



EUROPEAN COMMISSION
DIRECTORATE-GENERAL FOR MIGRATION AND HOME AFFAIRS

Directorate E : Migration and Security Funds; Financial Resources
The Director

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Dear Mr Lauri Lugna,

During the AMIF-ISF Committee meeting of 17 September 2019 the Commission announced that it is preparing programming fiches on the suggested priorities for the future Member States' programmes on the Asylum and Migration Fund (AMF), the Border Management and Visa Instrument (BMVI) and the Internal Security Fund (ISF). The enclosed programming fiches aim to support the preparation of your AMF, BMVI and ISF programmes. Please consider them as a starting point to assist you in your internal reflection process and for our future discussions on your draft programmes.

We invite you to reflect on the funding priorities, taking into account other relevant circumstances, such as the baseline situation in your country at the start of the new programming period, the possibilities to fund incurred expenditure under the current Funds until 31 December 2022, the complementarities with other Funds, as well as the mandates of EU agencies.

We would welcome in particular bilateral meetings with you within the course of the next months, to discuss and assist you in preparing your programmes.

According to the provisional common understanding between the co-legislators, the formal submission of the AMF, BMVI and ISF Programmes should take place no later than three months after the adoption of the Common Provisions Regulation (CPR) or the Fund Specific Regulation, whichever is adopted the latest. The programming process will be done through SFC2014 and through SFC2021 once it is operational.

In order to be ready to submit and approve the programmes shortly after the adoption of the above-mentioned Regulations, we invite you to already start drafting your programmes based on the programme template which will be annexed to the CPR (Annex VI). Please find enclosed the version of the draft template as currently under discussion between the co-legislators.

The provisional compromise reached between the co-legislators limits the coverage of the HOME Funds in the Partnership Agreement. Please note, however, that the requirement to describe in the Partnership Agreement coordination, demarcation and

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complementarities between the Funds/Union Instruments (Art. 8(b)(ii) and (iii) of CPR)¹ does apply to the HOME Funds.

At the next AMIF-ISF Committee meeting on 6 February 2020, there will be an opportunity for you to raise any questions about the programming exercise and develop further any points mentioned in these programming fiches.

We would like to reassure you of our availability to assist you in preparing the draft programmes ahead of the formal submission and approval process. The responsible desk officer Stephanie Hardy (Stephanie.Hardy@ec.europa.eu) is at your disposal for any questions you may have.

We look forward to an excellent cooperation with you for this programming exercise.

Yours sincerely,

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(e-Signed)

Enclosure: (1) Country programming fiches – AMF/BMVI/ISF
(2) Programme template

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¹ Art. 8(b)(ii) and (iii) of the Common Provisions Regulation (CPR):

- (ii) coordination, demarcation and complementarities between the Funds and, where appropriate, coordination between national and regional programmes;
- (iii) complementarities and synergies between the funds covered by the Partnership Agreement, the AMIF, the ISF, the BMVI, and other Union instruments, including LIFE strategic integrated projects and strategic nature projects, and, where appropriate, projects funded under Horizon Europe;