



European Commission

MANAGING THE REFUGEE CRISIS

EU Financial Support to Greece

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Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund/ Internal Security Fund/ Emergency Assistance

Addressing the refugee crisis and managing our external borders are top priorities for the European Union. The Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund (AMIF) supports Greek national efforts to improve reception capacities, ensure that asylum procedures are in line with Union standards, integrate migrants at local and regional levels and increase the effectiveness of return programmes. The Internal Security Fund (ISF) supports national efforts to achieve a uniform and high level of control of the external borders and to fight cross-border organised crime. To support the Greek authorities as well as international organisations and NGOs operating in Greece in managing the refugee and humanitarian crisis, the Commission has awarded over €356,8 million in emergency assistance since the beginning of 2015. The emergency funding comes on top of the €509,5 million already allocated to Greece under the national programmes for 2014-2020 (€294.6 million from AMIF and €214.8 million from ISF).

Emergency support instrument

In urgent and exceptional circumstances, the European Commission can fund emergency humanitarian support for people in need within the European Union. The Emergency Support Instrument aims to provide a faster, more targeted way to respond to major crises. This includes helping Member States cope with large numbers of refugees, with humanitarian funding channelled to UN agencies, non-governmental organisations and international organisations in close coordination and consultation with Member States. Up to €700 million is planned over 2016-18; €198 million in funding for projects have been announced so far in 2016.

*information as of March 2017

All numbers in this factsheet have been rounded.



ASYLUM, MIGRATION AND INTEGRATION FUND (AMIF)

The fund promotes the efficient management of migration flows and the implementation, strengthening and development of a common Union approach to asylum and immigration.



INTERNAL SECURITY FUND (ISF)

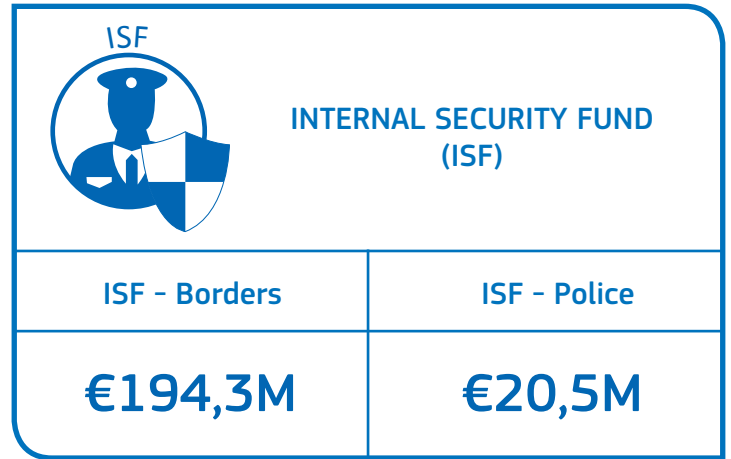
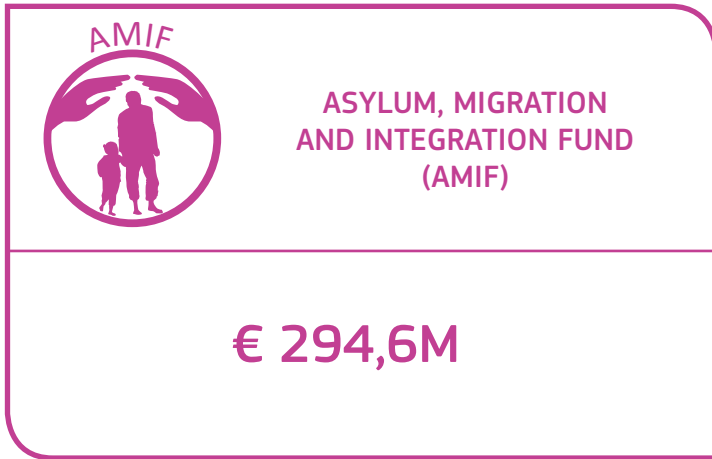
The Fund promotes the implementation of the Internal Security Strategy, law enforcement cooperation and the management of the Union's external borders. The ISF is composed of two instruments, ISF Borders and Visa and ISF Police.

National Programmes
2014 - 2020
(Long-term Funding)
€ 509,5M (allocated)

Emergency Funding for Greece
€ 356,8M
(awarded)



Long-term Funding to Greece (allocations) 2014 - 2020



Funding for emergency relocation mechanism



Greece will receive **€500** for the transport costs of every relocated asylum seeker.

€35.1 million was allocated for the implementation of the Relocation & Resettlement mechanisms.

€14 million have been paid as pre-financing since February 2016

**these amounts are already included in the Greece AMIF National Programme*



Emergency Funding (awarded)

€ 125,8M

AMIF Emergency Assistance directly awarded to Greek authorities

€ 56,2M

ISF Emergency Assistance directly awarded to Greek authorities











€ 174,7M














Emergency Assistance awarded to International Organisations/Union Agencies (IOM, UNHCR, EASO)
Source: AMIF and ISF





Emergency Funding









Overview emergency assistance from AMIF & ISF Borders and Visa Funds - Greece

Fund	Award Decision taken	EU contribution	Title of the action	Responsible Entity
	27/07/2016	€0.53M	Construction works of the sewer system and water supply network in Samos	Ministry of Interior and Administrative Reform
	27/07/2016	€7.2M	Emergency assistance for the effective management of immigration flows in the Greek territory	Ministry of Interior and Administrative Reform
	19/07/2016	€10,1M	Immediate enhancement of the response to the refugee crisis by providing shelter and accommodation, catering, health care, transportation at hotspots, ensuring this way healthy and safe living conditions for the target group (continuation of the project awarded in March)	Ministry of Defence
	19/07/2016	€52.2M	Immediate enhancement of the response to the refugee crisis by providing shelter and accommodation, catering, health care, transportation at open accommodation centres, ensuring this way healthy and safe living conditions for the target group (continuation of the project awarded in March)	Ministry of Defence
	19/07/2016	€24.18M	Comprehensive emergency health response to refugee crisis	Ministry of Health
	17/05/2016	€3M	Ensuring a fair and efficient Asylum Process, including in the context of the implementation of the EU-Turkey agreement	Ministry of Interior and Administrative Reform
	17/05/2016	€3.06M	Upgrading the existing IT-system of the Hellenic Police for the registration process of third-country nationals	Ministry of Interior and Administrative Reform
	17/05/2016	€7M	Provisional services to third-country nationals and operational support to the Hellenic Police services at the external borders	Ministry of Interior and Administrative Reform
	18/03/2016	€6.6M	Immediate enhancement of the response to the refugee crisis by providing shelter and accommodation, catering, health care, transportation at hotspots, ensuring this way healthy and safe living conditions for the target group	Ministry of Defence
	18/03/2016	€23.9M	Immediate enhancement of the response to the refugee crisis by providing shelter and accommodation, catering, health care, transportation at open accommodation centres, ensuring this way healthy and safe living conditions for the target group	Ministry of Defence



Fund	Award Decision taken	EU contribution	Title of the action	Responsible Entity
	03/03/2016	€3.5M	Enhancement of human resources in First Reception Centres	First Reception Service
	08/02/2016	€12.76M	Provision of prefabricated shelter houses for the hosting of third country nationals	Ministry of Infrastructure, Transport and Networks
	08/12/2015	€3.3M	Immediate enhancement of the response to the public health challenge presented by the refugee/migrant emergency on the front line of first reception in the Eastern Aegean Sea	Ministry of Public Health
	05/11/2015	€0.68M	Reinforcement of the Orestiada Police Directorate with police personnel	Hellenic Police
	05/11/2015	€2.54M	Return of third countries nationals to their country of origin	Hellenic Police
	16/10/2015	€5.99M	Transportation, Accomodation, Alimentation of TCNs in need of international protection and/or potential asylum seekers to mainland	General Secretary for Co-Ordination
	01/10/2015	€0.39M	Administrative reinforcement of First Reception Service	First Reception Service
	01/10/2015	€1.1M	Emergency assistance covering the deployment of additional staff members and Special Forces to the severely affected Eastern Aegean HCG Authorities in order to improve the management of the intense migratory flows	Hellenic Coast Guard
	01/10/2015	€4.03M	Emergency support enhancing the operational capacity of the Greek authorities and Civil Society Organisations to manage the extreme rise in refugee and migrant flows into Greek national and European territory	First Reception Service
	01/10/2015	€2.36M	Reinforcement of the Eastern Aegean Police Agencies	Hellenic Police
	01/10/2015	€2.89M	Emergency assistance covering unexpected maintenance and repair costs related to the intense use of HCG maritime assets as well as Search & Rescue and medical Equipment in view of ensuring a high level domain awareness of the severely affected Eastern Aegean EU external borders and to minimize the losses of human lives at sea	Hellenic Coast Guard
	17/06/2015	€0.69M	Emergency assistance in support of the organisation, provision of legal information and interpretation for the effective management of immigration flows in the Eastern External Borders	First Reception Service
	17/06/2015	€0.48M	Emergency assistance for the procurement of Search & Rescue Equipment to avert losses of migrants' life at sea	Hellenic Coast Guard

	17/06/2015	€2.20M	Emergency assistance covering staff related costs in order to ensure a high level domain awareness of the severely affected Eastern Aegean EU external borders and to minimize the losses of human lives at sea	Hellenic Coast Guard
	20/01/2015	€1.18M	Support the operation of the Greek Asylum Service, especially the provision of mobile asylum units on 4 border islands.	Asylum Service














Awarded Funds for International Organisations/ Union Agencies (IOM, UNHCR, EASO)

Fund	Award Decision taken	EU contribution	Title of the action	Responsible Entity
	24/05/2016	€25M	Strengthen the Common European Asylum System, safe pathways to the European Union for persons in need of international protection and acceleration of the implementation of relocation to alleviate the heavy burden that presently weights on Greece, in the context of the fast-track returns to Turkey.	EASO
	17/05/2016	€13M	Emergency support to assist most vulnerable migrants stranded in Greece	IOM
	17/05/2016	€30M	Supporting UNHCR Greece Emergency Response Plan and strengthening the capacity of the asylum service	UNHCR
	26/02/2016	€1.5M	Assisted voluntary return of third country nationals to their country of origin	IOM
	08/02/2016	€1.12M	EASO emergency support for the Greek hotspots to strengthen their fingerprinting capacity	EASO
	08/12/2015	€20M	Relocation programme from Greece to other EU Member States for beneficiaries in clear need of international protection	IOM
	17/08/2015	€2.7M	Strengthening of the first reception response to new arrivals in mixed migratory movements on the Aegean islands	UNHCR
	08/07/2015	€1.43M	Strengthening of the first reception response to new arrivals on the Aegean Islands and in the region of Evros in Greece. 'New Arrivals Intervention' – phase II	UNHCR

Greece - Indirect management

Fund	Delegation Agreement signed	EU contribution	Title of the action	Responsible Entity
 	26/01/2016	€80M (AMIF: €75M ISF: €5M)	Support to Greece for the development of the hotspot/relocation scheme as well as for developing asylum reception capacity	UNHCR

Emergency support instrument - Total amount of emergency support allocated so far: €198 million

Fund	Award Decision taken	EU contribution	Main activities	Responsible Entity
Contracted to date: €191.92 million				
	16/03/2016	€17 million	Basic health care, food parcels, water, sanitation and hygiene, psychosocial support, winterisation and cash-based assistance	IFRC
	16/03/2016	€7 million	Primary health care, referrals for specialised medical care, psychosocial support for migrants and refugees	Médecins Du Monde
	01/04/2016	€62 million	Upgrading of existing shelter solutions and site standards in preparation for the winter, provision of non-food items and essential services including water, sanitation, hygiene and protection assistance with an emphasis on unaccompanied minors as well as multi-purpose cash assistance	UNHCR
	01/04/2016	€14.87 million	Food distributions, site management support, shelter, protection, water, sanitation and hygiene assistance	Danish Refugee Council
	01/04/2016	€16.5 million	Protection, psychosocial support, safe spaces for women, safe learning and healing spaces for children, water, sanitation/hygiene and food assistance, cash-based assistance	International Rescue Committee
	01/04/2016	€6 million	Water, sanitation and hygiene, food, protection, winterisation of shelters, psycho-social support and counselling	OXFAM
	16/04/2016	€7 million	Child friendly spaces, non-formal education classes, psycho-social support and nutrition with special focus on unaccompanied minors	Save the Children
	01/06/2016	€6.8 million	Shelter, health- and psycho social support, non- food items, child friendly spaces, legal support and interpretation services	Arbeiter-Samariter-Bund
	01/08/2016	€11 million	Food aid, non-formal education, shelter assistance via an urban rental scheme	Norwegian Refugee Council
	01/08/2016	€3.5 million	Provision of assistance to extremely vulnerable refugees in the urban areas of Athens and Thessaloniki	CARE
	01/08/2016	€17.8 million	Transportation of children from and to schools, construction of new sites and rehabilitation of existing centres	IOM
	01/08/2016	€3 million	Construction of a new reception facility in Chios	UNHCR
	01/09/2016	€6.25 million	Multi-purpose cash grants	Mercy Corps
	15/09/2016	€4.7 million	Non-formal education assistance and comprehensive protection assistance for vulnerable children, including unaccompanied minors	Terre des Hommes
	01/11/2016	€8.5 million	Child protection services particularly targeting unaccompanied minors	UNICEF