



# MANAGING MIGRATION

## EU Financial Support to Bulgaria

October 2019



**BULGARIA HAS BENEFITED FROM €313.4 MILLION OF EU SUPPORT SINCE 2015**

- » The Union's support to Bulgaria to better manage migration and borders come from two EU funds, including the **€67.9 million** from the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund and **€245.5 million** from the Internal Security Fund.



### ASYLUM, MIGRATION AND INTEGRATION FUND (AMIF)

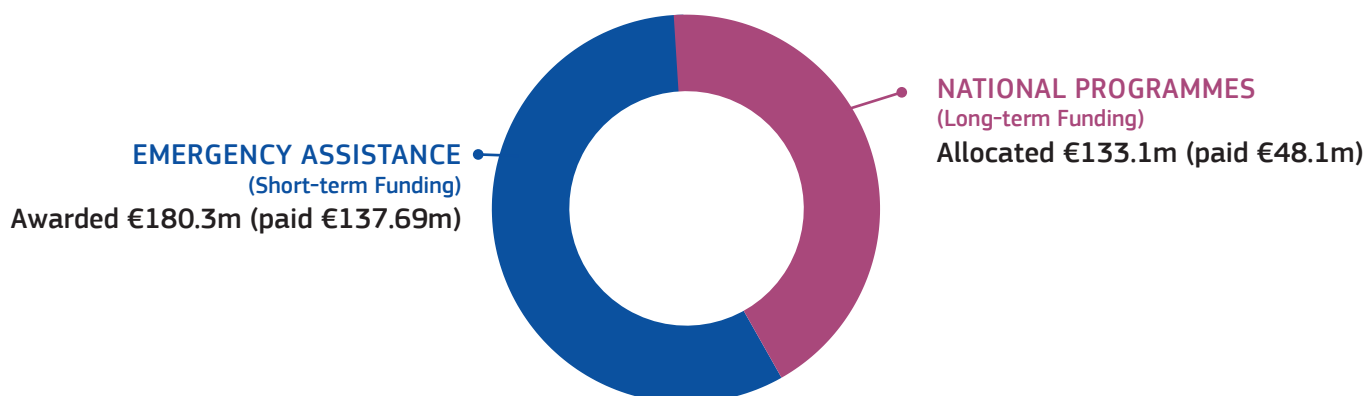
Funding under AMIF supports Member States in managing migration flows, including in the fields of asylum, integration, legal migration and return.



### INTERNAL SECURITY FUND (ISF)

Funding under the ISF supports Member States' efforts to better protect the security of citizens and to better protect and manage the EU's external borders.

It is composed of two instruments:  
ISF Borders & Visas and ISF-Police.



*\*All numbers in this factsheet have been rounded up or down.*



## EU LONG-TERM FUNDING: NATIONAL PROGRAMMES

The majority of EU funding under the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund as well as the Internal Security Fund is allocated to a Member State's national authorities at the beginning of each long-term EU budget period. EU funding for the current period (2014-2020) is managed and implemented by Member States' authorities through national programmes agreed with the Commission.



Since 2015, **€133.1 million** has been allocated, of which, **€48.1 million** paid.



## EU SHORT-TERM FUNDING: EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

Emergency Assistance under the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund or the Internal Security Fund can be awarded to national authorities or international organisations and agencies upon request of a Member State.

International Organisations

and

Bulgarian National Authorities








Since 2015, **€180.29 million** has been awarded, of which, **€137.69 million** paid.







## PROJECTS SUPPORTED BY EMERGENCY FUNDING



### EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE AWARDED TO BULGARIAN AUTHORITIES

Ongoing projects

| Fund   | Award Decision taken | EU contribution | Title of the action  | Responsible Entity  |
|--|----------------------|-----------------|--|---|
|  | 29/05/2019           | €1.29m          | Improvement of the security and the accommodation conditions in the centers for asylum seekers in Republic of Bulgaria | EMAS  |
|  | 19/02/2018           | €1.82m          | Increasing the capacity of Chief Directorate Border Police for effective border control at the external borders        | Ministry of Interior  |
|  | 23/06/2017           | €1.74m          | Improving conditions in the reception centres for Third country Nationals in Bulgaria                                  | State Agency for Refugees with the Council of Ministers (SAR) |
|  | 22/12/2016           | €36.23m         | Increasing the capacity for addressing migratory pressure at the external border                                       | Ministry of Interior  |
|  | 22/12/2016           | €11.96m         | Further strengthening national capacities in the fields of asylum, migration and return                                | Ministry of Interior  |


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|  | 16/09/2016 | €19.74m | Strengthening of national capacities in the fields of asylum and migration  | Ministry of Interior |
|  | 16/09/2016 | €42.91m | Support for addressing migratory pressure at the external borders   | Ministry of Interior |
|  | 16/09/2016 | €45.30m | Immediate enhancement of the capacity of integrated surveillance, communication and information systems at the external borders | Ministry of Interior |
|  | 27/01/2016 | €6.36m  | Support for addressing migratory pressure at the external borders   | Ministry of Interior |

#### Finished projects



|   |            |        |  |   |
|---|------------|--------|--|---|
|   | 14/03/2016 | €1.5m  | Implementation of Union return policies, as a response to migratory pressure on Bulgaria | Ministry of Interior  |
|  | 18/05/2015 | €4.10m | Support for addressing migratory pressure on Bulgaria                                    | State Agency for Refugees with the Council of Ministers (SAR) |

### EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE AWARDED TO INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS OR UNION AGENCIES

#### Ongoing projects

| Fund   | Award Decision taken | EU contribution | Title of the action   | Responsible Entity |
|--|----------------------|-----------------|---|--------------------|
|  | 01/02/2017           | €2.51m          | Further improving reception capacity of the Bulgarian asylum and migration management systems | IOM                |

#### Finished projects

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|  | 01/02/2017 | €3.59m | Protection of vulnerable migrants and assisted voluntary return and reintegration support                 | IOM   |
|  | 06/07/2017 | €1.22m | Improving reception conditions and the protection environment for asylum seekers and refugees in Bulgaria | UNHCR |