

Resettlement and Relocation

Relocation inside the European Union

What is relocation?

Relocation is the transfer of persons who are in need of or already benefit from a form of international protection in one EU Member State to another EU Member State where they would be granted similar protection.

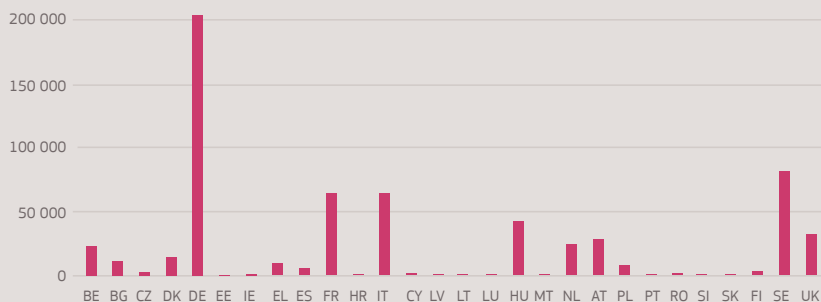


Source: Frontex, main migrant arrivals at external borders

What does the Commission propose?

The Commission proposes triggering the emergency response mechanism under Article 78(3) of the Treaty, which enables a distribution mechanism for persons in need of international protection within the EU, according to a distribution key. The Commission will also table legislation by the end of 2015 for a permanent system, which would enable a mandatory and automatically-triggered relocation system across the EU, when a mass influx emerges.

Asylum applications in the EU



Source: Eurostat - April 2015



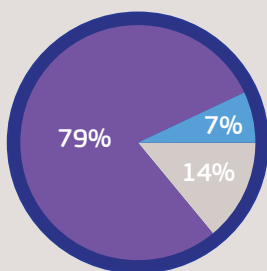
Resettlement Pledges for Syrian Refugees since 2013 in the European Union

What is resettlement?

Resettlement is the transfer of non-EU national or stateless persons who have been identified as in need of international protection to an EU state where they are admitted either on humanitarian grounds or with the status of refugee.

What does the Commission propose?

The Commission will propose an EU-wide resettlement scheme to offer 20 000 places across all Member States, based on distribution criteria. The EU will support this scheme with an extra €50 million for 2015-2016.



- Germany 30 000 places pledged
- Sweden 2 700 places pledged
- Other EU countries 5 300 places pledged
- Total EU 38 000 places pledged**

Source: UN High Commissioner for Refugees