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## I. The year in brief

In 2024, EU+ countries <sup>(1)</sup> received **over 1 million applications for international protection** <sup>(2)</sup>, marking an 11 % decrease compared with 2023. Yet, this was the second-highest number since 2016, when close to 1.2 million asylum applications were lodged in the EU+ <sup>(3)</sup>.

At the end of the reporting year, almost **981 000 cases were awaiting a decision** at first instance, corresponding to an 11 % increase compared with the same period last year <sup>(4)</sup>.

The number of **decisions granting temporary protection** to persons fleeing Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine decreased by a quarter, compared with 2023. Still their number remained significant, with 746 000 decisions issued by EU+ countries in 2024.

Against a backdrop of sustained pressure on national asylum systems, **the EUAA deployed a record number of personnel** across 13 Member States, corresponding to 1 077 full time equivalents.

The Agency operated in key asylum areas such as reception, relocation, temporary protection, assistance to unaccompanied minors, capacity building and procedural quality. Support to the asylum procedure intensified: compared with 2023, the number of registrations and interviews increased by 21 % and 45 %, respectively.

**Figure 1.** EUAA operations in 2024



<sup>(1)</sup> In this case, EU Member States plus Norway and Switzerland.

<sup>(2)</sup> All numbers larger than 100 are rounded. Numbers between 101 and 1 000 are rounded to the nearest 10. Numbers between 1 001 and 10 000 are rounded to the nearest hundred. Numbers larger than 10 001 are rounded to the nearest thousand. Halfway numbers are rounded up.

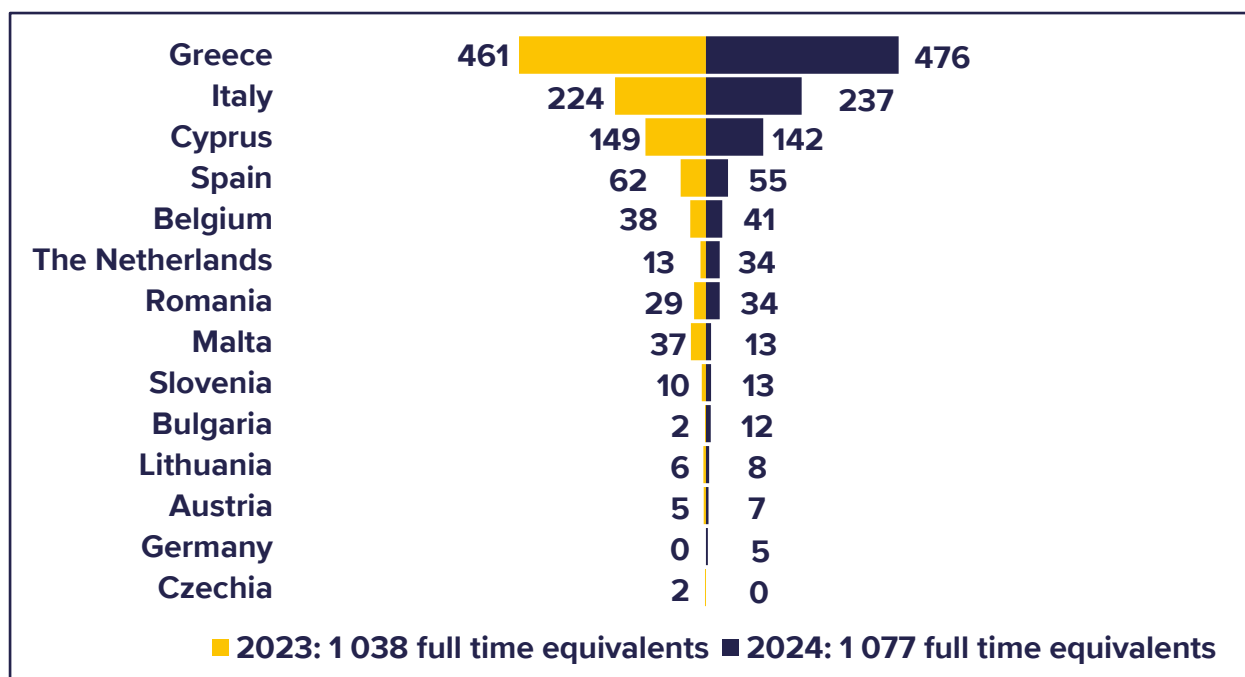
<sup>(3)</sup> The figures concerning applications for international protection are based on data collected by the EUAA under the early warning and preparedness system. See [EUAA annual analysis on asylum trends](#).

<sup>(4)</sup> Data on pending cases were not available for Czechia (March to September 2023 and December 2024) and Slovakia (since December 2024).



Following a request from the German authorities, in June 2024 the EUAA started a **new operational plan with Germany**, aimed at increasing national capacity to process Dublin cases. The **Agency maintained or reinforced its presence in most countries** <sup>(5)</sup>, with the significant exception of **Malta**, where operations were largely phased out by the end of June, in line with the low number of asylum applications received (438 by the end of the year). Operational support to **Austria** and **Slovenia** came to an end in June, whereas support to **Lithuania** ended in December.

**Figure 2.** EUAA deployed personnel in 2023 and 2024



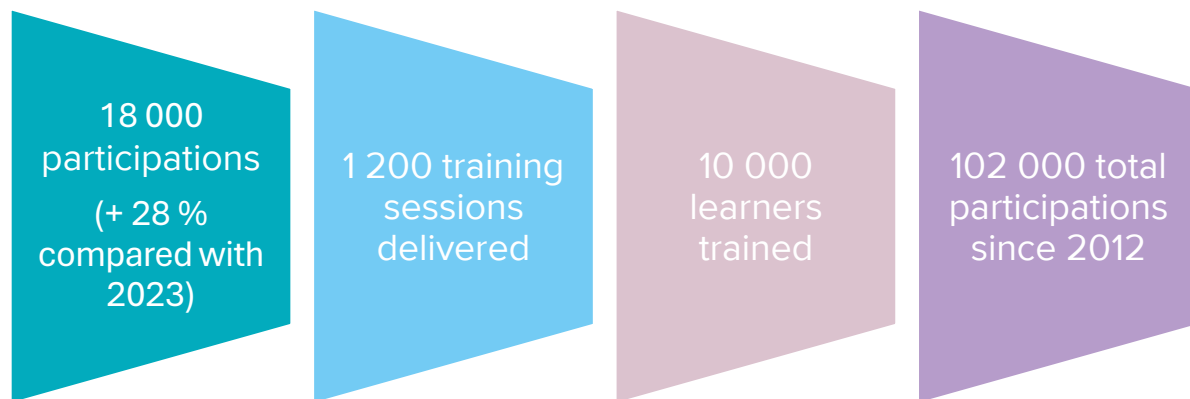
In 2024, the **EUAA Resettlement Support Facility** located in Istanbul, Türkiye, provided support services for 34 Member State resettlement missions. In total the facility assisted 4 100 persons in the context of resettlement and humanitarian admission, with about 3 900 physically attending an activity on the premises. This was the highest number since the establishment of the Resettlement Support Facility, in 2019.

In December 2024, the EUAA received **official recognition as a further and higher education provider** from the Maltese authorities. The accreditation is a major milestone in supporting Member States to achieve a professional, effective and unified approach to asylum and reception management across Europe. As a formal qualifications provider, the Agency will be able to grant credits that are valid under the **European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System**.

Since 2012, the EUAA's training activities have recorded **more than 100 000 participations**. The EUAA annual training report, available on the Agency's website, provides details and analyses on the use and impact of the Agency's training in 2024.

<sup>(5)</sup> Belgium, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Greece, Italy, Romania, Spain and The Netherlands.



**Figure 3. EUAA training in 2024**

In March 2024 the EUAA established, in close cooperation with the Commission, a [common methodology](#) for monitoring the operational and technical application of the Common European Asylum System (CEAS). A [multiannual monitoring programme](#) was also adopted, establishing the order in which Member States will take part in the first five-year monitoring cycle, between 2025 and 2030.

The Agency successfully responded to increased Member States' needs with regard to **country of origin information and guidance, situational awareness and practical guidance and tools** in areas such as the asylum procedure, reception, vulnerability and judicial cooperation, which were affected by significant legislative changes.

The entry into force, on 11 June 2024, of ten legislative acts forming part of the [Pact on Migration and Asylum](#) (the Pact), introduced substantial reforms to the CEAS and provided for an enhanced role of the EUAA in several areas. In view of that, the Agency launched a dedicated programme to coordinate the review of its operational standards, indicators, guidelines and training, ensuring their compliance with the new legislation and developing new products, where needed.

By the end of the reporting year, the EUAA had finalised **11 Pact-related products**:

- contingency planning template and manual;
- four tailor-made training modules on the Pact;
- training on monitoring and evaluation in resettlement and humanitarian admission programmes;
- [practical guide on applicants with diverse sexual orientations, gender identities, gender expressions and sex characteristics](#);
- practical guide on mental health of applicants for international protection ([part I](#), [part II](#) and [part III](#));
- [guidelines on alternatives to detention](#);
- working arrangement between the EUAA and the Commission for the situational awareness, early warning and forecasting project.

Moreover, the Agency supported the Commission in the development of [the common implementation plan for the Pact](#) and was closely involved in the coordination with Member States for the preparation of their national implementation plans.



## II. Budgetary and financial information

The EU subsidy in the EUAA's 2024 budget, as per amendment 1 to the [2024–2026 single programming document](#), amounted to **EUR 164 677 829** in **commitment appropriations** and **EUR 171 677 829** in **payment appropriations**.

In 2024, the revenue of the Agency consisted of the following:

- subsidy from the EU budget and its accrued interest;
- contributions from Schengen associated countries, namely Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland, and their accrued interest;
- third instalment of the contribution agreement with the Commission under the instrument for pre-accession, phase III;
- first instalment of contributions provided by Denmark under the regional protection project for the Southern Neighbourhood;
- interest income accrued from contributions provided by Czechia and Denmark.

**Table 1.** Revenue per fund source, excluding amounts carried over from previous years (figures rounded to whole numbers).

Budget title	Fund source	Revenue in the budget (€)	Revenue after defining pm <sup>(6)</sup> (€)	Revenue received (€)	Remaining balance (€)
2	Subsidy from EU budget	171 677 829	171 677 829	171 677 829	0
3	Contributions Schengen associated countries	9 766 010	9 766 010	9 766 010	0
4	Other contributions (including accrued interest)		2 365 072	2 365 072	0
5	Other income/ recovery of expenses, interest		1 697 197	1 671 908	25 289
<b>Total income (€)</b>		<b>181 443 839</b>	<b>185 506 108</b>	<b>185 480 819</b>	<b>25 289</b>

<sup>(6)</sup> pm stands for *pro memoria* and indicates that an amount may be assigned to the budget, even if it is not clear what that amount would be, or if it would exist at all.





### III. Human resources, internal control and evaluations

#### Human resources

In 2024 the Agency was assigned **592 staff** posts, 508 <sup>(7)</sup> of which were filled.

**Figure 4.** Assigned and filled staff posts per category in 2024



#### Internal control

After senior management's reassessment in the first quarter of 2025, it was concluded that 6 internal control principles were fully effective and 11 were effective.

Based on the analysis of results at the internal control principle level, it was concluded that all the EUAA's internal control components are effective. They are working as intended, whilst improvements are needed to address moderate or minor deficiencies.

Information on internal control deficiencies and the corresponding corrective actions are available on the [EUAA's website](#).

#### Evaluations

The Agency conducts internal or external mid-term and *ex post* evaluations of programmes and activities that entail significant spending. In 2024, the EUAA completed 13 evaluations.

It also [celebrated ten years of evaluation activities](#), during which over 70 evaluations were conducted or commissioned.

A detailed report on the status of implementation of the action plans in response to evaluation findings is available on the Agency's [website](#).

<sup>(7)</sup> This figure includes posts that had been offered to the selected candidates and for which an employment contract had not yet been signed, as of 31 December 2024.

