



Programming of the Border Management & Visa Instrument

Policy and funding priorities

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BMVI - Relevant provisions for programming

- Eligible actions (Annexes II and III)
- Involvement of Agencies
- Equipment and training standards
- Schengen Evaluation and Vulnerability Assessment recommendations
- Actions in third countries
- Minimum percentages
- Actions for higher co-financing (Annex IV)
- Operating support

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BMVI Policy Priorities

- **Supporting effective European integrated border management at the external borders, including:**
 - ✓ Development of the national components of **European Border and Coast Guard (EBCG)**
 - ✓ **EUROSUR**
 - ✓ **Interoperability package and development of large-scale IT systems**
 - ✓ **Joint deployments and actions supporting Immigration Liaison Officers in third countries**
 - ✓ **Situational awareness and exchange of information, risk analysis**
- **Supporting the common visa policy**
- **Address and remedy all weaknesses and recommendations identified by the **Vulnerability Assessments and Schengen Evaluations****

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BMVI Policy Priorities - Borders and Schengen

- 1/ Country specific priorities
 - Addressing outstanding shortcomings identified during the Schengen Evaluation and/or the Vulnerability Assessment process.
- 2/ Horizontal priorities
 - Actions aiming at the development of the **national components of European Border and Coast Guard (EBCG) including capability development, EUROSUR**
 - In particular, it could include actions supporting national efforts for **setting up of the Standing Corps (Cat. 2 and 3)**
 - The further development of national components of EBCG could also involve the provision of **harmonised training of border guards** in accordance with the Common Core Curricula for Border Guards

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BMVI Policy Priorities - Borders and Schengen

- Member States should also consider measures related to the implementation of updated **Common Integrated Risk Analysis Model** and the enhancement of the collection and exchange of data for the purpose of risks analysis as required in the EBCG 2.0 Regulation.
- Member States should ensure **consistency between the BMVI national programmes and national capability development plans** which will be developed as part of the implementation of the new EBCG Regulation.
- Member States are requested to mention the aspects of the national programme that relate to the **implementation of EUROSUR**

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BMVI Policy Priorities – Large scale IT systems

What are we doing?

- **Define policy as regards EU «large-scale IT systems»**
 - There are currently **three systems operational** (**S**chengen **I**nformation **S**ystem, **V**isa **I**nformation **S**ystem, **E**urodac). These systems are subject of significant upgrades (« SIS recast » was adopted => current project, « new VIS » under negotiation => future project, « Eurodac recast » => future plan)
 - There are **two new systems** being built (**E**ntry **E**xit **S**ystem, **E**uropean **T**ravel **I**nformation and **A**uthorisation **S**ystem) + an initiative that reshapes the architecture (**interoperability**).
 - These systems lead us to address border control processes,
- **Provide support to eu-LISA project steering level and ensure that eu-LISA has the means to deliver the projects entrusted to them** => includes projects outside DG Home (ECRIS-TCN from DG JUST).

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BMVI Policy Priorities – Large scale IT systems

Priorities for 2021-2027

1. **Deliver the projects =>** ensure financing of MS for their share of the projects (SIS recast, EES, ETIAS, interoperability)
2. **Measures for MS to take advantage of SIS** (*example: tools and procedures for introducing biometrics in SIS alerts*).
3. **Measures for implementing EES/ETIAS in an efficient way** (*example: funds for MS for allowing mobile access by travellers for border pre-clearance*).
4. **Ad-hoc support for Border control** (*example: consequences of BREXIT on border process, change of status of neighbouring country, improving consistency of controls*)
5. **Technology upgrades of processes:** use of biometrics, artificial intelligence, interoperability of data.

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BMVI Policy Priorities – Irregular migration and fight against migrant smuggling

- Funding should be focussed on:
 - **Joint deployments and actions supporting Immigration Liaison Officers** in third countries.
 - **Increasing capacity of border control authorities to collaborate with investigative authorities on migrant smuggling** (including through addressing language barriers by increasing the number of interpreters).

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BMVI Policy Priorities - Visa Policy

- Training of consular staff and reinforcement of staff resources
- Document experts / advisors on document fraud in critical locations
- Consular cooperation between MS
- Ensuring consular presence or representation (including through ESPs) worldwide
- IT systems upgrades (e.g., to implement the revised VIS Regulation)
- Digitalisation of the visa policy

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BMVI Policy Priorities – Scheval / VA

SchEval

VA

Frequency

- Every 5 years (poss. unannounced visits)

- Continuous monitoring, every MS assessed at least once a year

Scope

- Total Schengen Acquis
- Selected BCPs and border sections

- Focus: Border control
- All BCPs and border sections

Aims

- Strategic approach
- Long-lasting process

- Operational approach, Preventive character



Both European Quality Control Instruments complement each other and support the allocation of financial resources

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B2 – Schengen evaluation

VA

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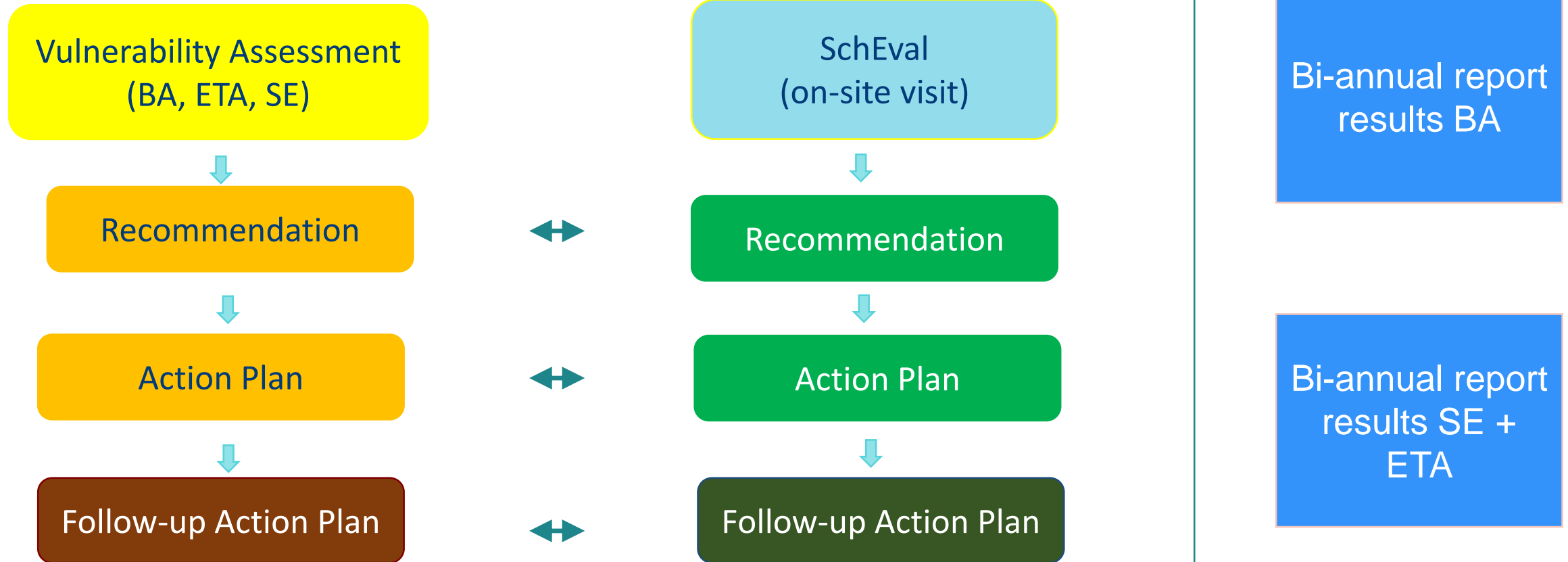
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