ANNEX

European Refugee Fund

ANNUAL PROGRAMME 2011

Member State: HUNGARY

1. GENERAL RULES FOR SELECTION OF PROJECTS TO BE FINANCED UNDER THE PROGRAMME

Under the annual programme 2011 the Responsible Authority only acts as an awarding body.

For all actions of the annual programme the type of the call for proposals will be an open procedure as these activities are not based on de jure monopoly, nor are they a matter of security considerations.

1.1. Description of the selection procedure for all actions

The detailed rules are laid down in the Management and Control Systems and the Operational Manual.

<u>In the end of August 2011</u> the call for proposals will be published in two daily papers and on the homepage of the Application's Observer and on the homepage of the MoI in order to ensure maximum publicity among potential beneficiaries.

In addition to the call for proposals guidelines for the call and the model grant agreement will be published on this homepage on the same day, which announces in detail general information on the European Refugee Fund allocation for 2011 concerning financing, the aims and objectives, the legal background, criteria for applicants and for applications, the selection procedure including the time schedule as well as the evaluation procedure and implementation of projects etc.

The selection criteria and all the information announced in the guidelines for the call are consistent with the minimum criteria defined by the legal basis, and are non-discriminatory, provide for equal treatment and a wide selection base as the application is open for public institutions and non-governmental actors as well. The guidelines for the call also informs the potential beneficiaries about the eligibility rules for the expenditure, the time limit for implementation, financial and other information and rules to be kept and communicates specific conditions concerning the projects.

The selection criteria are the following:

a) the reasonableness of the project given the legal background, the project environment (including existing actions funded from the general budget of from other EU funds), the situation and requirements in the Member State;

b) the cost-effectiveness of the expenditure;

c) the experience, expertise, financial and professional reliability and financial contribution of the organisation applying for funding and any partner organisation;

d) the reliability of the project proposal.

Aiming at providing sufficient guarantees to ensure open competition and adequate publicity through the website, all interested parties will be invited for a meeting in September 2011, where the potential applicants will have the opportunity to receive more information on the selection and evaluation of projects, the specific conditions concerning the projects and ask questions. Besides this meeting, the potential applicants will have the opportunity to raise questions in writing (via e-mail). All questions and answers that emerge will be uploaded to the website at the beginning of October 2011, so every potential applicant will be well and equally informed.

The deadline for the submission of proposals will be <u>in the middle of October 2011</u> and the time for submission (from call's publication to submission deadline) will be six weeks at least. On the basis of the principle of transparency the opening of the proposals is public and every applicant can be present at this event. The exact time and place of the opening is also announced in the guidelines for the call. The evaluation process starts <u>in the middle of October 2011</u> and will end in all probability <u>in November 2011</u>. Evaluation of the proposals is carried out in two steps:

- Verification of the formal requirements and of the professional eligibility criteria
- Evaluation of the merits of the proposals

During the evaluation process all applications are placed on an equal footing and evaluated with the same criteria.

Following the approval of the proposal on the selected projects to be subsidized – expectedly <u>in the end of November 2011</u> –each applicant will be informed on the result of the selection process in writing. In parallel the award decision – including the name of applicants, the titles of projects, the scores and the amount of allowance granted – will be made available on the homepage of the MoI.

The expected date of signing the grant agreements will be <u>in December 2011</u>. Implementation of the projects will last from 1st January 2012 to 30th June 2013.

1.2 Complementarity with similar actions financed by other EU instruments

Applicants have to provide a declaration on the fact that they do not receive any other financial support for the activities included in their project proposals.

- Overlapping with the EIF and the RF is further excluded in the following way:

- The call for proposals specifies the target group of the actions in line with the Basic Act of the European Refugee Fund and expressis verbis excludes those persons who do not belong to the target group of the European Refugee Fund.
- The Responsible Authority being the same for the ERF and the EIF and RF, overlapping with the other two funds can easily be identified and avoided at evaluation stage
- During the first step of the evaluation procedure compliance with the target group is verified. Those projects which do not meet this requirement can not be supported by the ERF.

- Overlapping with the European Social Fund is further excluded in the following way:

The National Strategic Reference Framework of Hungary for the period 2007–2013 is called The New Hungary Development Plan - Employment and Growth. An important tool in this context is the European Social Fund that is also a financial source for the New Hungary Development Plan.

The New Hungary Development Plan contains 6 strategic goals, priorities (1. economic development, 2. transport development 3. social renewal, 4. environment and energy development, 5. regional development, 6. state reform). The third strategic priority is the social renewal. The social renewal strategy, besides strengthening social cohesion and reducing regional disparities, plays a decisive role in increasing employment and contributing to the long term growth of the economy.

Within the framework of the "Social Renewal Operational Programme" co-financed by the European Social Fund integration and labour market projects will be developed. The Social Renewal Operational Programme contains the next specific objectives: 1.) Improving the alignment of labour market demand and supply; 2.) Reducing the regional differences in activity; 3.) Promoting adaptability to changes; 4.) Promoting lifelong learning; 5.) Improving the state of health and ability to work; 6.) Strengthening social inclusion, promoting equal opportunities. These projects will target all disadvantaged groups in general. In theory, refugees and beneficiaries of subsidiary protection – if they fulfil the requirements – are also able to participate in these programmes co-financed by the European Social Fund. However, refugees and beneficiaries of subsidiary protection are not a target group in this context as dedicated social and labour market integration programmes will be implemented within the framework of European Refugee Fund. In order to avoid overlapping with the Social Renewal Operative Programme funded by the European Social Fund the calls for proposals of the ERF stress that those actions which are eligible under the Social Renewal Operative Programme are not eligible under the ERF.

The National Development Agency in charge of the management of the ESF is represented in the Evaluation Committee for the selection of projects to be funded from the ERF and therefore will ensure that no double funding can occur.

The supervision of the execution of the European Refugee Fund's projects shall be carried out by an independent *Monitoring Committee* as an intermediary organ where the National Development Agency is also represented. This tool is another safeguard to ensure that the National Development Agency has a strategic overview over the areas of development in different areas. The Monitoring Committee can make suggestions to the Responsible Authority to supervise the use of the Funds in view of better achievement of the aims of the Funds or the improvement of the management of the programmes including financial control. The Monitoring Committee can suggest to the Responsible Authority to revise the management and control system of the Funds in order to improve the efficiency of the operation of the Funds.

The consultation and the cooperation between the Ministry of Interior and the National Development Agency are continuous and fluent in order to ensure the best usage of these Funds and in order to avoid parallel financing.

2. ACTIONS TO BE SUPPORTED BY THE PROGRAMME UNDER THE PRIORITIES CHOSEN

The target groups of all the actions of the annual programme are exclusively asylum seekers, refugees and persons enjoying subsistively protection as defined in the basic act of the European Refugee Fund. All expected quantified results apply to the implementation period of the annual programme unless explicitly otherwise indicated in the text and they are indicative.

According to the MAP in the first period of the multi-annual planning of the European Refugee Fund Hungary aims to emphasize the activities related to the first and the second objective ("ensure an effective and fair asylum procedure" and "improvement of reception conditions") but later actions related to the third, fourth and fifth objectives will be more in focus. The AP 2011 is in line with this planning as described below. According to the indicative plan on the timing of the implementation on page 29 of MAP we undertook to implement actions falling under all five objectives and AP 2011 complies with this.

In general, as the national allocation increased from 2010 to 2011 significantly, Hungary is enabled to allocate more financial allocation to each action. In line with the MAP in the AP 2010 the main focus was on the improvement of reception conditions including capacity building activities. This was justified also due to the results of the new Asylum Act entered into force in 2008. These results affected mostly the reception system of Hungary. The changes in the functions of the reception centres changed the dispersion of persons accommodated in reception centres. Another factor was that the average number of persons accommodated in reception centres increased significantly during 2008, while the number of personnel remained the same. To handle this situation more financial resources needed to be allocated to the objective of the improvement of the reception conditions in AP 2009 and 2010, which does not seem to be necessary any more regarding AP 2011. The share of total of financial resources allocated to the objective of the improvement of the reception conditions in the AP 2010 was 38, 68% and in AP 2011 it is only 17,18 %. The demands of the national asylum system shifted the priorities from this objective to the objective of the improvement of integration of beneficiaries of international protection. The share of total of financial resources allocated to the objective on integration was 33,41% in the AP 2010, while it is 59,08% in the AP 2011. Another reason for this shift is that the Asylum Act was again modified. According to these modifications, which entered into force on the 24th December 2010, the rules on the placement of asylum-seekers are changed. As a result of this the number of persons accommodated in receptions centres is expected to decrease significantly. Therefore the capacity building measures (in the framework of a closed selection procedure) are not considered to be necessary any more. The modifications changed also the appeal system. Therefore the extension of a previous action in the AP 2009 on

improving interpretation service technologies, interpretation and translation during the asylum procedure was necessary in the AP 2011. (see Action 1) Compared to AP 2010 we intend to rationalize the actions falling under the objective of integration, therefore we did not cancel but introduced an overall action including three previously separated actions on integration (housing, labour-market integration and complex integration projects). Furthermore as a result of the continuous critics regarding the shortcomings of the measures on the integration of beneficiaries of international protection, a policy decision was made to focus on the improvement of integration measures and to promote the involvement of municipalities in the integration of beneficiaries of international in the framework of a pilot project (see new Action 5). Another significant change is that in the autumn of 2010 a policy decision was made on that Hungary will launch a national resettlement programme in the near future. Therefore the previous actions under the objective of resettlement aiming at convincing the society as well as the decision-makers about the necessity of a national resettlement programme lost their topicality. Now the focus is on the facilitation of the realization of the national resettlement programme in the near future. The lessons learned from the implementation of AP 2010 can not be evaluated at the moment as the implementation of these projects is in the course of 2011. We will be able to assess these experiences in 2012.

2.1. Actions implementing priority 1

2.1.1. Objective 1 – Ensure an effective and fair asylum procedure

Action 1 – Improvement of the asylum procedure

Purpose and scope

Several operations to be supported under this Action are to be seen in the context of the modifications of the Asylum Act, which entered into force on the 24th of December 2010. The modified Act introduced changes into the Hungarian asylum system concerning several elements of the asylum procedure, the placing of asylum seekers, and the appeal system. According to the most significant modifications there is more possibility to keep in detention asylum seekers for the duration of the whole procedure. Therefore the training and sensitivization of police officers is essential. From May 2011 the unaccompanied minor asylum-seekers will be placed in the facilities of the child protection system, this makes it necessary that the workers of the child-protection system recieve relevant training. According to the modifications of the appeal system, the Metropolitan Court has no longer exclusive jurisdiction over asylum cases. The jurisdiction of a judicial body in asylum cases depends on the place of residence of the asylum-seeker. The training of the new judicial staff is also important.

In the above context the scope of the Action may include:

- Professional consultations, workshops or training for asylum experts working at the authorities or in the field of asylum such as: workers of the child-protection system, judges, police officers. The themes of these activities may include legal and other professional questions, as well as intercultural sensitivization.

- Professional consultations, workshops or training on country of origin information for expert working in the field of asylum especially for judges, workers of the child-

protection system, social workers, and asylum desk officers. These activities would focus on those countries or ethnicites which are of outmost relevance on the basis of the number of asylum seekers, especially unaccompanied minor asylum-seekers arriving to Hungary.

- Extension of the system of remote interpretation by using web-camera. In 2010 with the support of ERF this sytem was established. According to the changing of the appeal system from the 24th December 2010, it is necessary to extend the system to work places at the new judicial bodies, who became responsible in asylum cases.

In addition to the above, in order to enhance the efficiency of Dublin transfers, this Action aims to provide for escort of the authorities to the transfer of asylum seekers from another Member State, from four possible border zones (Austrian, Slovak, Slovenian and Budapest airport), to the relevant reception facilities in Hungary, and to provide appropriate conditions for the transferees during the Dublin transfers. If these appropriate conditions (like food, drinking water, medicaments, or assisting staf with necessary expertise) are provided, there is no need for cancelling or postponing a Dublin transfer. Providing escort to these asylum-seekers goes beyond legal obligation under the Dublin agreement (complementarity), contributes to the well-being of the asylum-seeker and reduces significantly the number of abscondings during the incoming Dublin transfers. The Action covers the costs of transportation and escort concerning the transfer of asylum-seekers, including additional fees e.g. by providing food packages, fresh drinking water, medicaments, interpretation service or psychological or medical or social worker's assistance, etc., supplementing the travel fees of the Dublin transfers and ensuring adequate conditions during the transfers

Expected grant recipients:

Public bodies acting in the field of asylum, NGOs, international organisations and also universities for professional consultations, workshops and training.

Office of Immigration and Nationality, judicial bodies, interpretation service provider companies for extension of the system of remote interpretation by using web-camera

Office of Immigration and Nationality, NGOs, interpretation service provider companies, etc. for enhancing the effciciency of Dublin transfers

Expected quantified results

Estimated total number of projects under the Action (all items): 3

Estimated number of projects related to Professional consultations, workshops or training: 1

Estimated total number of experts and others participating in professional consultations, workshops and trainings: 150

Number of new work stations set up at judicial bodies: 5 Number of cases where remote interpretation was used in asylum proceedings: 50

Estimated number of projects enhancing the efficiciency of Dublin transfers: 1 Estimated total number of target group persons transferred: 190

Indicators:

Actual number of projects funded, total and by type (professional consultations, workshops, trainings, extension of the system of remote interpretation, enhancing the efficiciency of Dublin transfers, etc.).

Actual total number of participants in professional consultations or workshops for all projects funded, of which number of asylum experts participating in professional consultations or workshops, number of decision-makers and judges participating in special professional consultations or workshops, number of persons involved in trainings on country of origin information.

Actual number of new work stations set up at judicial bodies and number of cases where remote interpretation was used in asylum proceedings

Actual number of projects funded enhancing the efficiciency of Dublin transfers and total number of target group persons transferred

Visibility of EC funding:

In the guidelines for the call the Responsible Authority stipulated that all grant recipients had the obligation to ensure visibility of co-financing from EC funding when implementing their projects. Grant recipients have to indicate in their grant applications how they will fulfil this obligation. The concrete forms of ensuring visibility of EC funding are to be determined in the grant agreements and in the Corporate Identity Manual. As defined by the Responsible Authority actions or measures of visibility of EC funding may include: informing all projects beneficiaries of European Refugee Fund co-financing, placing the EU and ERF logo on all equipment purchased for the project, placing the EU logo and indication of European Refugee Fund co-financing on all relevant publicity materials, leaflets, letterhead, PR work, placing the EU logo and indication of European Refugee Fund co-financing on grant recipients' premises (e.g. on office walls, entrances, etc.), T-shirts, mugs, calendars with ERF logo, flags, posters, placards popularizing the European Refugee Fund.

Community contribution	А	117 857,15	75%
Public Allocation	В	39 285,72	25%
Private Allocation	С		
TOTAL	A+B+C	157 142,87	100%

Financial information: Community contribution is 75% and 25% is co-financing.

Complementarities with similar actions financed by other EC instruments: See item 1.2

Action 2 - Actions related to ensure access to legal aid and to provide quality legal aid

According to the Asylum Act a person applying for recognition shall be given the opportunity to use legal aid at his/her own expense or, if in need, free of charge as set forth in the Act on Legal Assistance, or to accept the free legal aid of a registered non-governmental organisation engaged in legal protection. In withdrawal procedures, where refugee status or subsidiary protection status can be revoked on determined grounds, the same rules and procedural guarantees apply as in the recognition procedure. The

activities of legal aid can be divided into two categories: legal counselling (giving information on relevant right/obligations, regulations, giving legal advice, preparing applications, appeals, complaints, other written statements etc.) and legal representation (represent the client before an authority, court etc.). The practical experiences show that there is a real need for free legal aid as in most of the cases those third country nationals who are in need of international protection arrive to Hungary without documents, money and are often traumatized. They have to adapt themselves to the rules and order of a country they do not know.

The scope of the activity may include:

- Ensuring free and quality legal counselling and legal representation for asylumseekers and refugees or beneficiaries of subsidiary protection in the asylum proceedings meaning in the administrative and judicial phase of the asylum procedure as well.

Expected grant recipients: Public body, NGOs or international organisations employing advocates, counsellors-at-law, law firms, advocates

Expected quantified results

Estimated total number of projects: 1

Estimated total number of target group persons receiving legal counselling and/or legal representation: 400

Indicators:

Actual number of projects funded, total and by type (legal counselling, legal representation)

Actual total number of benefitting target group persons, of which legal counselling, legal representation

Visibility of EC funding:

The provisions on visibility of EU funding under Action 1 are applicable to this Action as well.

financial information: Community contribution is 75% and 25% is co-financing.

Community contribution	А	93 750,00	75%
Public Allocation	В	31 250,00	25%
Private Allocation	С		
TOTAL	A+B+C	125 000,00	100%

complementarities with similar actions financed by other EC instruments: See item 1.2

2.1.2. Objective 2 – Improvement of the reception conditions Action 3 – Provision of additional services to improve reception conditions

Purpose and scope

The purpose of this Action is to ensure quality reception conditions by additional services for those asylum-seekers who are accommodated in reception centres, child-protection facilities or placed in detention during the preliminary assessment or detailed assessment phase of the asylum procedure. Another purpose is to prevent undermined self-reliance of asylum-seekers at the facilities they are accommodated.

The scope of the **Action** may include:

- Organizing activities i.a. to decrease the level of hospitalization of the asylum-seekers, e.g.: sport activities, leisure, or training activities for example enhancing intercultural competencies, handicraft sessions or voluntary work within the facilities of placement etc.

- Providing language assistance to asylum seekers in the form of interpretation services for their every day life, in communication with the social workers, staff of health care services, case workers or with each other.

- Improving social work (quality social counselling and social case work) by skilled social workers, e.g. through the the enlargement of the consulting hours, thereby enhancing the sense of comfort and security, reducing conflicts and violent behaviour, etc.

<u>Expected grant recipients</u>: Facilities where asylum seekers are placed (Reception Centres of the Office of Immigration and Nationality, detention or child-protection facilities), NGOs, local governments, churches, schools, teachers, educators, foundations, service provider companies. Interpretation service provider companies may apply to the open call for proposals to provide language assistance at facilities of placement of asylum seekers.

Expected quantified results

Estimated total number of projects: 3

Estimated total number of asylum seekers benefitting from the additional services provided under the Action: 300

Indicators:

Actual number of projects funded, total and by type (activities i.a. to decrease the level of hospitalization, language assistance, social work)

Actual number of asylum seekers benefitting from the additional services, total and by type

Visibility of EC funding:

The provisions on visibility of EU funding under Action 1 are applicable to this Action as well.

Community contribution	А	80 357,15	75%
Public Allocation	В	26 785,72	25%
Private Allocation	С		
TOTAL	A+B+C	107 142,87	100%

Financial information: Community contribution is 75% and 25% is co-financing.

complementarities with similar actions financed by other EC instruments: See item 1.2

Action 4 - Actions to improve the reception conditions of persons requiring special treatment

Purpose and scope

The purpose of this Action is to improve the special reception conditions provided at facilities of placement for those asylum-seekers who are considered to be persons requiring special treatment especially for unaccompanied minors and traumatized persons. It thereby falls under Specific Priority 1 of Priority 1.

The scope of the action may include:

- Ensuring special, additional services appropriate for their needs of unaccompanied minors, consistent with their vulnerability, at their place of accommodation.

- Providing in facilities of placement of asylum-seekers appropriate medical and psychological attendance for traumatized asylum-seekers or those suffering from Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder syndrome, including their identification, with the involment of interpretors. Furthermore these activities may include giving medical opinion in the asylum procedure used as a tool for evidence in order to confirm asylum-seekers being victims of torture.

- Improving the quality of boarding by supplementary meals and menus meeting special dietary requirements to persons requiring special treatment over and above resources made available by law;

<u>Expected grant recipients:</u> Facilities where asylum seekers are placed (Reception Centres of the Office of Immigration and Nationality, detention or child-protection facilities), NGOs, local governments, churches, foundations, service provider companies.

Expected quantified results

Estimated total number of projects: 2

Estimated total number of asylum seekers requiring special treatment benefitting from the services provided under the Action: 300

Indicators:

Actual number of projects funded, total and by type (unaccompanied minors, medical and psychological attendance, improving the quality of boarding)

Actual number of asylum seekers benefitting from the additional services, total and by type

Visibility of EC funding:

The provisions on visibility of EU funding under Action 1 are applicable to this Action as well.

financial information: Community contribution is 75% and 25% is co-financing.

Community contribution	А	133 928,57	75%
Public Allocation	В	44 642,86	25%
Private Allocation	С		
TOTAL	A+B+C	178 571,43	100%

complementarities with similar actions financed by other EC instruments: See item 1.2

2.1.3 Objective 3 – Integration of recognized refugees and beneficiaries of subsidiary protection

Action 5 – Complex pilot projects of municipalities for the enhancement of integration of refugees and beneficiaries of subsidiary protection into the Hungarian society

Purpose and scope

This action aims at involving municipalities into the integration of refugees and beneficiaries of subsidiary protection into the Hungarian society by complex pilot projects, which contain measures additional to those of the municipalities stipulated by the national legislation. These would be pilot projects as till date municipalities has not been involved in integration measures. The experiences of these pilot projects could contribute to the improvement of the national system for integration of beneficiaries of intenational protection. These being pilot projects would have a smaller target group as a start. The complexity of these projects means that they would include several components building on each other in order to best enhance the integration of refugees and beneficiaries of subsidiary protection into the Hungarian society.

The scope of such complex pilot projects may include:

- Ensuring housing to target group.
- Ensuring maintenance tools (catering, clothing, furniture etc.) to target group.
- Ensuring continuous mentoring activity tailored to the needs of the target group
- Ensuring professional, inter-cultural, language and other trainings to the target group.
- Ensuring services facilitating access to the labour market.

Expected grant recipients: local governments perhaps in partnership with NGOs, churches, schools etc.

Expected quantified results

Estimated total number of projects: 2 Estimated total number of municipalities involved: 2 Estimated total number of refugees or beneficiaries of subsidiary protection offered special, tailor-made integration project under the Action: 8 (provisional, due to the pilot nature of this Action)

Indicators:

Actual number of projects funded

Actual number of municipalities involved

Actual number of refugees or beneficiaries of subsidiary protection offered special, tailor-made integration project

Visibility of EC funding:

The provisions on visibility of EU funding under Action 1 are applicable to this Action as well.

financial information: Community contribution is 75% and 25% is co-financing.

Community contribution	А	120 535,72	75%
Public Allocation	В	40 178,57	25%
Private Allocation	С		
TOTAL	A+B+C	160 714,29	100%

complementarities with similar actions financed by other EC instruments: See item 1.2

Action 6 – Tailor-made complex or special, programs designed for the improvement of integration of beneficiaries of international protection into the Hungarian society

Purpose and scope

All of these actions aim to improve the integration of refugees and subsidiary protected persons into the Hungarian society through tailor-made, either specialized or complex projects which can serve as an useful tool for promoting self-empowerment, supporting acquisition of skills by target groups in order to enable them to provide for themselves and to become an active member of the Hungarian society. Concerning these complex or specialized programmes the stress is on them being tailor-made, therefore these programmes may enhance the efficiency of different integration programmes.

The scope of this action may include:

- Measures focusing on the education, vocational training or school integration of beneficiaries of international protection.

- Measures ensuring housing to beneficiaries of international protection.

- Measures ensuring social work tailored to the needs of the beneficiaries of international protection.

- Measures ensuring services facilitating the access to the labor market of beneficiaries of international protection.

- Training or awareness raising activities in order to educate and sensitise the host society (municipalities, child protection system, schools, labour offices, NGOs, volunteers etc.).

- Measure to improve language skills of beneficiaries of international protection.

Expected grant recipients: NGOs, local authorities, public bodies, schools, churches, etc.

Expected quantified results

Estimated total number of projects: 5

Estimated total number of beneficiaries of international protection benefitting from the Action: 150

Indicators:

Actual number of projects funded, total and by type of activities (same as under 'scope')

Actual number of beneficiaries of international protection benefitting from the Action, total and by type of activities (same as under 'scope')

Visibility of EC funding:

The provisions on visibility of EU funding under Action 1 are applicable to this Action as well.

financial information: Community contribution is 75% and 25% is co-financing.

Community contribution	А	482 532,02	75%
Public Allocation	В	160 844,01	25%
Private Allocation	С		
TOTAL	A+B+C	643376,03	100%

complementarities with similar actions financed by other EC instruments: See item 1.2

Action 7 - Integration of persons requiring special treatment

Purpose and scope

The purpose of this Action is to improve the integration of persons requiring special treatment. According to the legal definition a person requiring special treatment is a vulnerable person, in particular, a minor, unaccompanied minor, elderly or disabled person, pregnant woman, single parent raising a minor child and a person who has undergone torture, rape or any other grave form of psychological, physical or sexual violence and has special needs because of his/her individual situation. It thereby falls under Specific Priority 1 of Priority 1.

The scope of this action may include:

- Providing medical and psychological attendance for beneficiaries of international protection who are traumatized or suffer from PTSD syndrome in order to identify traumatized refugees and beneficiaries of subsidiary protection and refugees and beneficiaries of subsidiary protection with PTSD syndrome (Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder), to provide them medical and psychological care appropriate to their special conditions in particular direct psychiatric/psychological attendance and supporting medical attendance to cure the somatic effects of torture (dental care, orthopaedics).

<u>Expected grant recipients:</u> public bodies, NGOs, local governments, churches, foundations, service provider companies

Expected quantified results

Estimated total number of projects: 1

Estimated total number of beneficiaries of international protection receiving special medical and psychological attendance: 120

Indicators:

Actual number of projects funded

Actual number of beneficiaries of international protection receiving special medical and psychological attendance

Visibility of EC funding:

The provisions on visibility of EU funding under Action 1 are applicable to this Action as well.

Financial information: Community contribution is 75% and 25% is co-financing.

Community contribution	А	133 928,57	75%
Public Allocation	В	44 642,86	25%
Private Allocation	С		
TOTAL	A+B+C	178 571,43	100%

complementarities with similar actions financed by other EC instruments: See item 1.2

2.2 Actions implementing priority 2

2.2.1 Objective 4 – Enhancement of the ability of the Republic of Hungary to develop and improve its asylum policy

Action 8 – Studies, researches, or methodologies contributing to the improvement of the Hungarian asylum policy

Purpose and scope

The purpose of this action is the preparation of studies, researches or methodologies on the operation of asylum institutions, organizations the whole asylum system, and best practices, furthermore the sharing of those experiences with the public (professional and non-professional) with the aim of applying the results in everyday practice and with **a view to improving the quality of the Hungarian asylum system.**

The scope of this action may include:

- Preparation of studies, researches or methodologies on the use of country of origin information, system or policies for integration of beneficiaries of international protection, or best practices on age assessment of unaccompanied minors, with a view to improving the quality of the Hungarian asylum system.

Expected grant recipients: public bodies, NGOs, local governments, foundations

Expected quantified results

Estimated total number of projects: 1

Indicators:

Actual number of projects funded, total and by topics

Visibility of EC funding:

The provisions on visibility of EU funding under Action 1 are applicable to this Action as well.

Financial information: Community contribution is 75% and 25% is co-financing.

Community contribution	А	16 071,43	75%
Public Allocation	В	5 357,14	25%
Private Allocation	С		
TOTAL	A+B+C	21 428,57	100%

complementarities with similar actions financed by other EC instruments: See item 1.2

2.3 Actions implementing priority 3

2.3.1 Objective 5 – Preparation of a resettlement program

Action 9 - Enhancement the implementation of the national resettlement programme

Purpose and scope

In the autumn of 2010 a governmental decision was made on that Hungary will launch a national resettlement programme. The legal basis for this already exists in the national legislation. In 2011 the preparatory work takes place, our initial aim is to resettle 10-20 refugees. The aim of this action is to contribute to the implementation of the national resettlement programme. Integrated part of the Hungarian governmental strategy is to support initiatives that serves enhancement of solidarity mechanisms in inter or intra EU dimension together with burden sharing. Beyond this a separate Article of the Asylum Act refers to the possibility of resettlement as one of the major target of solidarity. On the basis of the lessons learnt in observer missions of recent years and resettlement program on its merit in 2013. The quota per capita granted by the Commission would be used for supporting the integration program of the final beneficiaries in 2013, but the selection mission prior is aimed to be subjected to a separate initiative in the year before.

The scope of this action may include:

- Implementing one selection mission to a third country where appropriate refugees are standing and who are eligible for being subjected to the national resettlement program.

<u>Expected grant recipients:</u> Public bodies may apply to the open call for proposals to carry out projects contributing to the launch of the national resettlement programme.

Expected quantified results and indicators to be used:

One selection mission to a third country

Number of refugees found to be eligible for resettlement in the framework of the national resettlement programme: at least 10

visibility of EC funding:

The provisions on visibility of EU funding under Action 1 are applicable to this Action as well.

financial information: Community contribution is 75% and 25% is co-financing.

Community contribution	А	8 035,72	75%
Public Allocation	В	2 678,57	25%
Private Allocation	С		
TOTAL	A+B+C	10 714,29	100%

complementarities with similar actions financed by other EC instruments: N/A

3. TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

3.1 Purpose of the technical assistance

The amount set aside for technical assistance under the Hungarian Annual Programme 2011 for the European Refugee Fund will be spent on the programming, management, monitoring, evaluation, information and control activities of the authorities designated for the European Refugee Fund, with the exception of the Audit Authority:

- The Ministry of Interior as *Responsible Authority* and its separate units: the Department of EU Cooperation as *Professional Consultative Body*, Members of the Department of Support-Coordination and one member of the Department of Financial Resource-management as *Management Team*,
- Members of the Cabinet of Minister of Interior as *Certifying Authority*,
- The Deputy State Secretary for EU and International Relations as *Responsible Person*.

The Ministry of Interior is also responsible for three other Funds, namely the European **Integration** Fund, the European Return Fund and the External Borders Fund. The activities of the designated authorities/units will be financed proportionally from the four Funds,

according to the rate of amount available for technical assistance from each Fund compared to the total allocation for technical assistance from the four Funds.

The **Management Team** for the four Funds is the same and at present it is made up from the following teams:

- 3 persons are responsible for project management, and while each of them is responsible for one Fund, their work is done in teams. The wages of 1 person is paid from the budget of the Ministry of Interior, while the wages of 2 persons are paid from the technical assistance of the European Refugee Fund, the European Return Fund and the European Integration Fund, proportionately.
- 4 persons are responsible for financial management. Of them, the wages of two persons are paid from the budget of the Ministry of Interior, while the wages of the other two persons are paid from the technical assistance of the four Funds, proportionately.
- 6 persons are responsible for the supervision of the projects; among them four persons are responsible for financial questions while two others are responsible for professional questions. Their wages are paid from the technical assistance of the European Refugee Fund, the European Return Fund and the European Integration Fund, proportionately.
- One person is responsible for the administrative tasks of the Management Team, her wages are paid from the technical assistance of the four Funds, proportionately.

For the European Refugee Fund, the European Return Fund and the European Integration Fund there are three **Professional Consultative Bodies**, one for each Fund. They are composed of 2 persons per Fund and the head of the Professional Consultative Body, who is the same person for all three Funds. Of these persons the wages of two persons are financed from the technical assistance of the European Refugee Fund, the European Return Fund and the Integration Fund, proportionately.

At present the **Certifying Authority** consists of three persons who are responsible for the tasks related to all four Funds. Their wages are financed from the technical assistance of the four Funds proportionately.

The resources for technical assistance will also be spent on the reinforcement of the administrative capacity for the implementation of the ERF.

The actions financed by technical assistance will include:

- 1. supporting the implementation of the tasks of the designated authorities by the maintenance of an IT system for the monitoring and management duties;
- 2. covering costs of communication between the Commission and the Responsible Authority and the Responsible Authority and the final beneficiaries and expenses of the Responsible Authority such as travel and interpretation expenses;
- 3. covering costs related to the preparation and implementation of the evaluation report to be submitted to the Commission in 2012, including recourse to an external evaluation capacity;
- 4. supporting the operation of the Responsible and the Certifying Authority when implementing the Hungarian Annual Programme 2011 of the European Refugee Fund;
- 5. ensuring trainings for the possible partners in order to help them to make appropriate project proposals and also to implement the projects under the ERF;

- 6. ensuring the visibility of co-financing in accordance with the communication plan that was adopted in order to ensure visibility as defined in Article 33 (2) (a) of the Implementing Rules;
- 7. The annual information activity provided for by Article 33 (2) a IR includes an open-day of the four Funds to which the beneficiaries, CA, AA and other authorities, institutions and organisations (e.g. ministries, universities), the representatives of the media are invited. The event is open for the general public. Besides the general introduction of the four Funds, the final beneficiaries can introduce their projects, the achievements can be communicated, the results can be disseminated. Visitors can get a broader view on the Funds. We plan to hold a press conference as well.

This annual information activity is planned in September or October 2011.

- 8. An annual kick-off event related to the actual annual programme, held at the beginning of the year (probably in February) with about 100-120 participants (the Final Beneficiaries, the Certifying Authority, the Audit Authority). On this event the Responsible Authority informs the participants by holding presentations e.g. on MAP, AP, the eligibility criteria, IT system for the monitoring and management, reporting, identity manual, discussing problems, previous experiences etc.
- 9. One or two closing workshop(s) according to the timing of the closure of the projects. These events are organised for about 80 participants (e.g. the Final Beneficiaries, the Certifying Authority, the Audit Authority, the representatives of other Hungarian authorities). The Responsible Authority holds presentations to help the Final Beneficiaries to compile their final reports.

	Financial	information:
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FINANCING OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE (all figures in Euro)					
Community contribution	Public Allocation	Total	%EC	Share of total	
80 708,18	0	80 708,18	100%	4,85%	

Community contribution to technical assistance would be 100% which is 80.708,18 Euros. This amount equals to 4,85% of the total allocation.

Public procurements funded from the Technical Assistance will comply with the applicable national rules for public procurement procedures.

3.2 Visibility of EC funding

Funding from European Refugee Fund must be made clearly visible for any activity linked to the actions and financed under the annual programme. Ways to ensure visibility include:

- The call for proposals, the evaluation of proposals, the supported and implemented projects will be published on the website of the four Funds (<u>www.solidalapok.hu</u>).

- All project beneficiaries will be informed on the co-financing of the European Refugee Fund.

- The emblem of the EU and the European Refugee Fund logo will be placed on all equipment – except for the cases when the size and usage of the certain equipment does not allow to do so – purchased for the projects.

- The EU logo and indication of European Refugee Fund co-financing will be placed on all relevant publicity materials, leaflets, publications, letterhead, conference packages, decoration etc.

- The audience will be informed of European Refugee Fund co-financing when projects are mentioned at seminars or conference.

		Annual pr	ogramme 2011 -	draft financial p	lan			
			Table 1 - Overv	iew table				
Member state: Hungary								
Annual programme concerned: 2011								
Fund: European Refugee Fund								
(all figures in EUR)	Ref. priority	Ref. specific priority (1)	Community contribution (a)	Public allocation (b)	Private allocation(c)	Total (d=a+b+c)	% EC (e=a/d)	Share of total (d/ total d)
Action 1: Improvement of the asylum procedure	1		117.857,15	39.285,72		157.142,87	75%	9,45%
Action 2 - Actions related to ensure access to legal aid and to provide quality legal aid	1		93 750,00	31250,00		125000,00	75%	7,51%
Action 3 – Provision of additional services to improve reception conditions	1		80357,15	26785,72		107142,87	75%	6,44%
Action 4 - Actions to improve the reception conditions of persons requiring special treatment	1	1	133928,57	44642,86		178571,43	75%	10,74%
Action 5 – Complex pilot projects of municipalities for the enhancement of integration of refugees and beneficiaries of subsidiary protection into the								
Hungarian society	1		120535,72	40178,57		160714,29	75%	9,66%
Action 6 – Tailor-made complex or special, programs designed for the improvement of integration of								
beneficiaries of international protection into the Hungarian society	1		482532,02	160844,01		643376,03	75%	38,68%
Action 7 - Integration of persons requiring special treatment	1	1	133928,57	44642,86		178571,43	75%	10,74%

Action 8 – Studies, researches, or methodologies contributing to the							
improvement of the Hungarian asylum							
policy	2	16071,43	5357,14		21428,57	75%	1,29%
Action 9 - Enhancement of the							
implementation of the national							
resettlement programme	3	8035,72	2678,57		10714,29	75%	0,64%
Technical assistance		80 708,18	0,00		80708,18	100 %	4,85%
Total:		1 267 704,51	395 665,45	0,00	1 663 369,96	76,21%	100,00%

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