VOLUNTARY SCHEME FOR THE RELOCATION FROM GREECE TO OTHER EUROPEAN COUNTRIES

With the twin objectives to support vulnerable groups and enhance solidarity among European Union (EU) Member States and associated countries, **IOM** in collaboration with **EASO**, **UNHCR** and **UNICEF** is supporting the **Greek Government,** the **Ministry of Migration and Asylum,** the **Special Secretary for the Protection of Unaccompanied Migrant Children** and the **General Secretary of Migration Policy** in relocating asylum seekers and beneficiaries of international protection from Greece to other European countries.
The voluntary mechanism aims to prepare and relocate **5,200 vulnerable asylum seekers and beneficiaries of international protection**, including **1,600 Unaccompanied Migrant Children (UMC)** and children with severe medical conditions accompanied by their family members.
IOM is collaborating with its partners and other sub-contracted organizations **(ARSIS, Merimna, METAdrasi, PRAKSIS, Syn-eirmos, Terre des Hommes, Solidarity Now, Zeuxis)** to ensure that all the beneficiaries travel in a safe and dignified manner and to prepare them before departure with enhanced skills and information to ease their integration in the **Member State of Relocation (MSR)**.
The project is funded by the **Directorate for Migration and Home Affairs of the European Commission**.

UMC
Unaccompanied Migrant Children

1,194

MALE **93%**
FEMALE **7%**

FAMILIES
Applicants of international protection

1,701

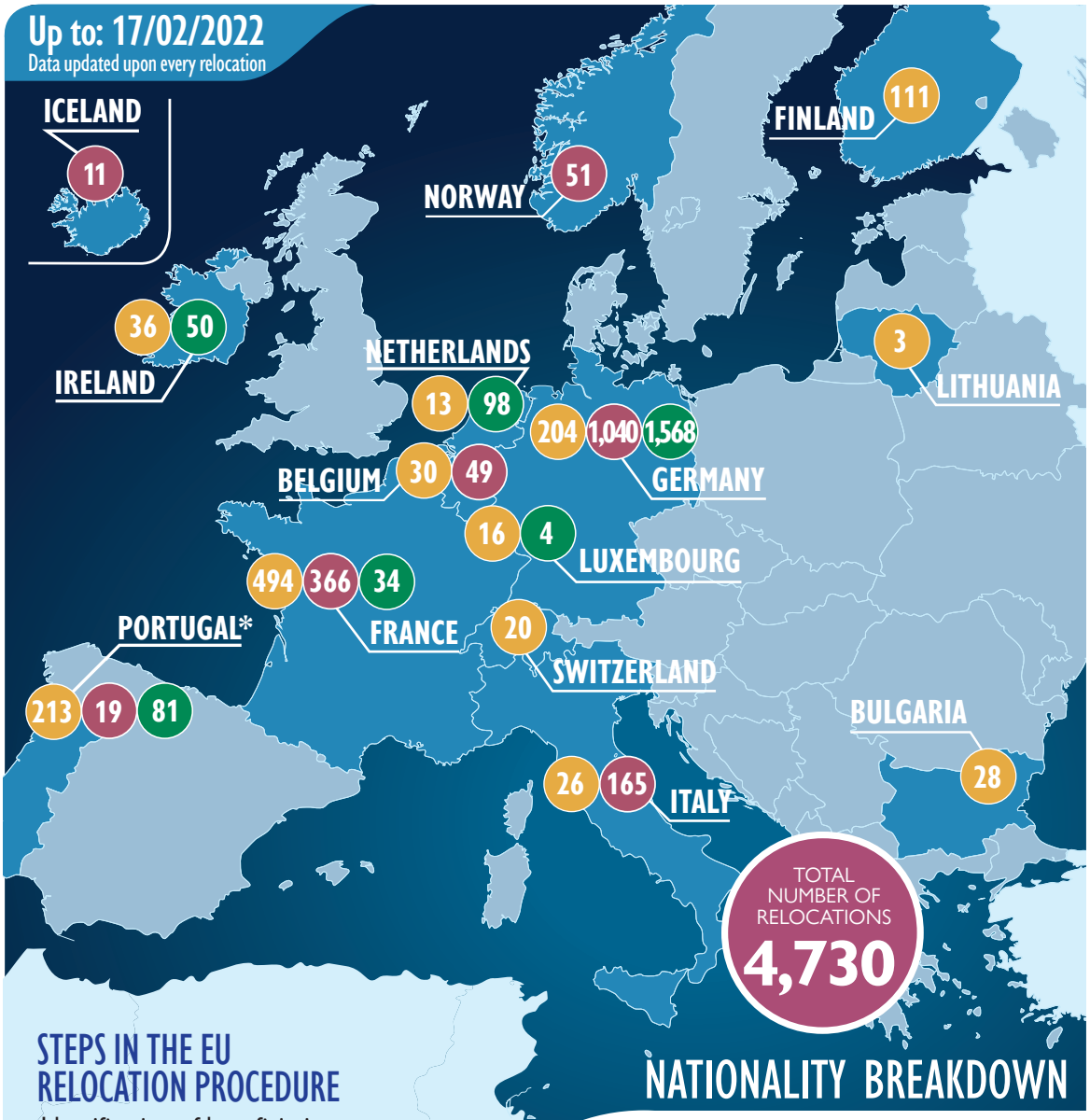
CHILDREN **972**
MALE **33%**
FEMALE **27%**
ADULTS **729**
MALE **19%**
FEMALE **21%**

FAMILIES
Beneficiaries of international protection

1,835

CHILDREN **978**
MALE **30%**
FEMALE **28%**
ADULTS **857**
MALE **15%**
FEMALE **27%**

Up to: 17/02/2022
Data updated upon every relocation

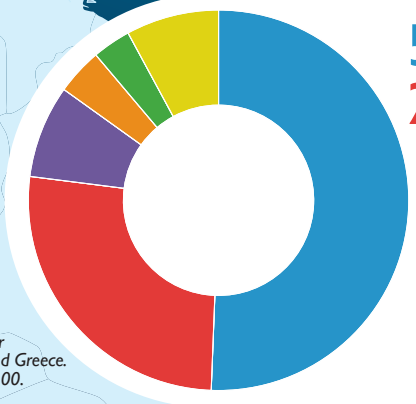


STEPS IN THE EU RELOCATION PROCEDURE

- Identification of beneficiaries
- Best interest assessment (BIA)
- Accompaniment of beneficiaries
- Accommodation prior to departure
- Pre-migration health activities
- Pre-departure orientation sessions (PDO) and pre-embarkation information
- Airport assistance and provision of escorts during the flight
- Movement management and reception assistance

**To be noted that 100 beneficiaries have been relocated under a bilateral agreement between the Government of Portugal and Greece. The total number of pledges provided under this scheme are 100.*

NATIONALITY BREAKDOWN



56% AFGHANISTAN
24% SYRIA
5% IRAQ
3% PALESTINIAN TERRITORIES
3% SOMALIA
9% OTHERS

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