence in cases of hardship	Urgent humanitarian or personal grounds	Victims of human trafficking	Right of residence for integrated children of foreigners whose	
<b>Date of legislation</b>		2004	2004	2004	2004	2004	1999
<b>Long-term perspective?</b>							
	YES						
	NO						

<b>COUNTRY</b>		
<b>Number of programs since 1998</b>		
<b>Number of mechanisms, 2008</b>		
<b>Program or mechanism?</b>	mechanism	
<b>Program name</b>	article 9bis and 9ter (formerly article 9.3) of the Aliens Law of 1980	
<b>Date of legislation</b>	1980	
<b>Duration of program (months)</b>	ongoing	
<b>Number of applicants [000s]</b>	n.a.	
<b>Number regularised [000s]</b>	40 (2001-2007)	
<b>Legal basis</b>		
	Specific law	
	Within immigration law	✓
	Decree law	
	administrative circular	
	Other (specify)	
<b>Type of program</b>		
	individual	✓
	collective	
	Other (specify)	
<b>Program covers:</b>		
	all illegal residents	✓
	Illegal residents with employment	
	rejected asylum-seekers	
	rejected "other status"	
	holders of expired permits	
	legal residents illegally working	
	family members	
		also persons not illegally staying (e.g. asylum seekers awaiting decisions), ill persons
	Other (specify)	
<b>Criteria used:</b>		

<b>COUNTRY</b>	
Number of programs since 1998	
Number of mechanisms, 2008	
<b>Program or mechanism?</b>	mechanism
<b>Program name</b>	article 9bis and 9ter (formerly article 9.3) of the Aliens Law of 1980
<b>Date of legislation</b>	1980
RESIDENCE	Presence before [date] length of residence
EMPLOYMENT	employment contract employment offer employment record social insurance qualifications
PERSONAL	family ties ethnic ties evidence of integration
HEALTH	+ve health status health problem
PUBLIC ORDER	no criminal record
QUOTA	nationality
	Other (specify)
<b>Statuses awarded:</b>	
	Temporary right to remain (de facto)
	Temporary; limited access to employment
	Short-term permit (1-2 years)
	Long-term permit (3-5 years)
	Permanent residence (2003/109/EC)
	Other (specify)



<b>COUNTRY</b>	
Number of programs since 1998	
Number of mechanisms, 2008	
Program or mechanism?	mechanism
Program name	article 9bis and 9ter (formerly article 9.3) of the Aliens Law of 1980
Date of legislation	1980
<b>Long-term perspective?</b>	
	YES
	NO

<b>COUNTRY</b>				
<b>France</b>				
<b>Number of programs since 1998</b>	2			
<b>Number of mechanisms, 2008</b>	2			
<b>Program or mechanism?</b>	programme	programme	mechanism	mechanism
<b>Program name</b>			Admission on grounds of personal	exceptional admission of residence on
<b>Date of legislation</b>	1997-1998	2006	1998	1998 and 2008
<b>Duration of program (months)</b>	1997-1998		ongoing	ongoing
<b>Number of applicants [000s]</b>	135.00	33,538 cases		
<b>Number regularised [000s]</b>	87.00	6.92	80.40	21.08
<b>Legal basis</b>				
	Specific law			
	Within immigration law		✓	✓
	Decree law			
	administrative circular			
	Other (specify)			
<b>Type of program</b>				
	individual	✓	✓	✓
	collective			
	Other (specify)			
<b>Program covers:</b>				
	all illegal residents			
	Illegal residents with employment			
	rejected asylum-seekers	✓		
	rejected "other status"			
	holders of expired permits			
	legal residents illegally working			
	family members	✓	✓	✓
		ill persons	families with children enrolled in schools	
	Other (specify)			ü
<b>Criteria used:</b>				

<b>COUNTRY</b>		<b>France</b>			
<b>Number of programs since 1998</b>		2			
<b>Number of mechanisms, 2008</b>		2			
<b>Program or mechanism?</b>		programme	programme	mechanism	mechanism
<b>Program name</b>				Admission on grounds of personal	exceptional admission of residence on
<b>Date of legislation</b>		1997-1998	2006	1998	1998 and 2008
RESIDENCE	Presence before [date]				
	length of residence		✓	✓	
EMPLOYMENT	employment contract				
	employment offer				
	employment record				✓
	social insurance				
	qualifications				
PERSONAL	family ties	✓		✓	
	ethnic ties				
	evidence of integration			✓	
HEALTH	+ve health status				
	health problem	✓			
PUBLIC ORDER	no criminal record				
QUOTA	nationality				
	Other (specify)		families with children enrolled in schools		Humanitarian
<b>Statuses awarded:</b>					
	Temporary right to remain (de facto)				
	Temporary; limited access to employment	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Short-term permit (1-2 years)				
	Long-term permit (3-5 years)				
	Permanent residence (2003/109/EC)				
	Other (specify)				

<b>COUNTRY</b>		<b>France</b>			
<b>Number of programs since 1998</b>		2			
<b>Number of mechanisms, 2008</b>		2			
<b>Program or mechanism?</b>		programme	programme	mechanism	mechanism
<b>Program name</b>				Admission on grounds of personal	exceptional admission of residence on
<b>Date of legislation</b>		1997-1998	2006	1998	1998 and 2008
<b>Long-term perspective?</b>					
	YES				
	NO				