Action Plan Integration and Inclusion 2021-2027
Asylum Migration and Integration Fund (AMIF 2021-2027)

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Unit C2 - Legal pathways and integration
Integration as EU level

- Focus: Integration of third-country nationals
- Art 79(4) TFEU: "... may establish measures to provide incentives and support for the action of Member States with a view to promoting the integration of third-country nationals residing legally in their territories, excluding any harmonization of the laws and regulations of the Member States"
- "Integration is a dynamic, two-way process of mutual accommodation by all immigrants and residents of Member States."
The new action plan on integration and inclusion 2021-2027
Sectoral and Horizontal priorities

4 Sectoral priorities
• Education
• Employment
• Health
• Housing

5 Horizontal priorities
• Building strong partnerships
• Increased EU funding for integration
• Fostering participation
• Enhance use of digital tools for integration/inclusion
• Monitoring progress
Building strong partnerships

- Local and regional authorities (Committee of the Regions, Urban academy)
- Social and economic partners (European Partnership on integration)
- National authorities (European Integration Network)
- Host communities (capacity building, volunteering, mentoring)
- Civil society
Increased Funding for Integration

- Involve local and regional authorities, civil society organisations and social and economic partners in preparing, revising, implementing and monitoring programmes for the 2021-2027 EU funds (AMIF, ESF+ and ERDF)
- Increase private stakeholders’ participation
- Ensure a coordinated approach at national, regional and local level in the programming and implementation of EU funds
- Make full use of EU funds to promote integration
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Total EUR 9 882 000 000

- EUR 6 270 000 000 → programmes implemented by MSs under shared management (63.5%);

- EUR 3 612 000 000 → thematic facility (36.5%) – flexible programming & budget implementation modes to address evolving needs.
Objectives and minimum allocations

SO1 – Strengthen & develop all aspects of the Common European Asylum System (min. 15% of MS programmes);

SO2 - Strengthen & develop legal migration to MSs, promote integration and social inclusion of third country national (min. 15% of MS programmes);

SO3 - Counter irregular migration & enhancing effective, safe & dignified return and readmission (incl. reintegration in TCs);

SO4 - Enhance solidarity and fair sharing of responsibility between MSs (min. 20% of the thematic facility).
Scope of the Support – Annex III (SO2)

- Integration strategies
- Support to local and regional authorities with integration
- Training of staff
- Training of TCNs (language learning, orientation courses)
- Services for TCNs (information sessions, assistance with family reunification and legal status, one-stop integration shops etc.).
Complementarity of EU Funding

Integration Measures (Recital 15)

“The Fund should support measures tailored to the needs of third-country nationals that are generally implemented in the early stages of integration, and horizontal actions supporting Member States’ capacities in the field of integration, whereas interventions for third-country nationals with a longer-term impact should be financed under the ERDF and ESF+.”
Thank you