

MANAGING THE REFUGEE CRISIS

State of Play and future actions

January 2016



Migration flows



* Kosovo: This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244/1999 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo Declaration of Independence.

Hotspots as of 12 January

11 identified 'hotspots', 3 fully operational (12/01/2016)



Lampedusa, Trapani – operational

Pozzallo and Porto Empedocle – facilities are ready and the hotspots could be opened quickly pending political decision by Italy

Taranto and Augusta – still under preparation and could be operation end of March



Lesvos – operational

Leros and Chios – to be operational in February

Samos – to be operational in February or March

Kos – work on the facilities necessary to roll out the hotspot have been put on hold by the Greek authorities

Hotspots as of 12 January

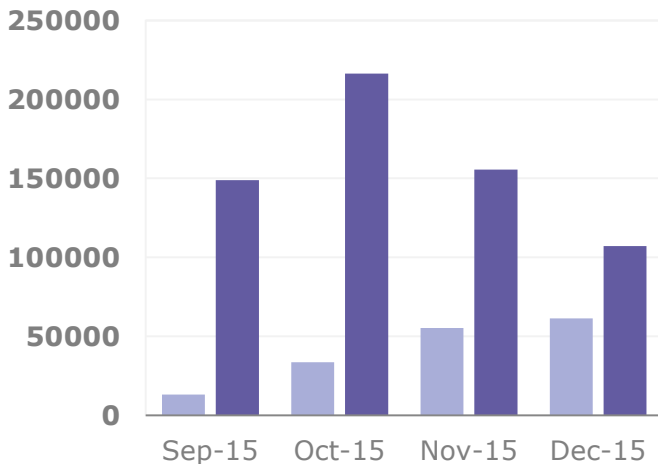
Hotspot	Agencies presence	Reception capacity
Lampedusa	Frontex: 17 Officers, EASO: 2 experts	650
Pozzallo	Frontex: 13 Officers, EASO: 3 staff	300
Porto Empedocle		300
Augusta		300
Taranto	Frontex: 4 Officers	300
Trapani	Frontex: 8 Officers, EASO: 1 expert, 1 EASO Staff	400



Hotspot	Agencies presence	Reception capacity
Lesbos	Frontex: 165 Officers; EASO: 3 experts; 2 EASO staff	700 (Moria) 780 (Kara Tepe)
Chios	Frontex: 30 Officers	110
Samos	Frontex: 49 Officers	250
Leros	Frontex: 29 Officers	0
Kos	Frontex: 42 Officers	0

EASO	Frontex
<p>374 experts requested for Italy and Greece (relocation process) on 11 January 2016, 201 experts have been pledged.</p>	<p>743 experts requested on 11 January 2016, 447 experts have been pledged.</p>

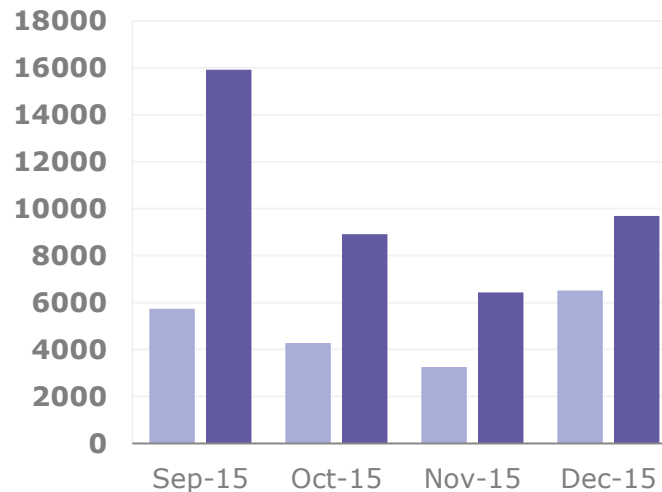
Fingerprints received for irregular entries at the external border



GREECE



 Monthly totals on Fingerprints received under EURODAC*
 Irregular entries in Greece during the period

ITALY



 Monthly totals on Fingerprints received under EURODAC*
 Irregular entries in Italy during the period

In Greece,

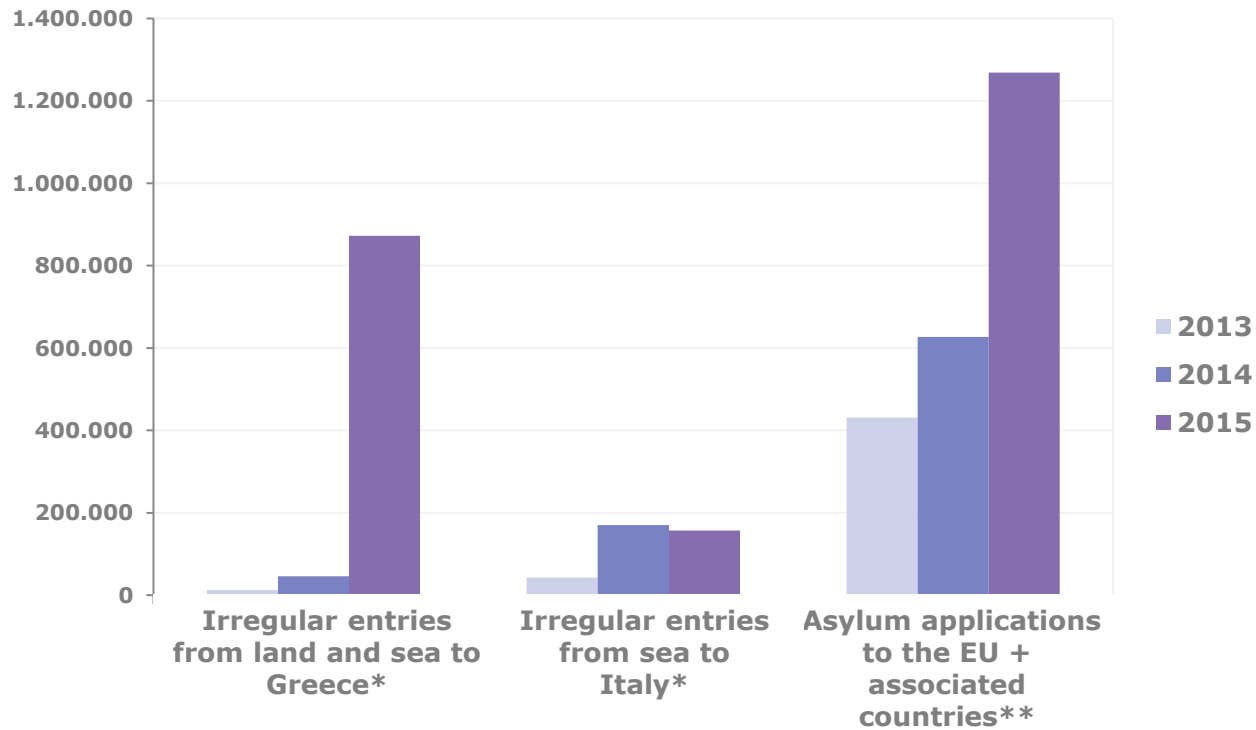
- Around 70 Eurodac devices are on the ground and operational
- In addition to these:
- 6 Eurodac devices to be procured by the Hellenic Police (the relevant procedure was launched on 9/1).
 - 9 Eurodac devices to be delivered by UNHCR (possibly this week) to the First Reception Service.
 - 90 Eurodac devices are yet to be procured.

In Italy,

- 5 Automated Fingerprint Identification System devices are in use.
- 5 Eurodac devices plus 1 foto-identification machine are in use.
- Additional 21 devices are foreseen for existing and future hotspots.

*Eurodac only stores data of persons above the age of 14.

Irregular entries and asylum applications



* Source: Frontex.

** For 2015 estimates only, some MS have not reported any data to EASO for the end of the year period.

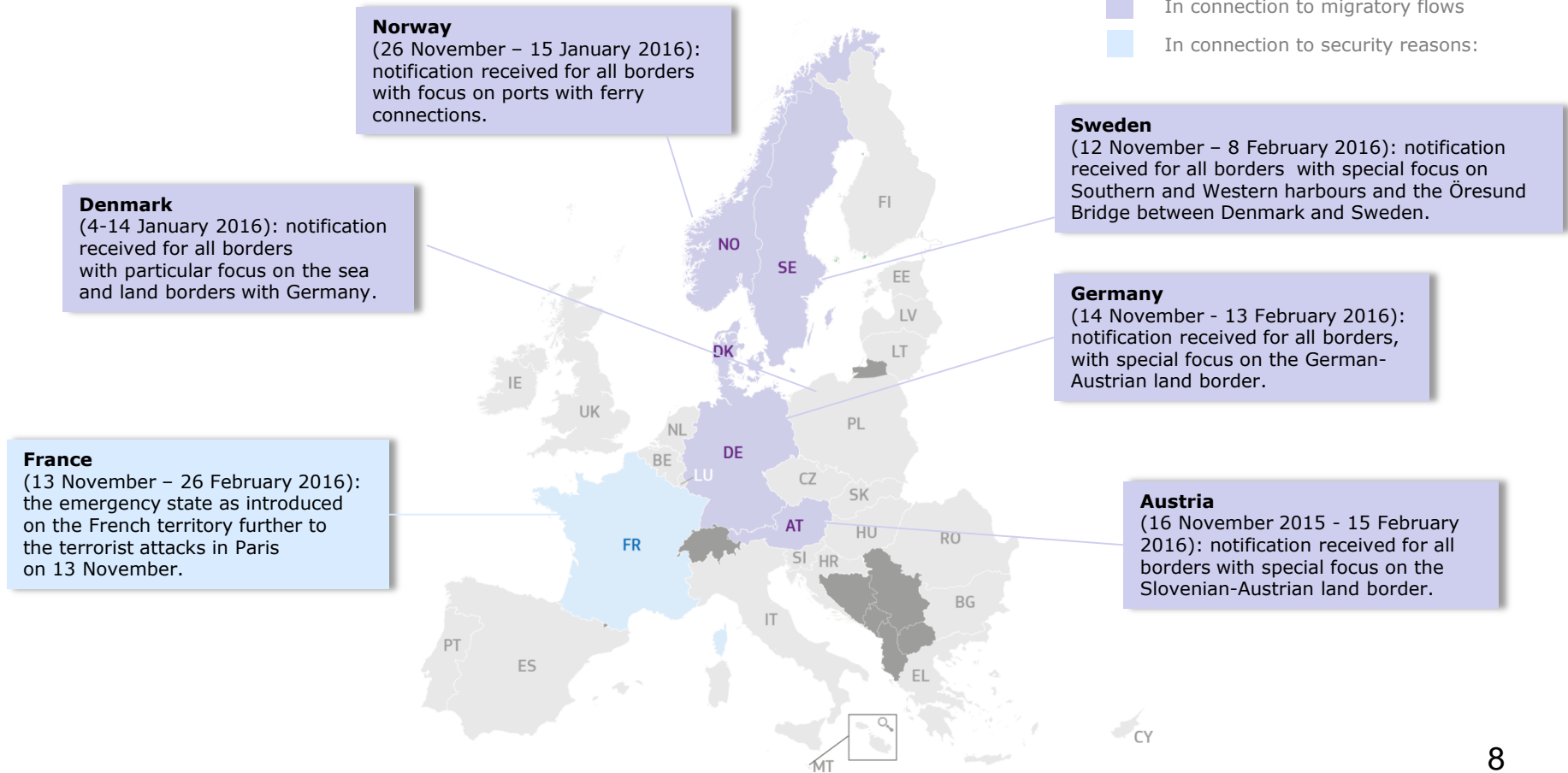
Relocation - State of play as of 12 January

Member States	National Contact Points Appointed	Liaison Officers Appointed		Reply to EASO call - Experts	Reply to Frontex call - Border guards	Relocation			
		Italy	Greece			Places Made Available	Relocated from Italy	Relocated from Greece	Remaining Places from the 160,000
Austria	✓	✓	✗	45	26	✗	✗	✗	1953
Belgium	✓	✓	✓	15	4	30	6	✗	3806
Bulgaria	✓	✓	✓	1	✗	1302	✗	✗	1302
Croatia	✓	✗	✗	2	11	✗	✗	✗	968
Cyprus	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	30	✗	✗	320
Czech Republic	✓	✗	✗	35	8	✗	✗	✗	2691
Denmark	N/A	N/A	N/A	5	50	✗	✗	✗	N/A
Estonia	✓	✓	✓	1	1	✗	✗	✗	329
Finland	✓	✓	✓	1	2	150	87	24	1967
France	✓	✓	✓	6	59	900	19	✗	19694
Germany	✓	✓	✓	13	50	40	11	10	27515
Greece	✓	N/A	N/A	1	✗	✗	✗	✗	N/A
Hungary	✓	✗	✗	1	4	✗	✗	✗	1294
Ireland	✓	✓	✓	2	✗	20	✗	✗	600
Italy	✓	N/A	N/A	✗	4	✗	✗	✗	N/A
Latvia	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	481	✗	✗	481
Lithuania	✓	✓	✓	1	14	40	✗	4	667
Luxembourg	✓	✓	✓	6	✗	90	✗	30	527
Malta	✓	✓	✗	2	✗	131	✗	✗	131
Netherlands	✓	✓	✓	6	23	100	✗	✗	5947
Poland	✓	✓	✗	✗	18	100	✗	✗	6182
Portugal	✓	✓	✓	✗	12	130	10	14	2927
Romania	✓	✓	✓	11	23	300	✗	✗	4180
Slovakia	✓	✓	✓	2	20	✗	✗	✗	902
Slovenia	✓	✓	✓	1	✗	✗	✗	✗	567
Spain	✓	✓	✓	30	41	50	18	✗	9305
Sweden	✓	✓	✗	2	6	300	39	✗	3727
United Kingdom	N/A	N/A	N/A	10	29	N/A	✗	✗	N/A
Norway	✗	✗	✗	2	3	✗	✗	✗	tbc
Switzerland	✗	✗	✗	✗	2	✗	✗	✗	tbc
Liechtenstein	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	43	✗	✗	tbc
Iceland	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	tbc
TOTAL	All concerned EU Member States have now notified	20	17	201 experts (of 374 requested)	447 border guards (of 775 requested)	17 Member States 4237 places (of 160,000)	190 (out of 39,600)	82 (out of 66,400)	97,982 (of initial 98,256)¹

¹ 7,744 from the 40,000 decision still to be allocated.

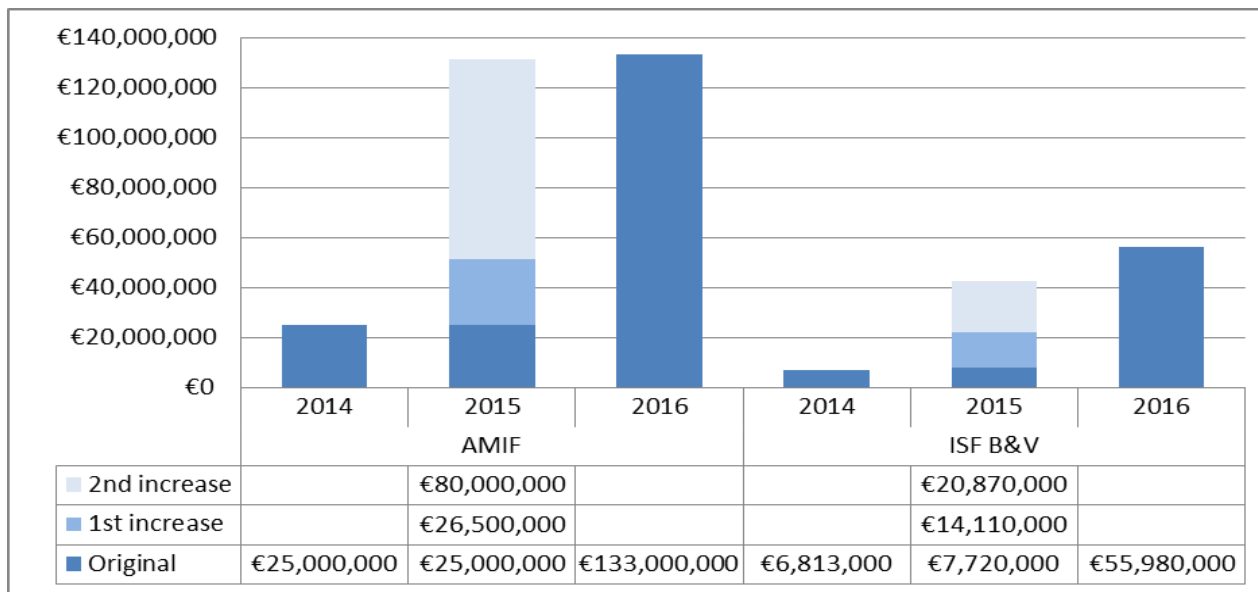
54,000 from the 120,000 decision still to be allocated.

Current Temporarily Reintroduced Border Controls in the Schengen area



Increase in funding 2015-2016

Emergency assistance



Resettlement ➔ **EUR 50 million** (25 million in 2015 + 25 million in 2016)
 Relocation ➔ **EUR 1040 million** (in 2016)

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AMIF – Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund
ISF B&V – Internal Security Fund Borders & Visas
 All funds provided by EU budget.

Milestones in 2015

APRIL	European Commission presents a 10 Point Plan of immediate actions
23 APRIL	Member States commit during an extraordinary European Council meeting to taking rapid action to save lives and better manage migration European Parliament Resolution follows a few days later
13 MAY	European Commission presents the European Agenda on Migration
27 MAY	European Commission presents the 1 st implementation package of the European Agenda on Migration: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Temporary relocation mechanism of 40 000• Resettlement of 20 000 persons in clear need of international protection• EU Action Plan against migrant smuggling• A new Operational Plan for Operation Triton• Guidelines for the Member States on the obligation to take fingerprints

25-26
JUNE

European Council agrees on **Relocation of 40 000 persons** in the next two years and on **resettling another 20 000 displaced persons** in clear need of international protection

9
SEPTEMBER

European Commission presents a second implementation package:

- Relocation of 120 000 asylum seekers from Italy, Greece and Hungary (Hungary refuses to enter the scheme)
- Permanent crisis relocation mechanism
- European List of safe countries of origin
- Action Plan on Return and a Return Handbook
- Setting up a Trust Fund for Africa

AS OF SEPTEMBER

First hotspots are being set up

23
SEPTEMBER

European Council agreed to assist Lebanon, Jordan, Turkey and other countries in dealing with the Syrian refugee crisis and to assist frontline Member States to establish hotspots and to tackle the situation at the EU external borders

8 OCTOBER

Western Balkans Ministerial Conference

15 OCTOBER

European Council welcomes the Joint EU-Turkey Action Plan and agrees to step up political and financial engagement with Turkey in a number of areas

25 OCTOBER

President Juncker called the Western Balkans Route Leaders' Meeting with Heads of State or Government on refugee flows. A 17-point Action Plan is agreed and followed-up on a weekly basis by the Commission and participating Member States

**12
NOVEMBER**

Valetta Summit on migration with African and EU leaders to strengthen cooperation and address the current migration crisis.
A list of concrete actions to be implemented by the end of 2016

29 NOVEMBER

EU-Turkey Summit: A Joint EU-Turkey Action Plan agreed

**15
DECEMBER**

European Commission presents the Borders package:

- Setting up a European Border and Coast Guard – reinforcing the mandate of Frontex as a European Border and Coast Guard Agency with new tasks and responsibilities
- Proposal amending the Schengen border code – provide systematic controls of EU national against relevant databases at the external borders both when entering or exiting Schengen area
- Proposal for a European travel document for the return of illegally staying third-country nationals
- Proposing a Voluntary humanitarian admission scheme with Turkey for persons displaced by the conflict in Syria

**17 – 18
DECEMBER**

European Council takes stock of the implementation of the decisions already taken and agrees to speed up actions on hotspots, relocation and returns, control of the EU's external borders and cooperation with countries of origin and transit

Way forward in 2016

Actions to follow up



- **On relocation:** **272 people** have been relocated out of **160 000** agreed in September by the Council. Relocation from Italy and Greece need to be speeded up as a matter of priority. The need for additional relocation initiatives will be explored.



- **On resettlement:** based on the information received from Member States and Associated States, **5 331 persons** were planned to be resettled under the scheme in 2015. At the end of last year, the Commission has received confirmation that a total of **779** were effectively resettled (out of the over **22 504** agreed). In March, Commission will make a proposal for a structured system to ensure a collective approach to resettlement.



- **On hotspots:** **5 hotspot** areas identified in Greece and only one fully operational (Lesvos). **6 hotspot** areas identified in Italy, out of which two fully operational (Lampedusa and Trapani).



- **On return:** efforts to be stepped up, leverage in all policy areas – visa policy, trade, development, and others – needs to be identified and used by the EU in order to increase numbers of migrants who do not have the right to stay in Europe.



- **On smuggling:** The Commission will present a proposal by the end of 2016 revising the existing EU legislation on smuggling.

Way forward in 2016

New initiatives

- **A reform of the Dublin System**
- **A legal migration package**
- **Reinforced financial support to meet the new policy requirements**