

1.4.3. Operational training in Italy



EASO's support to and cooperation with the Italian authorities continued in 2020 through the signing of a new operating plan in December 2019, which was intended to continuously address the consequences of the disproportionate pressure on the Italian asylum and reception systems and support the system to better prepare for potential future pressure situations.

The focus of the support provided to the national asylum and reception authorities was as follows:

- support to improve the quality and standardisation of asylum procedures (including national, Dublin and ad hoc procedures),
- support for quality management and monitoring of the Italian reception system,
- support to reduce the backlog of asylum cases in the specialised sections of tribunals,
- support to enhance coordination mechanisms among Italian asylum authorities, and
- support to improve the efficiency and standardisation of procedures and data collection through the development and management of information systems.

In 2020, EASO increased its support for the reduction of the backlog of asylum cases in the specialised sections of tribunals. New EASO interim staff were hired and, further to this, in September 2020, EASO support was extended to the Supreme Court of Cassation and its General Prosecutor's Office. The TPDC developed and implemented a specific training pathway for research officers. EASO also continued a fruitful cooperation with the Italian judges of the EASO Judicial Network who were assigned to the specialised sections of tribunals and, for the first time, with magistrates of the Supreme Court of Cassation.

Furthermore, in 2020, EASO also continued to support the Department of Public Security (DPS), with the aim of creating a pool of national trainers and, eventually, enhancing the training capacity of the DPS and ensuring sustainability in the area of national training. This support will continue into 2021 with the conclusion of the training pathway developed for DPS officials and the delivery of national rollouts.

298 participations

144 individuals

Under the operating plan with Italy, there were 298 participations in 2020. The largest target groups were EASO research officers and case workers, followed by national first-contact officials, national asylum administration officials and EASO interim registration officers.

Participations per target group under the operating plan for Italy in 2020

