



## **NO SUMMARY OPEN: IT AHQ ON ON RESETTLEMENT COSTS**

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**Responses from Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Slovak Republic, Sweden, United Kingdom plus Norway (19 in Total)**

Disclaimer: The following summary has been based on the responses which were provided primarily for the purpose of information exchange among EMN NCPs in the framework of the EMN. The contributing EMN NCPs have provided, to the best of their knowledge, information that is up-to-date, objective and reliable. Note, however, that the information provided does not necessarily represent the official policy of an EMN NCPs' Member State.

### **Background Information and Description:**

The Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund (AMIF) includes specific funding for refugee resettlement programmes for the period 2014-2020. Member States that receive refugees submitted for resettlement consideration by UNHCR will be eligible for a lump sum of € 6,000 per resettled person. This amount is raised to € 10,000 per resettled person from groups identified as priorities for EU resettlement. Since resettlement programmes include a number of items, we would like to gather information on how to best allocation this funding.

### **Questions**

What percentages of the total amount of € 6,000 or € 10,000 do you allocate to the following items in your national resettlement programme?

- a) Pre-departure guidance and language courses (including training material)
- b) Pre-departure medical screening
- c) Travel to your country
- d) Accommodation in your country
- e) Integration measures after arrival

## Highlights

The EMN AHQ questions pertained to the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund (AMIF), which was established to promote the efficient management of migration flows and the implementation, strengthening and development of a common EU approach to asylum and immigration.

18 MS in total, plus Norway, responded to this AHQ. Norway's responses were not reported in percentages of the ear-marked funds available to the MS – see below for breakdown. SE, NL, LU, DE and BE were not able to give a breakdown for varying reasons, not least of all that the AMIF funds alone did not cover the costs of resettlement refugees. The UK reported that their spending on resettlement will not be restricted to the resettlement pledge monies and would in part be spent on project-based initiatives and schemes and that breaking down the budget as Italy requested did not give any meaning in their case. IE estimated that first year costs for 200 refugees would be in the order of 10 million EUROS when mainstream services were taken into account – an interesting figure since this gives a **pp rate** = 50,000 EURO /474,000 NOK per year. FI and HU reported that they spent between 73% -77% of funding on integration measures. Finland was the only country besides NO to provide a more detailed breakdown of costs.

Norway's reported figures in NOK and EURO:

*(these figures were checked and edited April 2016 and vary a bit from the reported figures sent in earlier)*

- The budget for IOM Oslo and the CO program in 2015 was 6,963,950 NOK/ 800,000 EURO.  
*Estimated total costs pp = 2,785 EURO pp / 26,404 NOK pp.*  
Norway's quota for 2015 was 2,500 and for 2016 is 3,120.
- Norway does not carry out pre-departure medical screening for everyone, only for some. Costs vary but are approximately 10 EURO pp.  
*Estimated total costs per year: between 44 Euro x 500 persons = 22 000 EURO/ 208,000 NOK, AND 105 EURO x 500 persons = 52,500 EURO/ 497,000 NOK*
- Travel expenses, including staff and office costs, and operational costs including medical screening for quota refugees are about 800 Euro/ 7500 NOK pp.  
*Estimated total costs per year for 2500 quota refugees = 20,000 EUROS / 18 750 000 m NOK. Transportation costs alone are approximately 85% of this.*
- The costs for the UNHCR work on preparing the interview of the refugees in the third country are additional; approximately 690 EURO / 6400 NOK pp.

*Estimated costs per year for 2500 quota refugees = 1,7 mill EURO/ 16 mill NOK. Part of this amount goes to various projects run in cooperation with the UNHCR.*

- IMDi has calculated that the average cost **per person** in a refugee resettlement program is 768 500 NOK over five years (81 058 EURO pp).