

NEXT LONG-TERM EU BUDGET FLEXIBLE TOOLS AND AN IMPORTANT INCREASE IN FUNDS FOR EFFICIENT MIGRATION MANAGEMENT

With migration remaining a global challenge for the foreseeable future, which needs to be addressed by the global community as a whole, the European Commission put **efficient migration management** as one of the **top priorities of action** within the **next long-term European Union budget (2021-2027)**, seamlessly combining both internal and external instruments to that aim. With a pragmatic and modern approach and a new budget architecture, the Commission is putting forward **tools for the EU to be able to respond to crisis situations** in the short term, while also delivering on long term priorities, essential to increase capacities in partner countries on migration management and addressing the root causes of irregular migration and forced displacement. The Commission is also proposing **tripling of the migration-related funds** for the next seven-year period.



TRIPLED FUNDS FOR INTERNAL MIGRATION MANAGEMENT

The Commission proposes to **almost triple funding** for migration and border management to **€34.9 billion, as** compared to **€13 billion in the previous period**.



MIGRATION: SUPPORTING A ROBUST, REALISTIC AND FAIR POLICY

The Commission is proposing to **increase funding for migration by 51% to reach €10.4 billion** under the **renewed Asylum and Migration Fund (AMF)**. The Fund will support Member States' efforts in three key areas: asylum, legal migration and integration, and countering irregular migration and returns. The new fund will continue its vital support to national asylum systems and will place a renewed focus on channelling EU funding to the most pressing issues, such as a **stronger and more efficient European asylum system; greater support for legal migration and integration; faster, more frequent and dignified returns; support for Member States; and better preparedness.**



2 SECURING THE EU'S EXTERNAL BORDERS

The effective protection of the EU's external borders is crucial to manage migration and ensuring internal security. Strong external borders are also what allow the EU to maintain a Schengen area without internal border controls. The Commission proposes to allocate **€21.3 billion** to border management overall, including the creation of a **new Integrated Border Management Fund (IBMF)** worth more than **€9.3 billion**.



THE NEW BUDGET WILL ENSURE GREATER

The new instruments will work in close coordination with the internal Migration and Border Management funds to maximise efficiency. In a complementary manner, the EU's external policy instruments include additional funds to step up cooperation on migration with partner countries, including efforts to tackle the root causes of irregular migration and forced displacement, to enhance capacities on migration and refugee management in all its aspects, to improve opportunities in countries of origin and to enhance overall cooperation on migration management and legal migration and development.

The new **EU external action budget** sees an increase of **30%**, amounting to **€123 billion** for the next seven years, up from **€94.5 billion currently**. The biggest part of this budget - **€89.2 billion** - will be channelled through a new, modern, simplified, flexible and transparent **Neighbourhood**, **Development and International Cooperation Instrument (NDICI)**.

The new instrument will provide **€68 billion** worth of assistance to foster dialogue and cooperation through **the geographic pillar**, with special focus on the EU's neighbourhood and Africa. By doing so, it will address a number of intertwined challenges, including migration. **The thematic pillar (total of €7 billion)** of the instrument will complement the activities from the geographic pillar when they need to be addressed at global level, and hence also migration-related challenges.

For the first time, this new instrument makes migration a major priority, with a horizontal spending target of 10% of the total, some **€8.9 billion**, dedicated to enhance capacities on migration management, tackle the root causes of irregular migration and forced displacement, for example by promoting development, inclusive economic opportunities and providing reintegration support, while fighting migrant smuggling and people trafficking, and creating conditions for legal migration and well-managed mobility.

COOPERATION WITH IMMEDIATE NEIGHBOURS IS KEY

Improved migration management, including border management, is an important component of the next **Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance, worth a** total of \in 14.5 billion, which supports EU candidate countries and potential candidates in the adoption and implementation of reforms.



The instrument's **rapid-response pillar** (total of **€4billion**) will allow the Union to react faster to unforeseen crises, intervene more effectively for conflict prevention, when there are urgent and immediate needs, including the displacement of people. This fund will also enhance the **resilience** of partner countries. Based on the lessons learned over the past years, the Commission will develop the appropriate tools and modalities to implement migration policy swiftly and effectively.

On top of the dedicated pillars, the proposal is backed with a **further reserve, a "cushion" of €10.2 billion** to respond to unforeseen challenges or emerging priorities, including in the field of migration.



A NEW APPROACH TO ROOT CAUSES

MORE-FOR-MORE

10% of the funds will reward progress in democracy, human rights, economic reforms but also cooperation on migration.



FLEXIBILITY

In the past, the EU had to stretch its flexibility to the limit to find resources and respond to migration challenges. New funds had to be created, such as the Facility for Refugees in Turkey or the EU Trust Fund for Africa. The flexibility cushion will enable the EU to react swiftly to emerging challenges.



SIMPLIFICATION

Fewer instruments will allow overcoming the limits of the past, to react in a comprehensive, fast and efficient manner, which will greatly improve the **EU's ability to respond to the migration challenge**.



A STRENGTHENED DEVELOPMENT-MIGRATION NEXUS

An ambitious **investment framework for external action** will raise additional financial resources for sustainable development from the private sector. It will consist of the **European Fund for Sustainable Development (EFSD+)** and the **External Action Guarantee**, with increased fire-power of up to €60 billion.



Together with the private sector and tahnks to the leverage effect, this may mobilise **up to half a trillion euro in investments** for the period of 2021-2027.