

Balance between security and seamless travel in Europe

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Trends: ever increasing number of arrivals and changed geopolitical context



Over 700 million crossings/year

Air: 385 mio passengers (2014)

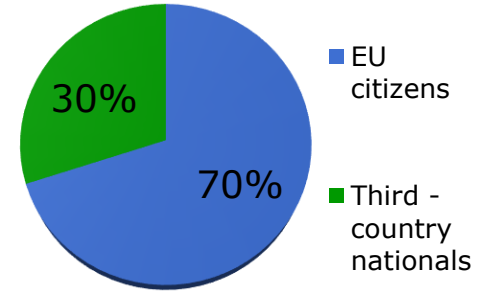
495 mio passengers (est. for 2020)

External borders

42 673 km of sea borders

7 721 km of land borders

~ 1800 border crossing points



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Entry Exit System

- Better monitoring of short stay rules
- Information on entry refusals
- Short-term migration becomes person centric
- Enabling border control automation and facilitation
- Supporting prevention, detection and investigation of serious crimes and terrorism
- Fact-based decision making when reviewing visa regime



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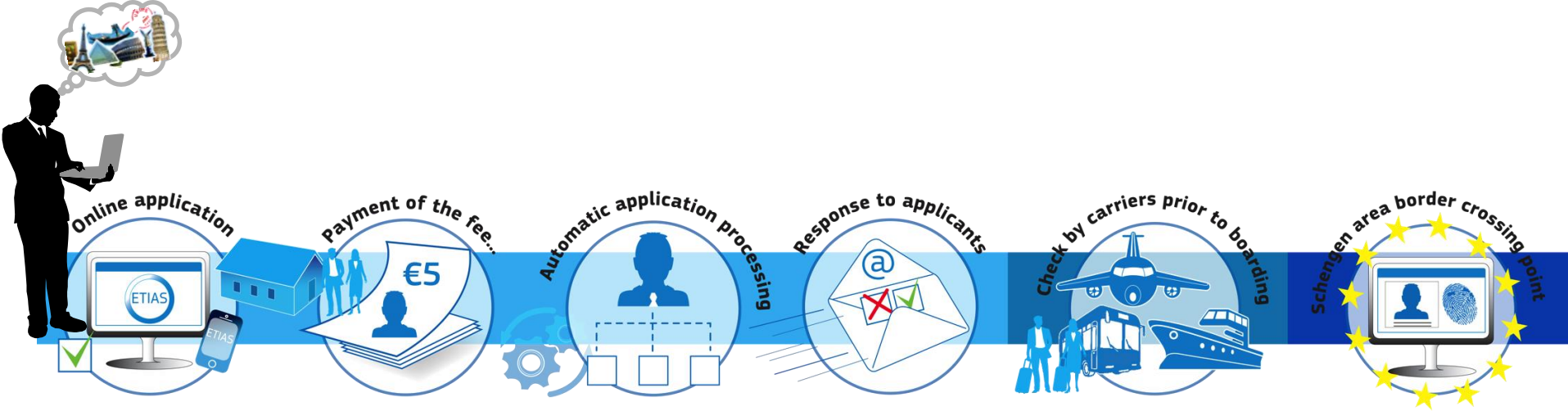


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- Improved border management
- Prevention of irregular migration
- Reinforced fight against crime and terrorism
- Complementing and safeguarding the visa liberalisation policy
- If needed, denied travel authorisation before the visa free travellers arrives at EU external borders



Smart Borders: seamless travel from a user's perspective



Next steps



Outlook for systems to be in place in 2020/2021.

Focus will shift to technical specifications, development, implementation, information campaigns, roll-out, etc.

Will require continued consultations among all stakeholders including tourism.

Thank you



Additional information

Smart Borders

https://ec.europa.eu/home-affairs/what-we-do/policies/borders-and-visas/smart-borders_en

Entry Exit System

http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_IP-16-1247_en.htm

European Travel Information and Authorisation System

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