



Prague Process Targeted Initiative

Project description

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Leading state	Republic of Poland, Ministry of Interior
Full project title	Support for the Implementation of the Prague Process and its Action Plan
Short project title	Prague Process Targeted Initiative (PP TI)
Donor	European Commission
Geographical focus	European Union, Schengen Area, Eastern Partnership, Western Balkans, Central Asia, Russia and Turkey
PP TI duration	August 2012 – July 2015 (36 months)
PP TI objectives	<p>Overall Objective: to enhance the cooperation in the area of migration and asylum between the countries of the European Union, the Schengen Area, the Eastern Partnership, the Western Balkans, the Central Asia, Russia and Turkey, through the support for the implementation of the Prague Process and its Action Plan 2012–2016</p> <p>Specific Objective 1: to ensure continued expert-level dialogue and targeted information exchange among states participating in the Prague Process, on the topics identified in the Prague Process Action Plan</p> <p>Specific Objective 2: to maintain, update and/or further improve the BMP knowledge base, through the gathering of information in the form of Migration Profiles for countries participating in the Prague Process</p> <p>Specific Objective 3: to implement, following the rationale of the Global Approach to Migration and Mobility and the Prague Process Action Plan, four concrete initiatives (Pilot Projects), one in each of the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ preventing and fighting illegal migration; ➤ addressing legal migration and mobility with a special emphasis on labour migration; ➤ making migration and mobility positive forces for development; ➤ strengthening capacities in the areas of asylum and international protection.



Target group(s) ¹	The target groups of the PP TI are 1) ministers and heads of departments of ministries and immigration services of participating countries; and 2) senior officials and officials of these ministries at senior working level (3–5 officials per partner country for general activities in the Prague Process framework, 2–5 experts per partner country for each of the Pilot Projects).
Final beneficiaries ²	Final beneficiaries of the project are the migration authorities from partners participating in the Prague Process, holding responsibilities in the management of migration, labour migration, asylum, return and reintegration, as well as in combating illegal migration, human smuggling and trafficking.
Estimated results	<p>Specific Objective 1 – expert-level dialogue:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Establishment of network of National Contact Points to increase knowledge sharing and cooperation between Prague Process states ➤ Expert-level dialogue and targeted information exchange among NCPs ➤ Organisation of yearly Senior Officials Meetings to ensure policy dialogue and guidance within the Prague Process ➤ Coordination between Prague Process and Eastern Partnership Panel on Migration and Asylum <p>Specific Objective 2 – knowledge base:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Interactive online i-Map updated and improved ➤ 4 states’ Migration Profiles pending from the BMP initiative developed and used, 7 existing BMP Migration Profiles updated and used ➤ Capacity of 11 states to gather and process data on migration is strengthened <p>Specific Objective 3:</p> <p><i>Pilot Project 1 – Illegal Migration – led by Poland with support of Slovakia and Romania:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Compilation of best practices ➤ Prague Process Guidelines on concluding readmission agreements and organising returns ➤ Capacity of participating states to manage return and readmission is strengthened <p><i>Pilot Project 2 – Legal Migration – led by Hungary:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Compilation of best practices ➤ Prague Process Recommendations on organising labour migration between countries of origin and countries of destination, focusing on access to information by potential migrants and aspects of better labour matching ➤ Capacity of participating states to support the effective organisation of labour migration by providing information to potential migrants is strengthened

¹ “Target groups” are the groups/entities who will be directly positively affected by the action at the action purpose level.

² “Final beneficiaries” are those who will benefit from the action in the long term at the level of the society or sector at large.

	<p><i>Pilot Project 3 – Migration and Development – led by the Czech Republic:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Compilation of best practices ➤ Prague Process Guidelines on Circular Migration Policies ➤ Understanding in participating states of the concept of circular migration and measures to effectively facilitate it is increased <p><i>Pilot Project 4 – International Protection and Asylum – led by Sweden and Germany:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The EASO/European Asylum Curriculum (EAC) training module on Inclusion translated into Russian language and available online ➤ A number of national asylum authorities will have become familiar with the EAC Concept and a number of national experts will have been trained and will become certified EAC trainers in Inclusion ➤ Participating asylum case officers and decision makers in partner countries will have improved asylum skills and knowledge in international refugee law, including the EU asylum acquis ➤ Prague Process Guidelines on asylum procedures and training needs – including a structured assessment on training needs in the participating states
Main activities	<p>Specific Objective 1 (duration 36 months):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 3 Prague Process Senior Officials Meetings ➤ 4 Thematic meetings/workshops ➤ National Contact Point Network development and maintenance ➤ Quarterly newsletter publication ➤ Website development and maintenance <p>Specific Objective 2 (duration 36 months):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 2 Workshops with capacity building components ➤ 3 Expert Missions of EU experts to partner states ➤ 2 Study visits of partner states’ experts to EU Member States ➤ Development and use of 4 migration profiles ➤ Update and use of 7 migration profiles ➤ Continuous i-Map update and maintenance <p>Specific Objective 3:</p> <p><i>Pilot Project 1</i> (duration 24 months):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 5 Expert-level Workshops ➤ 1 Study visit of partner states’ experts to EU Member State ➤ Drafting of guidelines and compilation of best practices on readmission and returns <p><i>Pilot Project 2</i> (duration 27 months):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 4 Expert-level Workshops ➤ 1 Study visit of partner states’ experts to EU Member State ➤ 1–2 Expert mission(s) to partner states ➤ Drafting of recommendations and compilation of best practices on labour migration <p><i>Pilot Project 3</i> (duration 24 months):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 4 Expert-level Workshops ➤ Drafting of guidelines and compilation of best practices on circular migration

	<p>Pilot Project 4 (duration 18 months):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 3 Expert-level Workshops ➤ Expert Missions of EU experts to 1–2 partner countries ➤ Study visit of 7 partner countries experts to 7 EU MS ➤ 1 EASO-EAC Train-the-Trainer training session ➤ 7 EAC National training sessions in partner countries ➤ 1 Workshop to draft country specific road map for staff training in refugee status determination procedure ➤ Drafting of guidelines on training needs
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Pilot Projects – Participating states³

	Leading state/s	Participating states/observers/organisations
Illegal Migration	<u>Poland</u> + Romania, Slovakia	Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Denmark, Hungary, Kosovo (UNSCR 1244/1999), Kyrgyzstan, Liechtenstein, Moldova, the Netherlands, Russia, Serbia, Switzerland, Turkey, Ukraine; Frontex
Legal Migration	Hungary	Albania, Armenia, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Finland, Georgia, Kosovo (UNSCR 1244/1999), Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Russia, Sweden, Tajikistan, Ukraine; IOM
Migration and Development	Czech Republic	Albania, Armenia, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Finland, former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Georgia, Kosovo (UNSCR 1244/1999), Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Russia, Slovenia, Tajikistan, Ukraine
International Protection and Asylum	<u>Sweden</u> + Germany	Albania, Armenia, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Georgia, Hungary, Kosovo (UNSCR 1244/1999), Kyrgyzstan, Liechtenstein, former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Moldova, the Netherlands, Russia, Serbia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom; UNHCR, EASO

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³ As indicated by interested states at the Senior Officials' Meeting in Warsaw on 2-3 April 2012. The number and composition of each Pilot Project is expected to be confirmed after kick-off workshops of respective Pilot Projects.