

Asylum Migration and Integration Fund Ireland

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Reception, Intergration and Capacity Building Projects
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Overview of Projects funded under the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund 2014 - 2020

1. Policy Context

The general objective of the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund 2014-2020 (AMIF) is to promote the efficient management of migration flows and the implementation, strengthening and development of a common EU approach to asylum and immigration. The Fund has four specific objectives:

- A. to strengthen and develop all aspects of the Common European Asylum System, including its external dimension;
- B. to support legal migration to the Member States in accordance with their economic and social needs, such as labour market needs, while safeguarding the integrity of the immigration systems of Member States, and to promote the effective integration of third country nationals;
- C. to enhance fair and effective return strategies in the Member States which contribute to combating illegal immigration, with an emphasis on sustainability of return and effective re-admission in the countries of origin and transit; and
- D. to enhance solidarity and responsibility sharing between the Member States, in particular towards those most affected by migration and asylum flows, including through practical cooperation.

2. AMIF in Ireland

Ireland's National Programme was approved by the European Commission on 21 March 2016. The EU Funds Unit in the Department of Justice and Equality has been designated as Ireland's Responsible Authority for the AMIF. The funding available to Ireland under the AMIF will be used over the lifetime of the Programme – the eligibility period extends to 2022 – to support actions that will help to achieve the National Objectives set out in the Programme.

In 2016, a Call for Proposals was issued and 20 Projects were selected from 45 applicants. Over €4.5 million was committed under this call.

The Projects selected for funding will receive 75% of the eligible project costs. The applicant organisation will be required to provide the 25% matching funding necessary for the project.

This booklet describes the 20 Reception, Integration and Capacity Building projects funded under the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund following the 2016 Call for Proposals.

Projects relating to Resettlement, Relocation and Return activities will also be supported by the AMIF.



Name of Beneficiaries	Project Name	Location / Area	Details and Operational Objectives	Maximum EU Grant
Clare Immigrant Support Centre Ltd	Clare Immigrant Support Project	County Clare	The project will support the personal capacity of in excess of 2,100 Third Country Nations (TCNs), refugees and asylum seekers to successfully establish and maintain their lives in Ireland by improving their skills to positively integrate and be part of Irish society. This will be achieved by providing orientation, reducing isolation, improving service interaction, improving language skills. This increased knowledge and awareness of their rights and obligations, will support improved participation in education, training and employment thus building their capacity to positively engage and become active citizens in all aspects of Irish society.	€180,000
Crosscare	Promoting Integration through Partnership and Support	Dublin and surrounding areas	<p>1. The project will focus on two key areas: Capacity building of frontline services in the statutory and voluntary sector that work with the target group with a focus on those who are marginalised, vulnerable or in crisis, targeting social workers, medical social workers, domestic violence refuge key workers, community groups and homeless service staff – through training, joint case work, resource materials and referral mechanisms.</p> <p>Target: 30 organisations</p> <p>2. Direct information and advocacy service provision to TCNs, including those who have been granted status after being in the asylum system, around the immigration system (residency, family reunification, citizenship), access to statutory services (health, social protection and job seeking supports, and social housing supports), preventing or exiting homelessness, and integration into their local community.</p> <p>Target: 2,700 - 3,000 people/families</p>	€248,981



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Doras Luimní	Reception and Integration Service	Limerick and mid-west region	The Doras project aims to enhance the reception experience of those in the protection process and to improve all Third Country Nationals' integration prospects and ability to reach their potential in Ireland. This will be achieved through a mix of advice and information services to 1,485 asylum seekers, provision of training and skills development to up to 30 learners, health, psychological supports referrals, and intercultural activities (including training) to up to 60 individuals.	€234,245
Edmund Rice	MUKISA – Capacity Building Programme (Mobilising Urban Knowledge and connectedness through Integration and Social Achievement)	Waterford Wexford Kilkenny Carlow	The project will promote integration and build the capacity of the TCN community to develop their environment in harmony with the host community to reflect their cultures and to foster mutual understanding and cultural respect that promotes acceptance of the diversity and combats discrimination and racism. The project will engage 40 TCN's on the Mukisa programme that includes English language training, QQI accredited training and work experience.	€150,000
Football Association of Ireland (FAI)	Grassroots Integration through Football	National	The FAI will foster integration in Irish society using football by mobilising community participation nationally within a project framework that supports alliances & collaborative actions between local clubs, individuals and community groups. The project will develop & support a national alliance network of sustainable local football actions developing connections beyond the lifetime of the AMIF. Operationally, the project proposal will leverage the FAI's existing network of full time development officers, extensive grassroots network of affiliates, from clubs to leagues, as well as local authority & NGO connections to support collaborative alliances. The project will specifically focus on children, adults & young people's participation, and aims to involve over 6,100 participants in the programme	€150,073



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Galway City Partnership	BRIDGE	Galway City and County	<p>The BRIDGE Project will promote the effective delivery of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reception/asylum responses • Integration supports (including capacity building interventions) of up to 540 families/participants in Galway City and County <p>The BRIDGE Project will ensure:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Effective delivery of targeted reception/asylum responses through information, advocacy, referral and support actions in two direct provision centres and two support centres in Galway city. 2. Innovative integration actions will comprise language, pre-enrolment and cultural orientation interventions through individual/group context in Galway City and outreach supports to Tuam, Gort, Ballinasloe and Loughrea. 3. Capacity building actions will build an effective partnership with public organisations in developing innovative and flexible referral systems, services and supports to meet the needs of the target groups. 	€201,000
Immigrant Council of Ireland	Integration Hub	National	<p>The Integration Hub will function as a national focal point and service provider. The Hub will act as a catalyst and focal point for discussion and development of good practice and policy on migrant integration. The direct service will have two broad areas of focus; civic & political participation and anti-racism. The service will provide 4 workshops a year, including 2 regional events and other capacity-building activities on civic & political participation. Anti-racism work will involve victim support, public awareness raising, diversity training and research. The Hub will further train and support groups to provide workshops and trainings on the two issues.</p>	€150,000



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Irish Refugee Council (IRC)	Quality, Protection and Empowerment in the Asylum Procedure and Transition from Direct Provision	Focused on areas where there is little or no information provision - Monaghan, Athlone, Westmeath, Waterford, Sligo, Mayo, Galway	<p>The project will provide services to asylum seekers at each stage of the asylum procedure: initial information in relation to the asylum procedure; early Legal Advice to persons in the asylum procedure, family reunification and a holistic integration package for beneficiaries of international protection.</p> <p>The project will use a continuum of care approach to ensure that applicants are assisted at each stage of the asylum procedure according to best practice models developed by the IRC and other organisations, both in Ireland and internationally. In addition, through training, capacity building and resources, the project will ensure other key stakeholders are able to deliver similar services to a standard of best practice. The project will assist and have direct impact on approximately 3000 asylum seekers and beneficiaries of protection. It will assist and have direct impact on approx. 200 lawyers as well as community group and Citizens Information Board staff.</p>	€300,000
Irish Traveller Movement	Yellow Flag Programme	National	<p>The Yellow Flag programme is a whole school intercultural initiative supporting integration. ITM will run the programme in 10 schools across the academic year Sept 2017-June 2018. It will actively target schools during this period (using the latest Census/Department of Justice and DES statistics) in areas/schools where asylum seeker, Third Country Nationals (TCN) or children under the IRPP are living/attending. ITM will both pilot the resources developed from ITM's existing Yellow Flag work in the 10 schools, as well as further develop additional case studies & resources during our work with the schools up to June 2018.</p>	€150,410



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Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS) Ltd.	PATHS Project (Providing Asylum-seekers in Transition with Housing and Support)	Dublin	The PATHS project will assist long-term residents with status to exit Direct Provision. Participants will be selected in consultation with the Reception and Integration Agency (RIA). The Paths project will target 140 TCN's to assist them in establishing a new life in the community, to help address transition challenges encountered, to support integration and to contribute to a more inclusive society in Ireland through a more sustainable model of integration. The guiding approach will be based on the housing first model, which prioritises up front housing provision accompanied by wraparound integration (education, employment and links to the community) and psychosocial supports.	€179,954
KASI	Reception Project for Asylum Seekers and Integration of TCN's	Killarney and Tralee	The project will operate a drop-in and resource centre for a target of 280 TCN's. Training activities and workshops for up to 160 individuals to promote and encourage participation of TCNs and their integration into the community. Outreach work in 4 direct provisions centres in Kerry and one in Millstreet, Co. Cork providing information, advocacy and referrals for 250 TCN's. Providing specific family support programmes in DP centres in Kerry and Millstreet for 70 TCN's.	€180,000
Kilmallock Performing Centre	Integration through the Arts	Limerick City and County, Co. Cork and Co. Clare	The project will engage with 6000 students in schools, using a drama methodology to combat racism and raise awareness of the benefits of legal migration. It will produce 1000 accompanying anti racism resource packs for teachers. The project will establish an international Youth Theatre for 50 TCN young people, performing integration themed films and plays for the public that promote intercultural dialogue and mutual understanding. With the support of the Educational Training Board (ETB), the project will provide English language and employability skills course for 70-90 TCN adults. Using its established educational networks, participants will be referred and self- selected. It is also planned to run a summer camp for 30 TCN young people each year.	€168,750



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Laois Partnership Company	Reception and Integration Service	Limerick and mid-west region	The project will: (i) support asylum seekers, refugees and third country nationals living in Laois and surrounding areas transitioning from direct provision; (ii) develop Laois’s first Integration Strategy; (iii) identify and raise awareness of the needs of new communities; (iv) enhance their capacity to engage with service providers and relevant agencies; and (v) Support and provide training to relevant service providers. The project will engage with 400 service users.	€150,000
Mary Immaculate College	Embracing Diversity, Nurturing Integration, Learning for Life	Limerick City	This project will support migrants to integrate into Limerick city and Irish society. It will include a range of in school and after school supports for approximately 1700 children, their families and service providers, based on needs identified and informed by best practice. It will develop structures to facilitate integration. A project team will be appointed to implement the programme. Beneficiaries include the families and their children currently enrolled who come from forty countries, speak twenty-six languages and practice seventeen different religions. It is anticipated that this 23 month project will form the basis of a more long term intervention.	€300,000
Migrant Rights Centre of Ireland	Advancing Rights and Building Capacity of Low Waged TCNs	Nationwide - Waterford, Cork, Kerry, Limerick, Galway, Mayo, Roscommon, Donegal, Meath, Kildare and Dublin	The project will target TCNs most at risk of poverty, exclusion and discrimination in low-waged and un-regulated sectors. It will support 2,200 TCNs cases per year to access rights and entitlements and take up mainstream services. It will engage 3,000 to participate in project actions and in the development of policies that affect their lives. This project will indirectly support over 15,000 TCNs. This will be achieved through the provision of information and support, new outreach models, use of innovative technology and building the active participation of vulnerable TCN migrants through a community work process. This project will generate data and evidence of the situation of TCNs to inform policy and improve the capacity of key stakeholders to engage TCNs.	€250,000



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NASC	Integrating Cork	Cork	<p>This project will work with asylum seekers and beneficiaries of international protection and provide one-to-one support to people in the asylum / reception system, and beneficiaries of international protection through the delivery of an expert, wrap around front line information and support service across 5 asylum centres in Cork. The project will operate a legal information and drop-in service for TCNs to provide information on economic, social and cultural rights and obligations, with a specific focus on vulnerable people. A range of web based information and materials, to enable self advocacy and access to rights for TCN's will be developed. These materials will include videos and how to guides, fact sheets, information on the single procedure, family reunification, reception rights and entitlements, transition supports and integration opportunities. The project will provide capacity building and training to host communities including: schools community / voluntary groups and statutory and non-statutory organisations to promote greater understanding, between Irish Citizens and TCN communities, and to ensure services are more aware and inclusive.</p>	€200,000
National College of Ireland	Community Integration and Family Support Project	Dublin North & South Inner City	<p>The project will provide a home visiting programme for 30 vulnerable migrant families with children aged 0-4 years. They will be visited twice weekly where the Home Visitor will model for parents how to talk, read and play with their children and/or offer support to a parent of an infant. This has a dual purpose of reducing isolation and integrating migrant families into the local community. The programme will enhance children's language skills and school readiness.</p>	€150,000



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South Dublin County Partnership	Integration of Third Country Nationals Through the Life Cycle	South Dublin County	<p>The project is aimed at supporting the integration and capacity building of approximately 85 Third Country Nationals across three categories: young people, adults and elderly all of whom are living in areas of South Dublin, by means of:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increasing the participation of young Third Country Nationals in mainstream youth work provision and build the capacity of youth workers to be more inclusively and culturally aware in their practice. • Building the capacity of Third Country Nationals adults in leadership or potential leadership positions. • Building social awareness and opportunities for social and cultural integration for older Third Country Nationals. 	€150,000
South West Mayo Development Company	Diversity Mayo	Mayo	<p>This project will aim to target 300 asylum seekers, refugees and vulnerable Third Country Nationals in Mayo to access a number of high-quality information, advocacy, supports and services appropriate to their legal status. Building capacity of front-line services to respond to the needs of the target group in a culturally competent way will assist this.</p>	€265,814
Spirasi	Holistic Rehabilitation & Educational Support for Torture Victims in Ireland	National	<p>This project seeks to augment the holistic rehabilitation offered to 130 victims of torture, and will focus on:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Providing approximately 100 Initial Assessments per annum leading to an individualised care plan for ongoing therapeutic and psychosocial support 2. Providing approximately 100 Medical Legal Reports per annum in a timely manner for the protection process. 3. Building the capacity of the organisation to deliver, expand and sustain the project 	€750,000

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