

MANAGING MIGRATION EU Financial Support to Cyprus



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CYPRUS HAS BENEFITED FROM €103.51 MILLION OF EU SUPPORT SINCE 2015

» The Union's support to Cyprus to better manage migration and borders comes from two EU funds, including €41.89 million from the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund and €61.62 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.



EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE (Short-term Funding)
Awarded €5.92m (paid €4.61m)

*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, €97.58 million has been allocated, of which, €37.08 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.



Since 2015, €5.92 million has been awarded, of which, €4.61 million paid.



PROJECTS SUPPORTED BY EMERGENCY FUNDING

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE AWARDED TO THE CYPRIOT AUTHORITIES

Ongoing projects

Fund	Award Decision taken	EU contribution	Title of the action	Responsible Entity
ISF	19/12/2018	€3.15m	POURNARAS – Needs for staff, equipment and consumables for operating the First Reception Centre (Pournaras)	Ministry of Interior

Finished projects

M/s	11/12/2019	€1.79m	Strengthen the existing structures and operational capacity of the Social Welfare Services to cope with the rapidly increasing numbers of asylum seekers and unaccompanied minors	Ministry of Labour, Welfare and Social Insurance
M/A	31/12/2014	€0.98m	Provision of every day basic needs and medical care to the almost 400 Syrian refugees that arrived in Cyprus on 25/9 and are currently residing in an open accommodation site + operational cost.	Solidarity Funds Sector – Ministry of Interior