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**Background Note to accompany the  
BRIEFING PAPER ON  
REDUCING MIGRANT VULNERABILITIES  
THROUGH THE ASYLUM, MIGRATION AND INTEGRATION FUND 2014-2020**

*The aim of this internal document is to present the key messages included in the Briefing Paper on Reducing migrant vulnerabilities through the asylum, migration and integration fund 2014-2020 and to highlight possible action points for National Societies and the RCEU office to have an impact on the functioning and programming of the future financial instrument.*

**BACKGROUND**

Negotiations on the future of EU funding on migration and asylum are taking place at various levels in parallel:

**(1) heads of state and the European Parliament are discussing the overall budget (Multiannual Financial Framework):** The European Council endorsed the Multiannual Financial Framework on 7-8 February 2013. This agreement foresees a decrease in the amounts contemplated in the initial commission proposal, which should also impact funding available for asylum and migration. Negotiations with the European Parliament are ongoing and a vote is expected in summer 2013.

**(2) the European Parliament and Council are discussing the proposed Directive on the Asylum and Migration Fund:** Negotiations between the Council and the European Parliament on the Commission proposal for an Asylum and Migration Fund<sup>1</sup> started in February. The European Parliament text reflects most of the recommendations expressed by civil society organizations but the Council opposes several of these.

**(3) the Commission and national administrations are discussing the implementation and programming of the funds:** while negotiations on the Proposal for an Asylum and Migration Fund are ongoing, the European Commission will launch policy dialogues with each Member States in June 2013. The aim of these policy dialogues is to identify the specific needs and priorities of each Member State.

With this Briefing Paper we wish to convey the stakeholder positioning within the framework of the policy dialogues and to support the development and implementation of national multiannual programmes.

**KEY MESSAGES**

Following on from the RCEU Background note on the Proposals for the Future of EU Funding on Migration and Asylum distributed in July 2012, the aim of the 9 policy recommendations in this Briefing Paper is to:

- ensure engagement of the Red Cross in the funds , in particular via the establishment of a partnership between national authorities and relevant bodies to develop and implement national programmes,
- favour support for projects implemented by Civil Society actors and for activities to reduce migrant vulnerabilities,
- ensure that Member States prioritise support for innovative projects that complement current policies, address shortcomings of policy interventions and explore alternative strategies,
- promoting funding of projects that have a European added value.

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<sup>1</sup> Proposal for a Regulation on an asylum and migration fund, COM (2011) 751.

## TIMETABLE

The Commission's current planning is to hold most of the policy dialogues between June and October 2013. These will mainly take place in Member State capitals and each one is expected to last around half a day.

June 2013	Policy dialogues with MALTA, LUXEMBOURG, IRELAND, ROMANIA, FRANCE, ITALY
July 2013	Policy dialogues with NETHERLANDS, SPAIN, GERMANY, POLAND, LITHUANIA, LATVIA, CROATIA, AUSTRIA, BULGARIA
September – October 2013	Policy dialogues with SLOVAKIA, GREECE, PORTUGAL, CYPRUS, HUNGARY, BELGIUM, SWEDEN, CZECH REPUBLIC, UNITED KINGDOM, ESTONIA, FINLAND, SLOVENIA
Policy dialogues + 1 month	Policy dialogue minutes finalised
Policy dialogues + 3 months	Member State submits draft national programme to the European Commission
Submission + max 3 months	European Commission makes observations to Member States
Submission + max 6-9 months	European Commission adopts national programmes for each Member State

## SUGGESTED ACTION POINTS FOR CONTRIBUTING TO THE INFLUENCE AND IMPACT OF THE BRIEFING PAPER

### For the Red Cross EU Office

- Providing informal feedback to EP rapporteur (Sylvie Guillaume, S&D) on the implementation of the partnership principle in different Member States and dissemination of the briefing note to European Parliament Members who have acted as rapporteurs and shadows in the negotiations.
- Joint statement of RCEU with other Civil Society actors to stress the importance of engaging NGOs in a mandatory partnership.
- Targeted dissemination at EU level (corresponding services within Members of the European Parliament, European Commission, Permanent representations and NGOs).
- Organize a meeting with European Commission services in charge of policy dialogues to stress the importance of consulting with the Red Cross National Societies ahead and after policy dialogues.

### For National Societies

- Disseminating the briefing paper internally within your National Society, including to the departments in charge of resource mobilisation.
- Following the policy dialogues taking place in your country (see timetable above) and sharing the briefing paper with relevant authorities ahead of these.
- Organising bilateral meetings with national authorities responsible for the management of EU funds and raise one or more of the nine policy recommendations included, depending on your priorities and activities.
- Creating alliances on this topic with other NGOs benefiting from EU funds on migration and asylum.

## ANNEX– Contact details of national authorities in charge of the management of EU funds on migration and asylum (as of May 2013)

Member State/ Associated Country	Name of the National authority	Website	Contact details
Austria	Bundesministerium für Inneres	<a href="http://www.bmi.gv.at/eu-solid-fonds/">http://www.bmi.gv.at/eu-solid-fonds/</a>	Bürgerservice und Auskunftsstelle Herrngasse 7, 1014 Wien Tel.: +43-(0)1-531 26-3100 E-Mail: <a href="mailto:buergerservice@bmi.gv.at">buergerservice@bmi.gv.at</a>
Belgium	Federale overheidsdienst Binnenlandse Zaken / Service public fédéral Intérieur	<a href="http://www.eu-fonds-dofi.be/">http://www.eu-fonds-dofi.be/</a>	Cellule Fonds européens de l'Office des étrangers (EBF & RF), Local 516a Chaussée d'Anvers 59B 1000 Bruxelles
Bulgaria	Ministry of Interior	<a href="http://www.dmp.mvr.bg/En/default.htm">http://www.dmp.mvr.bg/En/default.htm</a>	Sofia 1000, 29 "Shesti Septemvri" Str. Fax: 02 / 982 28 18 E-Mail: <a href="mailto:dmp@mvr.bg">dmp@mvr.bg</a>
Cyprus	Ministry of Interior	<a href="http://www.moi.gov.cy/moi/sf/sf.nsf/index_en/index_en?OpenDocument">http://www.moi.gov.cy/moi/sf/sf.nsf/index_en/index_en?OpenDocument</a>	Ministry of Interior - Solidarity Funds Megaro Odyssea 2 Kyriakou Matsi & Griva Digeni Avenue, 1st Floor 1082 Nicosia
Czech Republic	Ministry of Interior	<a href="http://www.mvcr.cz/mvcren/article/funds-and-programmes-in-the-field-of-migration.aspx?q=Y2hudW09Mw%3d%3d">http://www.mvcr.cz/mvcren/article/funds-and-programmes-in-the-field-of-migration.aspx?q=Y2hudW09Mw%3d%3d</a>	Ministry of the Interior postbox 21 Prague 7 – Letná 170 34 Tel.: +420 974 817 361 E-Mail: <a href="mailto:krivova@mvcr.cz">krivova@mvcr.cz</a>
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Hungary	Ministry of Interior	<a href="http://www.kormany.hu/hu/belugyminiszterium/szabalyozasi-es-koordinacios-helyettes-allamtitkarsag/felelossegi-teruletek/bevandorlas">http://www.kormany.hu/hu/belugyminiszterium/szabalyozasi-es-koordinacios-helyettes-allamtitkarsag/felelossegi-teruletek/bevandorlas</a>	1903 Budapest, Pf.: 314. Hungary Tel.: +36 1-441-1000
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