



A European Agenda on Migration

State of Play: July 2016

A COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH TO MIGRATION

No Member State can effectively address migration alone. It is clear that we need a European approach. This requires using all policies and tools at our disposal – combining internal and external policies to best effect. All actors: Member States, EU institutions, International Organisations, civil society, local authorities and third countries need to work together to make a common European migration policy a reality. The European Agenda on Migration presented by the Commission in May 2015 set out the need for a comprehensive approach to migration management. Over the past year, a number of measures have been introduced to address the immediate challenge of the refugee crisis and the Commission has put in place all the important building blocks needed for a European approach to ensure strong borders, fair procedures and a sustainable system able to anticipate problems. What is needed now is a swift adoption of the Commission's proposals by the co-legislators and the full implementation by the Member States of the collective decisions taken.



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18 May 2015	Military CSDP operation to disrupt the business model of human smuggling and trafficking networks in the Southern Central Mediterranean
27 May 2015	Triple the capacities and assets for the Frontex joint operations Triton and Poseidon in 2015 and 2016
	Additional € 60 million in EU emergency funding for frontline Member States
	Additional €30 million for EU Regional Development and Protection Programmes (RDPPs) starting from North Africa and the Horn of Africa in 2015/2016
	Relocation Scheme to relocate 40,000 people from Italy and Greece - adopted by the Council and in the process of being implemented
	Resettlement Scheme to resettle over 20,000 people from outside the EU - endorsed and in the process of being implemented
	Guidelines for the Member States on the implementation of EU rules on the obligation to take fingerprints – endorsed by Council
	Hotspot approach in Italy and Greece with deployment of Migration Management Support Teams
	A new Operational Plan for Operation Triton – implemented
9 September 2015	EU Action Plan against migrant smuggling - endorsed by Council
	Establishment of pilot multi-purpose centre in Niger in cooperation with IOM and UNHCR
	Relocation Scheme to relocate 120,000 people from Italy, Greece and other Member States directly affected - adopted by the Council and in process of being implemented
	A permanent crisis relocation mechanism under the Dublin system - under negotiation, EP rapporteurs appointed
	A European list of safe countries of origin – under negotiation, EP committee adopted report
23 September 2015	An EU Action plan on return - endorsed by Council
	€1.8 billion from EU budget for Trust Fund for Africa - EU money contributed, awaiting Member State contributions
	€500 million from EU budget for Trust Fund for Syria - EU money contributed, awaiting Member State contributions
	€1.8 billion from national budgets for Trust Fund for Africa
	€500 million from national budgets for Trust Fund for Syria
23 September 2015	Additional €500 million from Member States in humanitarian assistance for UNHCR, World Food Programme and other organisations
	Additional €500 million in EU humanitarian assistance for UNHCR, World Food Programme and other organisations

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30 September 2015	Additional €100 million in EU emergency funding for frontline Member States
	€1.3 million to increase staff of EU Agencies Frontex, EASO, Europol
8 October 2015	Additional €17 million in EU aid for Serbia and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
15 October 2015	Additional €900 million to tackle refugee crisis in EU budget 2016
15 October 2015	EU-Turkey Joint Action Plan
11 November 2015	Common Agenda on Migration and Mobility with Ethiopia
12 November 2015	Launch of EU's Emergency Trust Fund for Africa
13 November 2015	Agreement on EU budget for 2016 brings total funding to address the refugee crisis in 2015 and 2016 to close to €10 billion
24 November 2015	A €3 billion Refugee Facility for Turkey
10 December 2015	Additional €13 million in humanitarian aid for refugees in Western Balkans
15 December 2015	A European Border and Coast Guard
	Recommendation for a Voluntary Humanitarian Admission Scheme with Turkey for refugees from Syria
	Proposal to amend the Schengen Borders Code - provide systematic controls of EU national against relevant databases at the external borders both when entering or exiting Schengen area – under negotiation, Council endorsed, EP committee adopted report
16 December 2015	The EU Emergency Trust Fund for Africa launched its first package of actions to address the root causes of irregular migration and forced displacement
2 March 2016	Commission proposes new Emergency Support Instrument for faster crisis response within the EU
4 March 2016	European Commission presents a detailed 'Back to Schengen' Roadmap of the concrete steps needed to return order to the management of the EU's external and internal borders
	First projects under the Facility for Refugees in Turkey
6 March 2016	Frontex and NATO reached a common understanding on modalities for cooperation in the Aegean Sea

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15 March 2016	European Commission announces €445 million in humanitarian aid for Syria crisis
18 March 2016	EU-Turkey Statement to break the business model of smugglers and to offer migrants an alternative to putting their lives at risk
21 March 2016	Commission proposal to make 54,000 places foreseen for relocation available for the purpose of resettling Syrian refugees from Turkey to the EU
	European Commission presents a revised proposal for an Entry-Exit System to facilitate and reinforce border check procedures for non-EU nationals
19 April 2016	Commission launches first projects under Emergency Support Instrument to improve conditions for refugees in Greece
26 April 2016	European Commission proposes new approach to better support displaced people through its external action
4 May 2016	European Commission presents first package for reforming the Common European Asylum System (CEAS): Dublin, EURODAC, European Union Agency for Asylum
	Next steps towards lifting of temporary border controls: Commission recommendation to prolong proportionate controls at certain internal Schengen borders for a maximum period of 6 months
	Commission proposes to lift visa requirements for the citizens of Turkey as soon as the Turkish authorities will fulfil the outstanding benchmarks of its Visa Liberalisation Roadmap
7 June 2016	European Commission presents package for Legal migration & Action Plan on Integration
	European Commission launches Migration Partnership Framework for third countries
20 June 2016	Foreign Affairs Council extends mandate of EUNAVFOR Med Operation Sophia until 27 July 2017 and adds two supporting tasks: training of the Libyan coastguards and navy and contributing to the implementation of the UN arms embargo on the high seas off the coast of Libya
22 June 2016	Agreement of co-legislators on the creation of a European Border and Coast Guard
	€200 million allocated from the EU Trust Fund for Syria to support one million refugees in Turkey, Jordan and Lebanon
28 June 2016	European Council endorses Migration Partnership Framework proposed by the Commission
30 June 2016	€1.4 billion of the Facility for Refugees in Turkey mobilised for education, health, infrastructure, and socio-economic support for Syrians in Turkey
	European Commission proposes draft budget for 2017 with €5.2 billion allocated for measures to reinforce external borders and address migration crisis
13 July 2016	European Commission presents second package for reforming the Common European Asylum System (CEAS): Asylum Procedures Regulation, Qualification Regulation, Reception Conditions Directive, EU Resettlement Framework