THE MOVEMENT OF THIRD COUNTRY NATIONALS IN THE EU

LAW AND PRACTICE

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THE SCHEME OF THE TALK

Setting the stage: Interception at high seas, limits to return under the Dublin regulation

Theoretical introduction

- From freedom of movement for workers to the freedom of movement of the citizens (of the EU)
- The new meaning of security

The system of the acquis and categories of the affected persons

The movement of third country nationals across the borders and within the EU

Regular migration

Illegal (undocumented) migration

Asylum seekers, refugees

THE BERLIN WALL 1961 – 1989 AND THE FRONTIER AROUND EUROPE

During the Wall's existence there were around 5,000 successful escapes into West Berlin. Varying reports claim that either 192 or 239 people were killed trying to cross and many more injured.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Berlin_Wall_visited 25 February 2006

List of 16264 documented refugee deaths through Fortress Europe

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found dead	number	name	country of origin	cause of death	source
26/05/12	20		unknown	drowned, after an inflatable dinghy on way to Italy started to deflate off the coast of Lybia	Migreurop/LRP
19/05/12		N.N.	Anjouan Island, Comoros	drowned, after boat of 43 migrants sank off the coast of Mayotte (F)	Le Monde/AFP/Migreurop
19/05/12		N.N.	Anjouan Island, Comoros	missing, after boat of 43 migrants sank off the coast of Mayotte (F)	Le Monde/AFP/Migreurop
02/05/12	1	N.N. (16, boy)	Afghanistan	stowaway, suffocated in a truck into which he had hidden to avoid the border police checks	Migreurop/PICUM/AdnK/MP
01/05/12		N.N.	Somalia	died in a boat during a week-long voyage from LY to Malta, boat came ashore at Riviera Bay	UNHCR
29/04/12	3	N.N.	unknown	died in car accident while trying to escape a FRONTEX control, 2 migrants and the smuggler	Migreurop/KTG/TF1/PICUM/Clandestina/Age
28/04/12	1	N.N. (boy)	Egypt	drowned, after being thrown off a boat of 80 by smugglers when a patrol boat approached	Migreurop/LRP
26/04/12	1	N.N. (40, man)	Afghanistan	drowned, after being thrown overboard by smugglers dozens of meters from Calabria's coast	LR/Migreurop/PUCUM/FE
12/04/12	1	Alain Hatungimana (man)	Burundi	suicide, killed himself in the Netherlands in fear of being deported with his two children	DutchN/Migreurop/RNW/PICUM/ENAR
29/03/12	1	N.N.	unknown	body found in an advanced state of decay in the rural area of Tichero, Evros Prefecture (GR)	PICUM/Age/Clandestina
17/03/12	1	N.N. (±28)	unknown	drowned while trying to cross Evros River to enter GR, body found in area of Nea Vissa	PICUM/Age
16/03/12	5	N.N.	unknown	bodies found in boat of 57 on way to Lampedusa (I) rescued by Italian auth. in Lybian waters	PICUM/LR
15/03/12	1	N.N.	unknown	drowned while trying to cross Evros River to enter GR, body found near river in area of Soufli	PICUM
12/03/12	1	N.N. (28, man)	Eritrea	rolled over by the truck he tried to hide under to leave Greece, near the new port in Patras	PICUM/patrasT
29/02/12	1	N.N. (man)	Egypt	died of hypothermia, body found in a warehouse in the area of Korinthia (GR)	PICUM/Proto
21/02/12		N.N. (±20, woman)	Africa	died of hypothermia while trying to leave TR via Evros River, body found near Orestiada (GR)	PICUM/Infomob/Skai/Clandestina
21/02/12	1	N.N.	Sub-Saharan Africa	drowned while trying to enter Ceuta (E) by swimming along the coast from Morocco	MUGAK
21/02/12		N.N. (±23, woman)	Africa	body found by border guards in the Evros River (GR)	MNS
10/02/12	1	N.N. (±40)	unknown	died of hypothermia while trying to cross Evros River to enter GR, body found near Tichero	PICUM/Rizo
07/02/12	1	N.N. (25)	unknown	died of hypothermia in Health Centre of Soufli after crossing Evros River to enter Greece	PICUM/Skai
07/02/12	3	N.N. (±20)	Afghanistan	stowaway, suffocated on an Italy-bound truck and abandoned by smugglers near Parga (GR)	MNS
06/02/12	3	N.N. (±20)	Afghanistan	stowaway, died of asphyxiation in truck on way to Igoumenitsa (GR), a port leading to Italy	PICUM/TVXS
29/01/12	1	N.N. (29, man)	Iran	suicide, found hanged in asylum seekers house in Wurzburg (D), was in cure for depression	HRS/SD/MainP/U4IB/SOS/Karawane
25/01/12		N.N.	Somalia	drowned, after their vessel of 55 migrants sank, bodies found off the coast of Misrata (LY)	MNS
25/01/12	40	N.N.	Somalia	missing, after their vessel of 55 migrants sank off the coast of Misrata (LY)	MNS
22/01/12	1	N.N. (±25, man)	North Africa	body found floating in an advanced state of decomposition 7 miles from Cabo de Palos (E)	MUGAK/Verdad
15/01/12	15	N.N. (12women; 2men; 1baby)	Somalia	bodies found on Libyan beaches after shipwreck of boat part of 4 boats group on way to I	PICUM/FE/TimesM/AFP/jW
15/01/12	1	N.N.	Somalia	found dead alone in shipwrecked boat that was part of group of 4 boats on way from LY to I	PICUM/FE/TimesM/AFP/jW

Source: http://www.unitedagainstracism.org/pdfs/listofdeaths.pdf visited 13 September 2012

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Hirsi Jamaa and others v. Italy Appl. No. 27765/09
European Court of Human Rights
Grand Chamber judgment of 23
February 2012

APPL. No. 27765/09

GRAND CHAMBER JUDGMENT OF 23 FEBRUARY 2012

Facts

- Eleven Somali nationals and thirteen Eritrean nationals left Libya aboard vessels with the aim of reaching the Italian coast.
- On 6 May 2009, when the vessels were 35 nautical miles south of Lampedusa (Agrigento) they were intercepted by ships from the Italian Revenue Police and were transferred onto Italian military ships and returned to Tripoli. The applicants alleged that during that voyage the Italian authorities did not inform them of their real destination and took no steps to identify them.
- On arrival in the Port of Tripoli, following a ten-hour voyage, the migrants were forced to leave the Italian ships.
- This was the consequence of the entry into force on 4 February 2009 of bilateral agreements concluded with Libya,
- Between 6 and 10 May 2009, more than 471 irregular migrants had been intercepted on the high seas and transferred to Libya

APPL. No. 27765/09

GRAND CHAMBER JUDGMENT OF 23 FEBRUARY 2012

Legal issues

Did Italy exercise its jurisdiction?

Were the returned persons exposed to the danger of inhuman, degrading treatment or torture in Libya or in Somalia and Eritrea?

Jurisdiction

Applicants' claim

Boarding the Italian vessels put them under the exclusive jurisdiction of Italy. According to Italian law vessels flying the flag of Italy fall within Italian jurisdiction

The government's claim

Italy denied that it had exercised "absolute and exclusive control" over the applicants.

The operation was a "rescue on the high seas of persons in distress".

The Court: In exceptional circumstances states are responsible (exercise jurisdiction) outside their territory,

- if they have full and effective control over a place
- if their agents exercise "control and authority over an individual"
- + The Italian ship qualifies as Italian territory

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Inhuman and degrading treatment or punishment or torture (Article 3) issues

Two claims of breaching art 3:

- Treatment in Libya
- Potential refoulement to Eritrea and Somalia

Treatment in Libya

Applicants (and third party interveners): inhuman and degrading conditions in which irregular migrants, notably of Somali and Eritrean origin find themselves.

Government:

EU encouraged migration co-operation between Mediterranean countries

Libya was a safe host country (sic-BN) Although not a party to the 1951 Geneva Convention. It authorised UNHCR and IOM to operate in Tripoli UNHCR could recognise refugees in Tripoli – another proof that return to Libya did not entail danger

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The Court

- If the person to be removed faces a real risk of being subjected to inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment or torture in the receiving country then states are obliged not to expel the individual to that country
- Difficulties of states forming the external border of the EU acknowledged, but that can not absolve the states of their obligations under Art 3 of the ECHR as they are absolute obligations
- Libya did not comply with the rules on protecting refugees. Asylum seekers and other irregular migrants were not distinguished
- The conditions in Somalia and Eritrea also raise the danger of the violation of Article 3 there.

Italy breached its human rights obligation by intercepting and returning these migrants on the high seas without investigating their fear of article 3 treatment in Lybia and in Eritrea and Somalia

Return within Europe, under the Dublin system

CASE OF M.S.S. v. BELGIUM AND GREECE

(Application no. 30696/09)

European Court of Human RIGHTS

GRAND CHAMBER JUDGMENT

STRASBOURG

21 January 2011

N. S. (C-411/10) v Secretary of State for the Home Department (UK)

and

M. E. and others (C-493/10) v Refugee Applications Commissioner, Minister for Justice, Equality and Law Reform, (Ireland)

COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

JUDGMENT, 21 DECEMBER 2011

ECtHR - CJEU

Greece subjects asylum seekers to inhuman treatment and threat of return to persecution – Belgium ought to have known of the poor treatment and of the threat of no real asylum procedure – it was obliged not to return M.S.S to Greece

 "if there are substantial grounds for believing that there are systemic flaws in the asylum procedure and reception conditions for asylum applicants in the Member State responsible, resulting in inhuman or degrading treatment, of asylum seekers transferred..." the transfer is prohibited

End of the mutual trust/recognition of EU Member States decisions and treatment

OVERVIEW - DILEMMAS

THE IMPACT OF THE IDEA OF SCHENGEN AND THE AREA OF FREEDOM, SECURITY AND JUSTICE (AFSJ)

The fundamental dilemma:

Sovereignty (control, security) - freedom of movement, abolition of borders

Responses:

Up to Maastricht (1992) (sovereignty)

Maastricht-Amsterdam (sovereignty but Schengen and "matters of common interest")

After Amsterdam (1 May 1999):

Genuine freedom (for EU citizens) with

- flanking measures
- closer cooperation, opt ins and opt outs, i.e. variable geometry

Emerging common policy on regular, illegal and forced migration of third country nationals

Lisbon Treaty (after 1 December 2009) — no substantive change in these fields

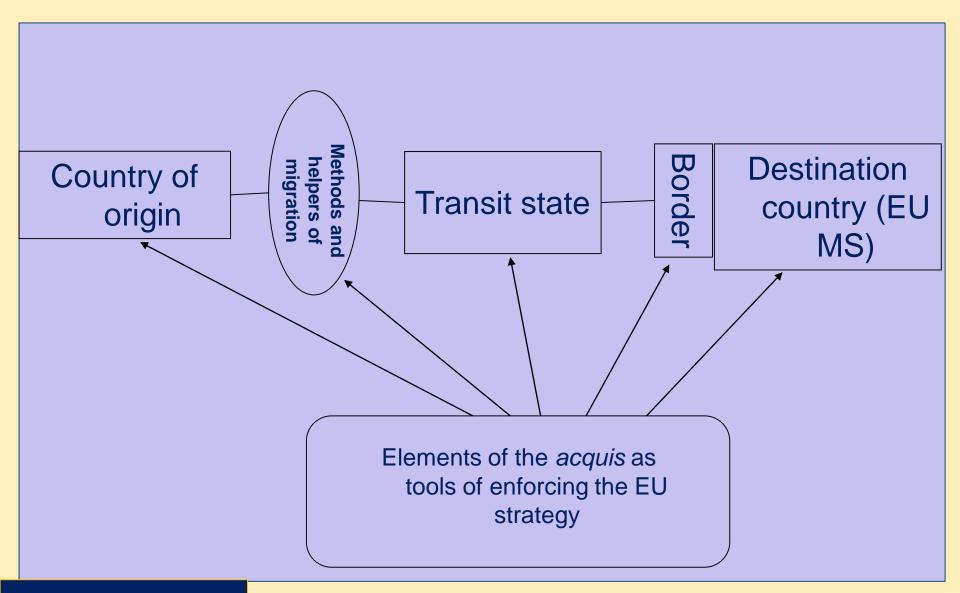
THE NEW PERCEPTION OF SECURITY AND THE SECURITIZATION OF THE DISCOURSE

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Military security replaced (augmented) by
                           internal,
                           cultural
                         and welfare
                     security (Huysmans)
                            and a
security continuum
  developed, perceived as comprising
       border control-terrorism - international crime -
                          migration
                            (Bigo)
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MIGRATION

AN OVERVIEW OF THE SITES, LEVELS AND TYPES OF EU RESPONSES

PHASES/SITES OF MIGRATION



DIMENSIONS OF THE ANALYSIS — MAIN ELEMENTS OF THE MIGRATION ACQUIS Destination Border and helpers of migration Methods Transit state country Country of origin (EU MS) **EU** Immigration policy External border Immigration rules (their Man smuggling, - workers,

Transit visa

Fight against trafficking

Carrier sanctions

Interception in

international waters

Document protection

(from falsification)

impact);

Co-operation with third

states in the

migration

seeking

management of

Tackling the root

causes of asylum

Safe country of origin

Surveillance

conditions

of crossing;

abolition of

internal

borders

Frontex

Eurosur

Visa:

Alerts

Safe third country

Return agreements

(Schengen)

- service providers

- "blue card" - highly

- family unification

- seasonal workers

Burden and responsibility

Cooperation in removal/return

xenophobia and discrimination

-intra corporate

transferees

Fight agains racism,

skilled

- researchers.

- students

Integration

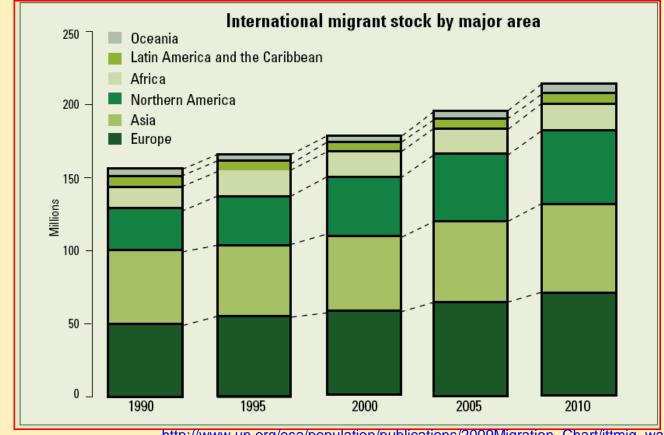
Asylum acquis

sharing

DIMENSIONS OF THE ANALYSIS — OVERVIEW OF THE JUNCTURES)

Type of migrant	The position of the migrant from the EU's point of view	▶ Preferred	Reservations	Pawn in the game	U	nwanted
Regular		National of the EU MS or of the EEA MS or of Switzerland	New MS, Europe Agreements, Associated states (Turkey)	ACP and Maghreb countries; nationals states with return agrements; Eastern Europe		Visa rejected
	S. Peer's category:	Market citizen	Worker	"Alien"		
Irregular	Refugee	Resettlement "Quota refugees" "protected entry"	Asylum seeker ariving directly from the territory of persecution	Asylum seeker arriving through third countries	Arrivin	e the EU; g from safe y of origin; ted
Illegal migrant				Regularisation Victims of trafficking	rer alr	ose to be noved or eady noved

THE CONTEXT



% of migrants in global population Approx.

1990: 2,9 2000: 2,9 2010: 3,2

http://www.un.org/esa/population/publications/2009Migration Chart/ittmig wallchart09.pdf
United Nations • Department of Economic and Social Affairs • Population Division

Notes International Migration 2009 www.unmigration.org www.unpopulation.org

Global population											
	1950 1960 1970 1980 1990 2000 2010 2020 2030 2040 2050										
World	2 519 470	3 023 812	3 696 588	4 442 295	5 279 519	6 085 572	6 842 923	7 577 889	8 199 104	8 701 319	9 075 903

THE SOURCE OF THE MIGRATORY PRESSURE

POPULATION CLOCK, 2012

		WORLD	MORE DEVELOPED COUNTRIES	COUNTRIES
Population		7,057,075,000	1,243,018,000	5,814,057,000
	Year	140,541,944	13,923,718	126,618,226
Births per	Day	385,046	38,147	346,899
	Minute	267	26	241
	Year	56,238,002	12,191,662	44,046,340
Deaths per	Day	154,077	33,402	120,675
	Minute	107	23	84
	Year	84,303,942	1,732,056	82,571,886
Natural increase per	Day	230,970	4,745	226,224
	Minute	160	3	157
	Year	5,779,276	72,128	5,707,148
Infant deaths per	Day	15,834	198	15,636
	Minute	11	0	11

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2012 WORLD POPULATION DATA SHEET

AGEING

		60 years	As percenta	a atage of	80 years or		
	Numbe (thousan	od)		ation entage	older among the 60 or older percentage)		
Country or region	2012 (1)	2050 (2)	2012 (3)	2050 (4)	2012 (5)	2050 (6)	
Global	809 743 2	2 031 337	11	22	14	20	
More developed regions	279 287	418 326	22	32	20	29	
Less developed regions ^b	530 455	1 613 011	9	20	11	17	
Least developed regions	46 389	181 568	5	11	8	10	
EUROPE	166 397	241 828	22	34	20	28	

Forrás: UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs

Population Division http://www.un.org/esa/population/publications/2012PopAgeingDev_Chart/2012AgeingWallchart.html

Worldwide in 1950-ben 12 working age persons were there for each 65 years or older person, in 2010 9.- By 2050 it will go down to 4.

http://www.prb.org/Publications/Datasheets/2010/2010wpds.aspx

FOREIGN
AND
FOREIGN
BORN
PERSONS IN
THE EU
2010

SOURCE: EUROSTAT STATISTICS IN FOCUS AUTHOR: KATYA VASILEVA 34/2011 P. 2

Third country
nationals:
20,2 million
EU nationals in
other EU MS:
12,3 million
Out of
501 million total

Table 1: Foreign and foreign-born population by group of citizenship and country of birth, 2010

		Foreigners							Foreign-born					
	Total population	Total		(other) E	Citizens of (other) EU Member States		Citizens of non- EU countries			Born in (other) EU Member States		Born in a non-EU country		
	(1000)	(1000)	(%)		(%)		(%)		(%)	(1000)	(%)		(%)	
EU-27 s	501 098.0	32 493.2	6.5	12 336.0	2.5	20 157.2	4.0	47 347.8	9.4	15 979.9	3.2	31 367.9	6.3	
Belgium p	10 839.9	1 052.8	9.7	715.1	6.6	337.7	3.1	:	:	:	:	:	:	
Bulgaria	7 563.7	:	:	:	:	:	:	:		:	:	:	:	
Czech Republic	10 506.8	424.4	4.0	137.0	1.3	287.4	2.7	398.5	3.8	126.4	1.2	272.1	2.6	
Denmark	5 534.7	329.8	6.0	115.5	2.1	214.3	3.9	500.8	9.0	152.2	2.8	348.6	6.3	
Germany	81 802.3	7 130.9	8.7	2 546.3	3.1	4 584.7	5.6	9 812.3	12.0	3 396.6	4.2	6 4 1 5.7	7.8	
Estonia	1 340.1	212.7	15.9	11.0	0.8	201.7	15.1	217.9	16.3	16.6	1.2	201.3	15.0	
Ireland	4 467.9	384.4	8.6	309.4	6.9	75.0	1.7	565.6	12.7	437.2	9.8	128.4	2.9	
Greece	11 305.1	954.8	8.4	163.1	1.4	791.7	7.0	1 256.0	11.1	315.7	2.8	940.3	8.3	
Spain	45 989.0	5 663.5	12.3	2 327.8	5.1	3 335.7	7.3	6 422.8	14.0	2 328.6	5.1	4 0 9 4 . 2	8.9	
France	64 716.3	3 769.0	5.8	1 317.6	2.0	2 451.4	3.8	7 196.5	11.1	2 118.1	3.3	5 0 7 8 . 4	7.8	
Italy	60 340.3	4 235.1	7.0	1 241.3	2.1	2 993.7	5.0	4 798.7	8.0	1 592.8	2.6	3 205.9	5.3	
Cyprus	803.1	127.3	15.9	83.5	10.4	43.8	5.5	150.7	18.8	42.2	5.3	108.5	13.5	
Latvia	2 248.4	392.2	17.4	9.7	0.4	382.4	17.0	343.3	15.3	36.9	1.6	306.4	13.6	
Lithuania	3 329.0	37.0	1.1	2.4	0.1	34.6	1.0	215.3	6.5	31.6	0.9	183.7	5.5	
Luxembourg	502.1	215.7	43.0	186.2	37.1	29.5	5.9	163.1	32.5	135.0	26.9	28.1	5.6	
Hungary	10 014.3	200.0	2.0	118.9	1.2	81.1	0.8	436.6	4.4	292.3	2.9	144.3	1.4	
Malta	413.0	16.7	4.0	5.4	1.3	11.3	2.7	26.6	6.4	10.8	2.6	15.7	3.8	
Netherlands	16 575.0	652.2	3.9	310.9	1.9	341.3	2.1	1 832.5	11.1	428.1	2.6	1 4 0 4 . 4	8.5	
Austria	8 367.7	876.4	10.5	328.3	3.9	548.0	6.5	1 276.0	15.2	512.0	6.1	764.0	9.1	
Poland	38 167.3	45.5	0.1	14.8	0.0	30.7	0.1	456.4	12	171.1	0.4	285.3	0.7	
Portugal	10 637.7	457.3	4.3	94.2	0.9	363.1	3.4	793.1	7.5	191.0	1.8	602.0	5.7	
Romania	21 462.2	• •	:	:	:	:	:	• •	:	:	:	:	:	
Slovenia	2 047.0	82.2	4.0	4.6	0.2	77.6	3.8	253.8	12.4	28.3	1.4	225.5	11.0	
Slovakia	5 424.9	62.9	1.2	38.7	0.7	24.2	0.4		:	:	:	:	:	
Finland	5 351.4	154.6	2.9	56.1	1.0	98.5	1.8	228.5	4.3	81.1	1.5	147.3	2.8	
Sweden	9 340.7	590.5	6.3	265.8	2.8	324.7	3.5	1 337.2	14.3	477.5	5.1	859.7	9.2	
United Kingdom p	62 008.0	4 367.6	7.0	1 922.5	3.1	2 445.1	3.9	7 012.4	11.3	2 245.0	3.6	4767.4	7.7	
Iceland	317.6	21.7	6.8	17.2	5.4	4.5	1.4	35.1	11.0	23.3	7.3	11.8	3.7	
Liechtenstein	35.9	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	
Norway	4 854.5	331.6	6.8	185.6	3.8	146.0	3.0	524.6	10.8	210.7	4.3	313.9	6.5	
Switzerland	7 785.8	1 714.0	22.0	1 073.7	13.8	640.3	8.2	:	:	:	:	:	:	
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Data not available; s Eurostat estimate; p Provisional value

EU AND **EEA** NET MIGRATION ASSUMPTIONS BY **E**UROSTAT

	2010	2015	2020	2025	2030
European Union (27 countries)	1 043 064	1 215 012	1 332 508	1 300 737	1 295 190
Belgium	61 252	53 719	46 189	44 420	42 641
Bulgaria	-9 934	-10 875	-14 618	-9 511	-3 290
Czech Republic	30 454	32 139	29 011	25 102	25 584
Denmark	12 257	11 619	11 388	11 408	11 971
Germany (including former GDR					
from 1991)	41 049	89 317	114 576	129 785	132 961
Estonia	-543	-600	-1 032	-644	-314
Ireland	-21 520	-389	22 498	21 625	20 764
Greece	26 171	32 573	37 051	36 425	35 779
Spain	79 081	170 633	267 445	257 156	253 960
France	71 890	83 871	92 741	89 115	86 967
Italy	360 685	352 375	344 070	334 836	338 651
Cyprus	2 227	4 085	5 958	5 731	5 501
Latvia	-3 390	-1 669	-507	261	423
Lithuania	-13 013	-8 833	-5 101	-2 828	-1 051
Luxembourg	6 327	5 011	3 705	3 553	3 416
Hungary	22 542	26 233	27 311	23 038	22 139
Malta	-1 171	-283	487	488	366
Netherlands	35 533	20 582	9 257	11 126	11 758
Austria	19 103	26 986	35 158	36 061	35 635
Poland	11 732	20 477	13 006	4 438	3 205
Portugal	18 514	27 695	36 829	37 605	37 239
Romania	-206	7 491	8 362	4 627	3 216
Slovenia	10 952	8 739	6 316	5 618	5 654
Slovakia	10 573	10 835	9 900	8 324	8 170
Finland	14 765	13 846	11 358	10 334	9 717
Sweden	59 875	44 015	28 160	27 073	25 992
United Kingdom	197 859	195 420	192 990	185 571	178 136
European Free Trade Association	104 276	80 305	56 435	54 804	53 714
Iceland	-4 076	-1 633	889	852	821
Liechtenstein	149	99	66	71	68
Norway	36 930	27 151	17 381	16 716	16 051
Switzerland	71 273	54 688	38 099	37 165	36 774

Forrás: Eurostat: Assumptions [proj_10c215 0a] extracted on 3 December 2012

THE GLOBAL APPROACH TO MIGRATION AND MOBILITY

COM(2011) 743 final, 18. November 2011

Short term and long term migration combined (visa regime included)

Four pillars:

- (1) organising and facilitating legal migration and mobility;
- (2) preventing and reducing irregular migration and trafficking in human beings;
- (3) promoting international protection and enhancing the external dimension of asylum policy;
- (4) maximising the development impact of migration and mobility.

THREE INTERIM CONCLUSIONS

- Europe needs more immigrants
- Irregular migration has to be tamed (but its main source is not clandestine entry)
- Europe ought to retain its readiness to offer protection to those who justifiably seek it.

"Good governance of migration and mobility of third countries nationals can create value on a daily basis for the development of millions of people, increase the EU's competitiveness and enrich European societies. This makes the Global Approach a core strategic interest of the EU and its Member States. With an increasingly global labour market for the highly skilled, there is already strong competition for talent."

Communication on Global Approach to Migration and Mobility, 2011, p. 5.

POLICIES ON BORDER CHECKS, ASYLUM AND IMMIGRATION

THIRD COUNTRY NATIONALS

TFEU, TITLE V AREA OF FREEDOM, SECURITY AND JUSTICE CHAPTER 2 POLICIES ON BORDER CHECKS, ASYLUM AND IMMIGRATION

Borders, entry, short stay

Article 77 TFEU (ex Article 62 TEC)

Policies

- "1. The Union shall develop a policy with a view to:
- (a) ensuring the absence of any controls on persons, whatever their nationality, when crossing internal borders;
- (b) carrying out checks on persons and efficient monitoring of the crossing of external borders;
- (c) the gradual introduction of an integrated management system for external borders."

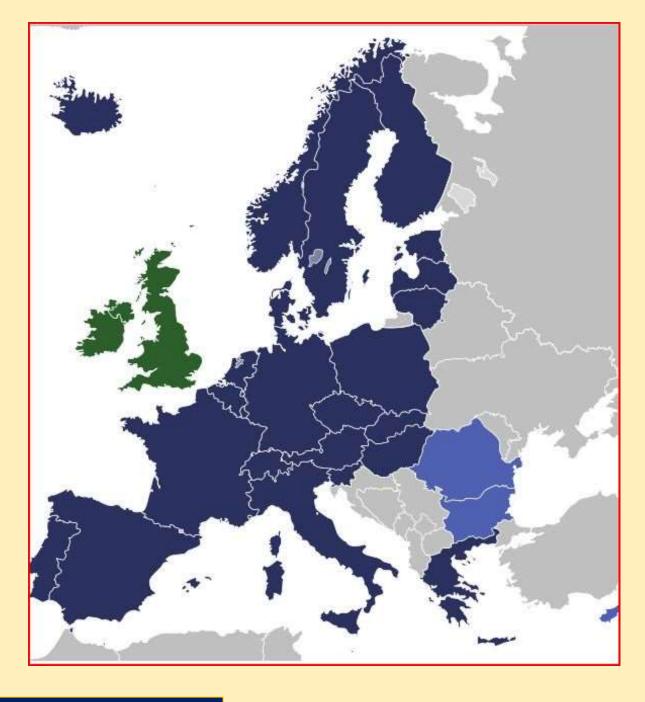
Measures

(to be adopted with ordinary legislative procedure)

- the common policy on visas and other short-stay residence permits;
- border checks on persons
- third country nationals' freedom to travel within the Union for a short period;
- gradual establishment of an integrated management system for external borders;
- the absence of any controls on persons, when crossing internal borders.

Expanding EU citizens' rights

3. The Council - after consulting the European Parliament - may unanimously adopt provisions concerning passports, identity cards, residence permits or any other such if the Treaties have not granted specific powers



SCHENGEN AFTER
SWITZERLAND'S
AND
LIECHTENSTEIN'S
ACCESSION

EXTERNAL BORDERS

(AND INTERNAL BORDERS)

EXTERNAL BORDERS

Fragmentation

UK, Ireland and Denmark do not participate in the work done under Title V of the TFEU. But Denmark is party to the Schengen acquis as it stood on 1 May 1999. Norway Iceland, Switzerland and Liechtenstein are virtual parties: they also guard the external borders. (Switzerland: airports)

Unequal pressure on different border sections (Greece, Italy, Spain – Sweden, e.g.)

Task: equal security for all participating states based on mutual confidence and an integrated border management ensuring a uniform and high level of control and surveillance along the land, sea and air borders.

EXTERNAL AND INTERNAL BORDER: BORDER MANAGEMENT, CONDITIONS OF CROSSING THE EXTERNAL BORDER, FLANKING MEASURES

External border control: surveillance and checks

Terrorism, human-smuggling: the weakest link determines the strength of the whole system.

Guarding the external border: still national task

Integrated management of the border

Increased practical cooperation and Frontex

"Schengen border code" – 562/2006/EC regulation, 15 March 2006

Schengen-evaluation – Comm. proposal for new regime

SISone4all - temporary solution

- SIS II in great delay

The external boders of the EU are crossedy yearly by more than

million persons

More than 11 million visas are issued per year

SCHENGEN BORDER CODE

REGULATION (EC) No 562/2006 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 15 March 2006

establishing a Community Code on the rules governing the movement of persons across borders (Schengen Borders Code)

Internal border: the common land borders, including river and lake borders, of the Member States+airports used for internal flights+ regular ferry ports

External border – what is not internal (land + airport + ferry port)

Personal scope: third country nationals not enjoying the Community right of free movement (but: not to refugees and asylum seekers!)

Application start: 13 Oct 2006.

Entry conditions (max 3 months): travel document + visa (except: if holding a valid residence permit)+sufficient means of subsistence+ no SIS alert+ not considered to be a threat to public policy, internal security, public health or the international relations of any of the Member States

Exceptions: if residence permit (for transit), border visa, humanitarian admission

SCHENGEN BORDER CODE

Border surveillance

Purposes:

prevent unauthorised border crossings, counter cross-border criminality take measures against persons who have crossed the border illegally (Return)

" surveillance shall be carried out in such a way as to prevent and discourage persons from circumventing the checks at border crossing points." (Art 12.)

Tool: " efficient, high and uniform level of control" by deploying "appropriate staff and resources in sufficient numbers", (Art 14.)

 No specific standard, but "EU Schengen catalogue of best practices" + Commission proposal for Schengen evaluation mechanism, Brussels, 16.11.2010 COM(2010) 624 final

FRONTEX

COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 2007/2004 of 26 October 2004 establishing a European Agency for the Management of Operational Cooperation at the External Borders of the Member States of the European Union, amended by REGULATION (EU) No 1168/2011 of 25 October 2011

Main tasks

- (a) coordinate operational cooperation between Member States in the management of external borders;
- (b) assist Member States on training of national border guards, including common training standards;
- (c) carry out risk analyses and asses the capacity of Member States to face threats and pressures;
- (d) participate in the development of research;
- (da) assist Member States in circumstances requiring increased technical and operational assistance at external borders

FRONTEX

- (e) assist Member States facing specific and disproportionate pressures
- (f) coordination or organisation of joint return operations;
- (g) deploy border guards from the European Border Guard Teams;
- (h) develop and operate information systems that enable swift and reliable exchanges of information regarding emerging risks at the external borders;
- (i) provide the necessary assistance to the development and operation of a European border surveillance system

European Border Guard Teams

After 2011 amendment replacing and unifying the Frontex Joint Support Teams and Rapid Border Intervention Teams (RABITS).

Objective:

providing rapid operational assistance for a limited period

to a requesting Member State facing urgent and exceptional pressure, especially...arrival of large number of third country nationals trying to enter...

Tool:

Participation in the check of those crossing the external border Land, air and water surveillance (patrolling)

Finance

community budget



First (Rabit)

deployment in

Greece, 2010

November

Picture 2: Irregular migrants in thermovision camera crossing the Greek-Turkish land border (Frontex JO Rabit 2010)

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

European Border Surveillance System (EUROSUR)

Objectives (on the southern and eastern borders)

Reduction of the number of illegal immigrants who manage to enter the EU undetected

Prevention of cross-border crime

Enhancing search and rescue capacity

Planned measures

PHASE 1: Upgrading and extending national border surveillance systems and interlinking national infrastructures in a communication network.

PHASE 2: Improve the performance of surveillance tools and sensors (e.g. satellites, unmanned aerial vehicles / UAVs, etc.), and developing a common application of surveillance tools. A common pre-frontier intelligence picture could be developed to combine intelligence information with that obtained from surveillance tools

PHASE 3: All relevant data from national surveillance, new surveillance tools, European and international reporting systems and intelligence sources should be gathered, analysed and disseminated in a structured manner, to create a common information sharing environment between the relevant national authorities.

Priority in the EU-s Internal Security Strategy of 2010

Proposal for a regulation: 12 December 2011 – COM 2011) 873 final

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

Commission suggests "smart borders" in its Communication of 25 October 2011 COM (2011) 680 final

- Facilitating border crossings for bona fide travellers;
 Registered Traveller Program (RTP)
- The creation of a system to register the entry/exit of third country nationals (entry/exit system – EES)
- "The Smart Borders initiative would improve the management and control of travel flows at the border by reinforcing checks while speeding up border crossings for regular travellers."

CROSSING OF INTERNAL BORDERS AND THE RESTORATION OF BORDER CHECKS (SCHENGEN BORDER CODE)

Internal borders

Crossing internal borders

Internal borders may be crossed at any point without a border check on persons, irrespective of their nationality, being carried out. (*Art. 20.*)

Restoration of checks

In case of a serious threat to public policy or internal security,

- a Member State may exceptionally reintroduce border controls at its internal borders for, in principle, a limited period of no more than thirty days.
- Other Member States, the Commission and the European Parliament should be informed and consultations conducted.
- "Where considerations of public policy or internal security in a Member State demand urgent action" border checks may be introduced immediately

Debate in 2011 after the Arabic Spring – proposal to re-regulate the rules on reintroduction of border controls COM (2011)560 – 16 September 2011

VISA

REGULAR MGRATION OF THIRD COUNTRY NATIONALS - VISA

What is the purpose of a visa?

Two possible lines of analysis:

Utilitarian: does it perform (achieve goal)?

Moral: does it stigmatise / collectively punish?

Factors determining whether a country is visa-free:

- » illegal immigration,
- » public policy
- » security,
- » regional coherence
- » reciprocity"

VISA

Short term – long term

Short: COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 539/2001 of 15 March 2001 listing the third countries whose nationals must be in possession of visas when crossing the external borders and those whose nationals are exempt from that requirement (amended four times)

Visa free: EU =27+EEA =3 + Switzerland+40 states+Macao and Hong Kong+British

Nationals (overseas)

Long: national competence

The reciprocity debate

Visa facilitation:

Russian Federation (1 June 2007)

Moldova ,Ukraine (entry into force: 1 January 2008)

Georgia (entry into force: 1 March 2011)

Abolition of visa

Saint Kitts and Nevis: 28 May 2009,

fYRoM, Montenegro, Serbia: with effect of 19 December 2009 (for biometric

passports and excluding Kosovo)

Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina: 25 November 2010 (for biometric passports)

Brazil: 1 October 2012

VISAS- VISA CODE

REGULATION (EC) No 810/2009

Scope: short stay (max. 3 months) and airport transit visas

- Clarifies which Member State is responsible for processing a visa
 application (sole destination longest stay/main purpose entry point)
- Defines the different phases for examination and decision taking
- Lists the documents a visa applicant needs to submit and the procedures for their verification
- Harmonizes the fees (Generally: 60 Euros)
- Sets time limit for the procedure: 15 calendar days.
- Obliges MS to give reasons and allow appeal against negative decision

VISA - VIS

REGULATION (EC) No 767/2008 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 9 July 2008 concerning the Visa Information System (VIS) and the exchange of data between Member States on short-stay visas (VIS Regulation)

(Implementing Council Decision 2004/512/EC of 8 June 2004 establishing the Visa Information System (VIS))

Objectives

- the fight against fraud;
- facilitate checks at external border crossing points and within the territory of the Member States;
- help identify persons not entitled to enter or stay
- to assist the Dublin mechanism on identifying the responsible state for refugee status determination;
- to contribute to the prevention of threats to the internal security of any of the
 Member States

Gradual entry into operation

1 st region (Algeria, Egypt, Libya, Mauritania, Morocco and Tunisia) Start 11 October 2011

2nd region (Israel, Jordan, Lebanon and Syria) 10 May 2012

3rd region: (Afghanistan, Bahrain, Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates and Yemen), Start: 2 October 2012

REGULAR MIGRATION

TFEU, TITLE V AREA OF FREEDOM, SECURITY AND JUSTICE CHAPTER 2 POLICIES ON BORDER CHECKS, ASYLUM AND IMMIGRATION

Article 79 TFU (ex Article 63, points 3 and 4, TEC)

Policies

- •develop a common immigration policy aimed the efficient management of migration flows,
- fair treatment of third-country nationals residing legally in Member States,
- •and the prevention of, and enhanced measures to combat, illegal immigration and trafficking in human beings.

Measures

- •the conditions of entry and residence, and standards on the issue by Member States of long-term visas and residence permits, including those for the purpose of family reunification;
- the definition of the rights of third-country nationals residing legally in a Member State, including the conditions governing freedom of movement and of residence in other Member States;
- illegal immigration and unauthorised residence, including removal and repatriation of persons residing without authorisation;
- •combating trafficking in persons, in particular women and children.

Safeguard

"This Article shall not affect the right of Member States to determine volumes of admission of third-country nationals coming from third countries to their territory in order to seek work, whether employed or self-employed"

REGULAR MIGRATION

Immigration: still national competence (no general EC legislation on long term migration)

Partial rules:

- Family unification (Council Directive 2003/86/EC of 22 September 2003)
- Long term residents (Council Directive 2003/109/EC of 25 November 2003)
- Students (Council Directive 2004/114/EC of 13 December 2004)
- Researchers (Council Directive 2005/71/EC of 12 October 2005)
- Highly skilled (Council directive 2009/50/EC of 25 May 2009)
- Single application procedure for a single permit for third-country nationals to reside and work (Directive 2011/98/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 December 2011) To be transposed by 25 December 2013

THE SO CALLED BLUE CARD DIRECTIVE

Council directive 2009/50/EC (25 May 2009) on facilitating conditions of entry and residence in the EU of third-country citizens for the purpose of highly qualified employment

Blue card = special residence and work permit

Eligibility:

- 1 year long contract or binding job offer with a salary exceeding the 150 % of the yearly gross average wage
- degree from a higher education institution, meeting the professional requirements of the receiving state
- -sickness insurance for risks normally covered for the nationals of the state
- available quota (if determined by the MS)

Benefits (rights):

Valid for 1-4 years, guarantees entry and residence

First two years: work with the original employer thereafter: freedom to move to other MS

Deadline for transposition: 19 June 2011.

REGULAR MIGRATION

Rules in the making

Commission's proposals:

Directive on seasonal workers COM (2010) 379 final, 13 July 2010.

(Max . 6 months in a year)

Directive on conditions of entry and residence of third-country nationals in the framework of an intra-corporate transfer COM(2010) 378 final 13 July 2010

(Managers, specialists, trainees, who have worked with the company for a year before transfer)

ILLEGAL MIGRATION

(UNDOCUMENTED PERSONS)

ILLEGAL MIGRATION

Order of magnitude

"The scale of the phenomenon is necessarily hard to quantify: estimates of the number of third-country nationals illegally staying in the EU vary between 4,5 to 8 million" (Commission proposal for a directive on sanctioning employers, COM(2007) 249 final)

Between the 1980s and 2007 at least 3,7 million persons have been regularized in France, Greece the Netherlands, Italy, Portugal and Spain.

"Frontex's Annual Risk Analysis 2011: … the sharp decrease reported in 2009 (of around a third on 2008) stabilised in 2010; Member States and Schengen Associated Countries reported a total of 104,049 detections of illegal border crossing at the sea and land external borders, a total almost identical to the 2009 figure of 104,599. "

http://www.frontex.europa.eu/situation_at_the_external_border/art23.html visited 23 January 2012

Detections of illegal stay within Member States decreased from 412 125 in 2009 to 348 666 in 2010 (-15%), but there were large differences between particular countries.

Frontex, Annual Risk Analysis, 2011, p. 13

ILLEGAL ENTRY, STAY + FACILITATORS - FRONTEX DATA (EXCLUDING UK, IRELAND)

		2011			2012	2012 Q2			
FRAN indicator		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	% change on	
								prev. year	prev. qtr
1A	Illegal entries between BCPs	32 923	41 273	38 530	28 325	13 635	23 092	-44	69
18	Clandestine entries at BCPs	74	60	64	84	103	126	110	22
2	Facilitators	1 856	1 941	1 546	1 614	2 107	1 785	-8.0	-15
3	Illegal stay	82 327	86 750	88 037	93 834	88 455	84 076	-3.1	-5.0
4	Refusals of entry	28 699	30 076	30 325	29 011	24 635	28 244	-6.1	15
5	Applications for asylum	53 193	61 574	67 413	71 874	56 854	57 989	-5.8	2.0
7A	Return decisions issued	50 970	55 716	57 389	67 310	69 904	67 891	22	-2.9
7B	Effective returns	34 745	35 076	37 639	41 585	40 229	40 299	15	0.2

Source: FRAN data as of 6 August 2012

COUNCIL'S SUGGESTION OF 2010

Council conclusions on 29 measures for reinforcing the protection of the external borders and combating illegal immigration JUSTICE and HOME AFFAIRS Council meeting Brussels, 25 and 26 February 2010

Frontex

Reinforce it and its activities
9 goals

Eurosur

Develop it and enhance cooperation woth third countrties and among MS
5 goals

Fight against illegal immigration networks and trafficking in human beings

2 goals

Solidarity and the integrated management of external borders

5 goals

Cooperation with third countries

7 goals

For a review of measures see: COMMISSION STAFF WORKING DOCUMENT on the fulfilment of the 29 measures for reinforcing the protection of the external borders and combating illegal immigration adopted at the Justice and Home Affairs Council meeting, held on Brussels on 25 and 26 February 2010. Brussels, 26.11.2010 SEC(2010) 1480 final

EU ACTION ON MIGRATORY PRESSURES – A STRATEGIC RESPONSE APPROVED BY THE JHA COUNCIL ON 26-27 APRIL 2012



THE RETURN DIRECTIVE

DIRECTIVE 2008/115/EC OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL

of 16 December 2008 on common standards and procedures in Member States for returning illegally staying third-country nationals

Personal scope

Obligatory: third-country nationals staying illegally on the territory of a Member State

Optional:

- those refused at the border or intercepted on land, sea or air
- subject to return as a criminal law sanction

Limits: MS must respect rights of persons entitled to free movement under community law and the principle of *non-refoulement*

+ "due account of" best interest of the child, family life, state of health of the person

Member States may retain more favourable provisions

RETURN DIRECTIVE, 2008

Member states must issue the return decision to any illegal stayer (exceptions exist, like right to reside in other MS or humanitarian reasons)

Preferred return: voluntary return within 7-30 days

Exceptions:

risk of absconding, manifestly unfounded or fraudulent application for stay permit

or if the person concerned poses a risk to public policy, public security or national security,

States must take all necessary measures to enforce the return decision if the third country national does not depart voluntarily or if the exception to voluntary departure is applicable

Compulsory entry ban (max five years) if no voluntary return within time

Proportionate coercive measure against resisting persons

Detention: max 18 months (if danger of absconding or hampering preparation of return or process of removal)

Strong critique (ECRE, UNHCR, NGO-s)

EMPLOYERS' SANCTION

Directive 2009/52/EC of 18 June 2009

providing for minimum standards on sanctions and measures against employers of illegally staying third-country nationals

"illegally staying third-country national" = who does not fulfil, or no longer fulfils, the conditions for stay or residence in that Member State

Obligations of the employer:

- see the valid residence permit of the tcn;
- keep a copy or record of it
- notify the competent authority of start of employment

If done, can not be sanctioned

Effective, proportionate and dissuasive sanctions must be imposed on the employer:

Financial sanctions which shall increase in amount according to the number of illegally employed

Payments of the costs of return of illegally employed third-country nationals

Paying the difference between the remuneration of the illegally employed and the legally employed to the illegally employed

An amount equal to any taxes and social security contributions that the employer would have paid

EMPLOYERS' SANCTIONS

For a maximum

of 5 years

Further sanctions

- Exclusion from public aid or subsidy
- Exclusion from participation in
- a public contract
- Recovery of recent (max 12 months) public benefits, aid, or subsidies
- Temporary or permanent closure of the establishments that have been used to commit the infringement
- Temporary or permanent withdrawal of a licence to conduct the business activity in question

Criminal sanctions in "severe" cases

- The infringement continues or is persistently repeated;
- Simultaneous employment of a significant number of illegally staying third-country nationals;
- The infringement is accompanied by particularly exploitative working conditions;
- The employed person is victim of trafficking
- The employed is a minor
- Transposition date: 20 July 2011.

ASYLUM

(PERSONS IN NEED OF INTERNATIONAL PROTECTION)

THE COMMON EUROPEAN ASYLUM SYSTEM (CEAS)

Goal: Common European Asylum system

First phase: harmonized rules (minimum standards)

Second phase: uniform procedure and uniform status

(Majority decision-making only after first phase complete – from 2005 December)

ASYLUM ISSUES

Adopted measures

- 1. Regulation on Eurodac (2000)
- 2. Directive on **temporary protection** (2001)
- 3. Reception conditions directive (2003)
- 4. **Dublin II** Regulation and its implementing rules (2003)
- 5. Qualification (Refugee definition) directive (2004)
- 6. **Asylum procedures** directive (2005)
- 7. Decision on the (third) European Refugee Fund (2007)
- 8. Establishment of an European Asylum Support Office. (2010)

OVERVIEW OF THE RECASTS

Secondary rule	Is there a recast?	State of play
European refugee Fund 2007/573/EK határozat	None	To be replaced by a new Fund on Migration and Return
Temporary Protection Directive Council Directive 2001/55/EC	None	
Eurodac Council Regulation 2725/2000/EC	Yes	Text negotiated but impasse
Dublin II regulation Council Regulation 343/2003 EC	Yes	November 2012 political agreement see doc. 16332/12
Reception Conditions Directive Council Directive 2003/9/EC	Yes	September 2012. political agreement see doc. 14112/1/12 REV 1
Qualification directive Council Directive 2004/83/EK irányelv	Yes	Published as directive 2011/95/EU 20 December 2011
Procedures directive Council Directive 2005/85/EC	Yes	January 2013 still negotiating the second proposal

EUROPEAN ASYLUM SUPPORT OFFICE

EASO

Commission's proposal: (COM (2009) 66 final)

Regulation: 439/2010/EU establishing a European Asylum Support Office, OJ L 132/11, 29.5.2010

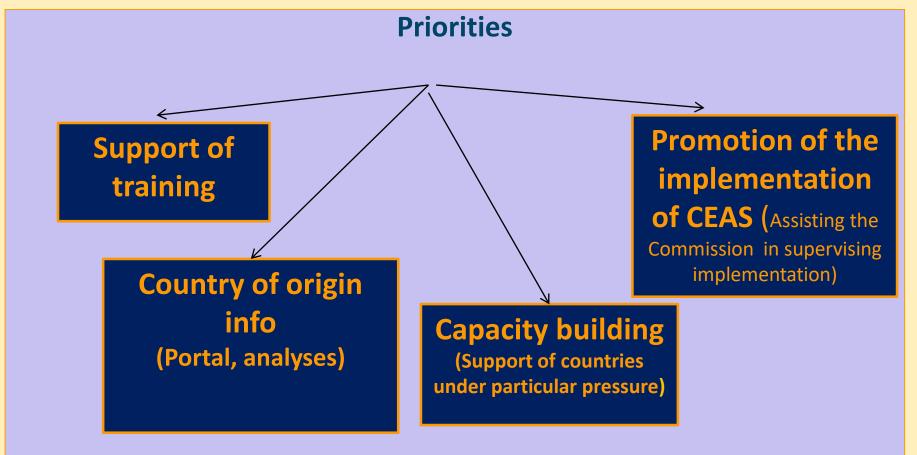
Purposes

Coordinate and strengthen practical cooperation among Member States and improve the implementation of the CEAS;

Operative support to MS subject to particular pressure on their asylum and reception systems

Scientific and technical assistance in regard to the policy and legislation of the Union

EASO



First meeting of the Management Board : Malta, 25-26 November 2010

Start of operation: 19 June 2011.

For developments check: http://easomonitor.blogspot.com/

PROGRESS OR SLOW MOTION

In asylum and (regular) migration rather slow motion

The EU is fragmented in an increasing fashion – the move to qualified majority decision making has not increased efficiency

In the field of regular migration member Sates are unwilling to give up their national preferences and specialities

Dividing lines::

States at the external borders exposed to disproportionate pressure - more protected central (and Western) states

Liberal, human rights based approach – pragmatist realists

Changing geometry (Great Britain, Ireland, Denmark, Iceland, Norway, Switzerland, Liechtenstein) hard to identify the actual obligations of MSs

Illegal migration

Fight against illegal migration – fitting well with the securitisation spirit - Human rights constraints!

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

- 1. Is the European culture so valuable and in need of protection?
 - Think of the religious wars, colonisation, fascism, communism, civil wars, ethnic clashes.
 - Or do we want to defend achievements of the last 68 years?
- 2. Why is migration seen as a problem?
 - isn't it part and parcel of human history?
 - was Europe not the region with the largest number of poor emigrants seeking betterment of their life in other continents?
 - Is the European Union not based on the desirability of migration (freedom of movement)?
- 3. Is exclusion of asylum seekers compatible with «our ethics »?
- 4. Is the imposition of visa a collective stigma?
- 5. Should the Union have a common (integrated) border guard replacing national units?

THANKS!

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