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**REFUGEES IN EUROPE – EUROPEAN
REFUGEE POLICIES:
State of Play: Measures to Address the
Refugee Crisis**

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President Juncker: 10 priorities

- "I propose to renew the European Union on the basis of an Agenda for Jobs, Growth, Fairness and Democratic Change. An agenda that concentrates on the areas where the European Union is able to make a real difference.
- My agenda will focus on ten policy areas. My emphasis will be on concrete results in these ten areas. Beyond that, I will leave other policy areas to the Member States where they are more legitimate and better equipped to give effective policy responses at national, regional or local level, in line with the principles of subsidiarity and proportionality. I want a European Union that is bigger and more ambitious on big things, and smaller and more modest on small things. "

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Overview

- **Background information**
- **State of Play: Measures to Address the Refugee Crisis**

10 Priorities

1. A New Boost for **Jobs, Growth and Investment**
2. A Connected **Digital** Single Market
3. A Resilient **Energy** Union with a Forward-Looking Climate Change Policy
4. A Deeper and Fairer **Internal Market** with a Strengthened Industrial Base
5. A Deeper and Fairer **Economic and Monetary Union**
6. A Reasonable and Balanced **Free Trade Agreement** with the U.S.
7. An Area of **Justice and Fundamental Rights** Based on Mutual Trust
8. Towards a **New Policy on Migration**
9. A Stronger **Global** Actor
10. A Union of **Democratic Change**

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Priority 8: Towards a New Policy on Migration

- We must work closely together in a spirit of solidarity
- On the basis of our shared values, we need to protect those in need through a strong common asylum policy.
 - The newly agreed common asylum system has to be fully implemented, and divergences in national implementation removed
 - Explore the possibility of using the European Asylum Support Office to assist third countries and Member States authorities in dealing with refugees and asylum requests in emergency situations
 - Promote a new European policy on legal migration
 - We need to deal more robustly with irregular migration, notably through better cooperation with third countries, including on readmission
 - we need to secure Europe's borders
 - We also need to apply and vigorously enforce our new common European rules to penalise human traffickers.

New working method within the European Commission

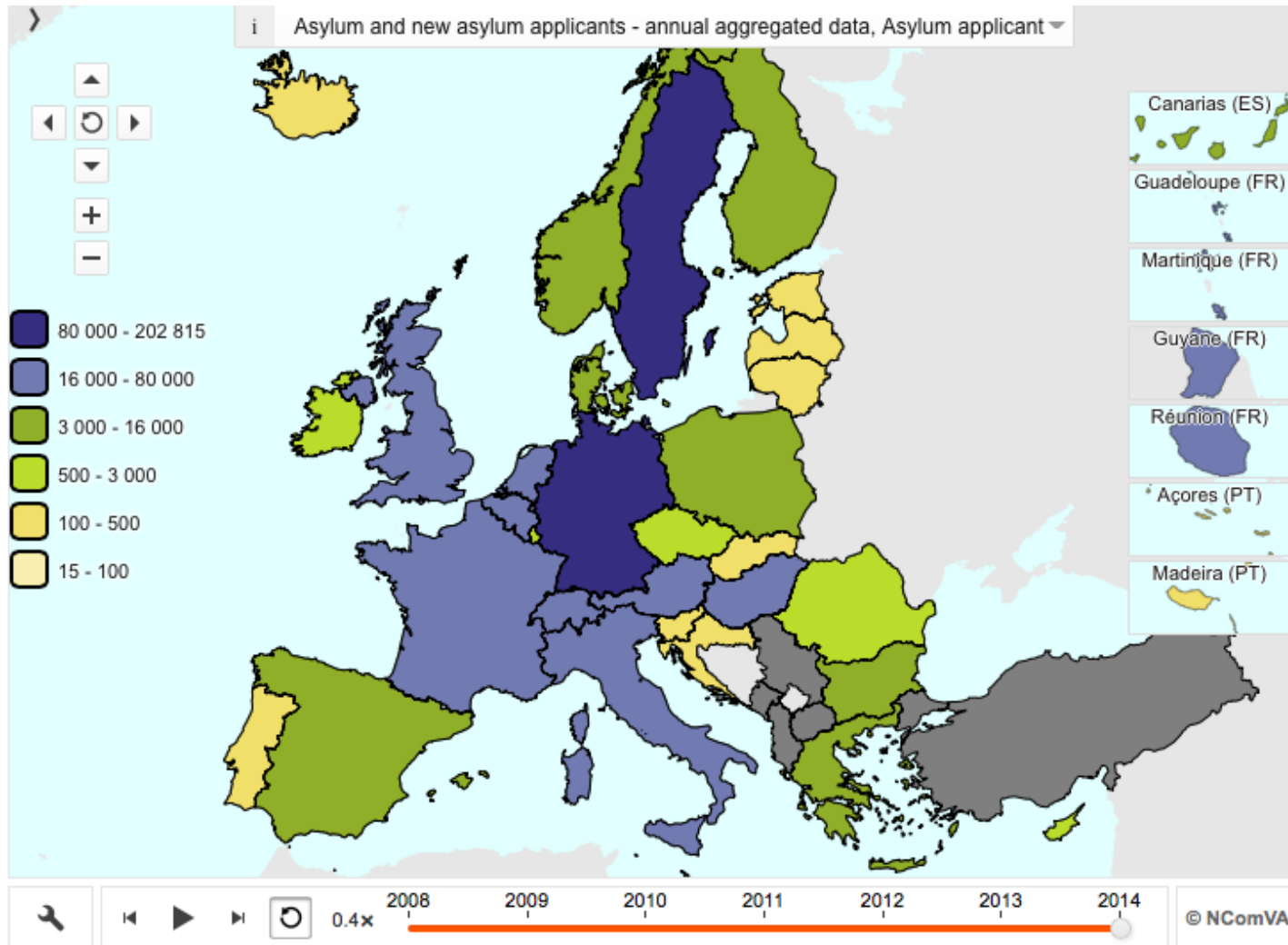
Coordination

- **First Vice-President, in charge of Better Regulation, Interinstitutional Relations, the Rule of Law and the Charter of Fundamental Rights Timmermans** for initiatives requiring a decision by the Commission in their area of responsibility, you will guide the work of the Commissioner for Justice, Consumers and Gender Equality and the Commissioner for Migration Home Affairs and Citizenship
- **High Representative for Europe's Foreign Affairs and Security Policy Mogherini** acts in concert with our European Commissioners for Trade, Development and Humanitarian Aid as well as for Neighbourhood Policy
- **Commissioner for Migration, Home Affairs and Citizenship Avramopoulos**



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Challenges



What does the European Commission?

- Agenda für Migration May 2015 - 4 pillars:
 - Reducing the incentives for irregular migration
 - Saving lives and securing external borders
 - A strong common asylum policy
 - A new policy on legal migration
- Guardian of the Treaties
 - Follow up complaints
 - EU Pilot Procedures
 - Infringement procedures

Priority actions

- **Financial pledges**
- **Migration Management Support Teams** working in 'hotspot' areas
- **The Rapid Border Intervention Teams** mechanism
- **Financial Support to Member States** under the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund and the Internal Security Fund
- Member State and Commission **contributions to the World Food Programme**
- **EU Regional Trust Fund** in response to the **Syrian** crisis ("Madad Fund") and 'Emergency Trust Fund for stability and addressing root causes of irregular migration and displaced persons in **Africa**'.
- **Implementing the Common European Asylum System**

Financial Pledges

Member States' financial pledges since 23 September 2015, € million

(Communicated as of 30 October 2015)

Member States	Africa Trust Fund	Syria Trust Fund ¹	Humanitarian aid pledged since 23 September 2015 ²			Total
			World Food Program me	UNHCR	Other	
Total Pledged	47.45	32.4	440.41			520.26
Contribution from the EU budget	1800	500	500			2800
Total required	3600	1000	1000			5600
Shortfall	1752.55	467.6	59.59			2279,74

Relocation Schemes

Member States' Support to Emergency Relocation Mechanism

(Communicated as of 29 October 2015)

Member States	National Contact Points Appointed	Liaison Officers Appointed		Reply to EASO call - Experts	Reply to Frontex call - Border guards	Relocation			
		Italy	Greece			Places Made Available	Relocated from Italy	Relocated from Greece	Remaining Places from the 160,000
TOTAL	All concerned EU Member States have now notified	11	8	162 experts (of 374 requested)	353 border guards (of 743 requested)	14 Member States 3546 places (of 160,000)	105 (out of 39,600)	30 (out of 66,400)	98120 (of initial 98,256)¹

Hotspot Approach -Italy

State of Play of Hotspot capacity

HOTSPOTS IN ITALY						
	LAMPEDUSA	POZZALLO	PORTE EMPEDOCLE	AUGUSTA	TARANTO	TRAPANI
Total Reception Capacity	500	300	300	300	300	400
EU Presence	Frontex: 15 Officers (Debriefing, screening and fingerprinting teams)	Frontex: 9 Officers (Debriefing and screening teams)	0	Frontex: 11 Officers (Debriefing and screening teams)	0	Frontex: 8 Officers (Debriefing and screening teams)
	EASO: 2 Member State Experts	0	0	0	0	0

Hot Spot Approach- Greece

HOTSPOTS IN GREECE

	LESVOS	CHIOS	SAMOS	LEROS	KOS
Total Reception Capacity	700 (Moria) 780 (Kara Tepe)	110	250	0	0
EU Presence	Frontex: 54 Officers (Debriefing, screening, fingerprinters and registration teams. Border Surveillance Officers, Advance Level Document Officer)	Frontex: 15 Officers (Debriefing, screening and Advance Level document expert teams. Border Surveillance Officer)	Frontex: 11 Officers (Screening and debriefing teams. Border Surveillance Officer and Advance Level Document Officer)	Frontex: 9 Officers (Screening and debriefing teams. Border Surveillance Officer and Advance Level Document Officer)	Frontex: 12 Officers (Screening and debriefing teams. Border Surveillance Officer and Advance Level Document Officer)
	EASO: 6 Member State experts & 2 EASO staff	0	0	0	0

Support for Countries Triggering the EU Civil Protection Mechanism

Member States' Support to Civil Protection Mechanism for Serbia, Slovenia and Croatia

(Communicated as of 6 November 2015)

	CROATIA (26 October)			SERBIA (21 September)			SLOVENIA (22 October)		
OFFERS									
FULL LIST OF NEEDS									
Requested item	Requested by Croatia	Offers to Croatia	Still needed by Croatia	Requested by Serbia	Offers to Serbia	Still needed by Serbia	Requested by Slovenia	Offers to Slovenia	Still needed by Slovenia
ambulances			0	5		5			0
bed linen			0	2,000	2,000	0	10,000	3,275	6,725
beds (bunk beds)	500		500	3,000		3,000			0
beds (foldable)	1,000	230	770	4,500	3,500	1,000	5,000	1,495	3,505
blankets			0	12,000	12,000	0	30,000	19,000	11,000
blankets (disposable foil)	15,000	2,500	12,500			0			0

External dimension

- EU diplomacy in support of UN led processes
- EU Action Plan against Migrant Smuggling
- Summit with African partners in Valletta
- Readmission agreements
- Turkey and the Western Balkans

Agencies

- EASO
- FRONTEX
- EUROPOL
- Frau
- EUROJUST

Useful links:

European Commission: Daily updated web pages:

- [IP/15/6134](#): State of Play: Measures to Address the Refugee Crisis Permanent link
- [IP/16/65](#): Refugee crisis: Commission reviews 2015 actions and sets 2016 priorities (13/1/2016)
- Border controls: http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/home-affairs/what-we-do/policies/borders-and-visas/schengen/reintroduction-border-control/index_en.htm

EUROSTAT: Monthly updated statistics on asylum and migration:

<http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/web/asylum-and-managed-migration>

DG HOME: Press material on the EU Migration Agenda: http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/home-affairs/what-we-do/policies/european-agenda-migration/press-material/index_en.htm

See also:

- **DG NEAR**
- **DG ECHO**
- **EEAS**



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