

PROGRAMME I : LOCAL DEVELOPMENT & POVERTY REDUCTION

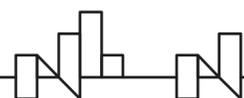
PROGRAMME II : ASYLUM & MIGRATION

Athens, 13 November 2024

# Programme I – Local Development & Poverty Reduction

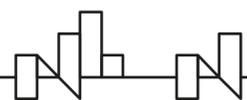
## Pre-defined Projects

- Athens Solidarity Center
- European Wergeland Center
- Athens Development & Destination Management Agency, Municipality of Athens



# Timeframe of the projects Program I

LOCAL DEVELOPMENT & POVERTY REDUCTION	
SOLIDARITY NOW	Completed three rounds of funding pending FP
THE EUROPEAN WERGELAND CENTRE	Completed
Municipality of Athens ADDMA	Completed pending FP



# Programme II – Asylum & Migration

## Pre-defined Projects

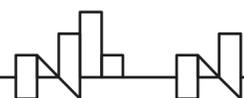
- NORCAP
- UNHCR
- IOM

## Open Call Projects

- IRC
- MDM
- SMAN
- ARSIS
- METAdrasi

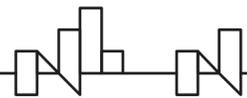


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SOCIETY FOR THE CARE OF MINORS AND YOUTH



# Timeframe of the projects Program II

PROJECTS' IMPLEMENTATION PERIOD	
ORGANIZATIONS	CURRENT STATUS
UNHCR	Completed
IOM	Completed
MDM	Completed
ARSIS	Completed
SMAN	Completed
IRC	Completed
METADRASI	Completed
NORCAP/NRC	Completed



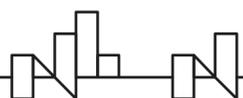
# Key information about the granted Projects

- Five (5) projects related to the accommodation and services provided to Unaccompanied Minors asylum seekers & vulnerable women asylum seekers (**OPEN CALL**)
- One (1) project related to the Capacity Development for dignified reception and protection of the rights of migrants and asylum seekers (**NORCAP**)
- One (1) project related to the Quality assurance of asylum procedures & free legal aid to vulnerable asylum seekers (**UNHCR**)
- One (1) project the provision of voluntary return and reintegration assistance to migrants wishing to return to their country of origin (**IOM**)
- One (1) project related to the inclusion of Refugee Children in Greek Schools (**EWC**)
- One (1) project related to the increase of opportunities for social inclusion for the vulnerable population (**SolidarityNow**)
- One (1) project related to the reintegration of the unemployed into the labour market and the empowerment of businesses in Athens (**ADDMA**)



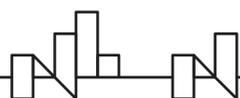
# Challenges

- **The Covid-19 pandemic (restriction of movement/lockdown, suspension of the asylum service & public services)**
- **Unwillingness of apartment owners to collaborate with NGOs (SILs & WILs)**
- **Limited flow of referrals from competent authorities due to reduced asylum-seeking population inflows (2020-2021)**
- **Lack of adequate options for 18+ beneficiaries**
- **Regional wars RUUK and ME**
- **Migration flows reduction (UNHCR data)**
- **2019 59.613**
- **2020 9.232**
- **2021 4.098**
- **2022 12.656**
- **2023 41.998**
- **2024 50.244**





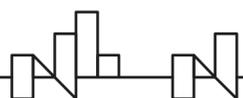
- **Invest in building relationships with the Project Promoters**
- **Training for capacity building with PPs especially on RBM**
- **Adapting to changes in the external context**
- **Close cooperation with FMO, UDI and Cooperation Committee (flexibility added 7% avg occupancy)**
- **Insert sustainability in contracting**
- **It is technically possible to avoid double funding but good to avoid also optics with similar funding to same PP**
- **Build a network of journalists and stakeholders and keeping them engaged with newsletters and social media**
- **Without SM u are dead!**
- **Start the external evaluation early – final report Jan '25**
- **Many mixed communication messages different PPs**
- **Transparency: FO and PPs to publish audit reports and governance**
- **Persistent challenges since 2015 – 37% beneficiaries no bank a/c**
- **80% focused on employment – most difficult barrier language**
- **Smaller gap between funding periods (especially important for pre-defined)**
- **Next funding period proposal for “pay as your perform” and more flexible eligibility expenses**



# Bilateral Initiatives: an overview

## Programme I

- “**Classrooms against Bullying – CAB**”: Exchange of knowledge and best practices to prevent discrimination, bullying and violence in schools, while enabling the inclusion of all children in the education system, is a collaboration between **NGO SolidarityNow (SN)** & the Norwegian resource center **European Wergeland Centre (EWC)**, aims to cement a bilateral partnership for the promotion of safe and inclusive schools in Greece.



# PARTNERS OF BILATERAL



📍 BERGEN  
University of Bergen

📍 OSLO  
Hero Norge  
Dråpen i Havet (Drop in the Ocean)  
European Wergeland Center

📍 NORDSTRAND  
Oslo Municipality  
Nordstrand  
Oslo Met

## Asylum and Migration Programme

Total amount: €125,000  
Contracted amount: €120,000



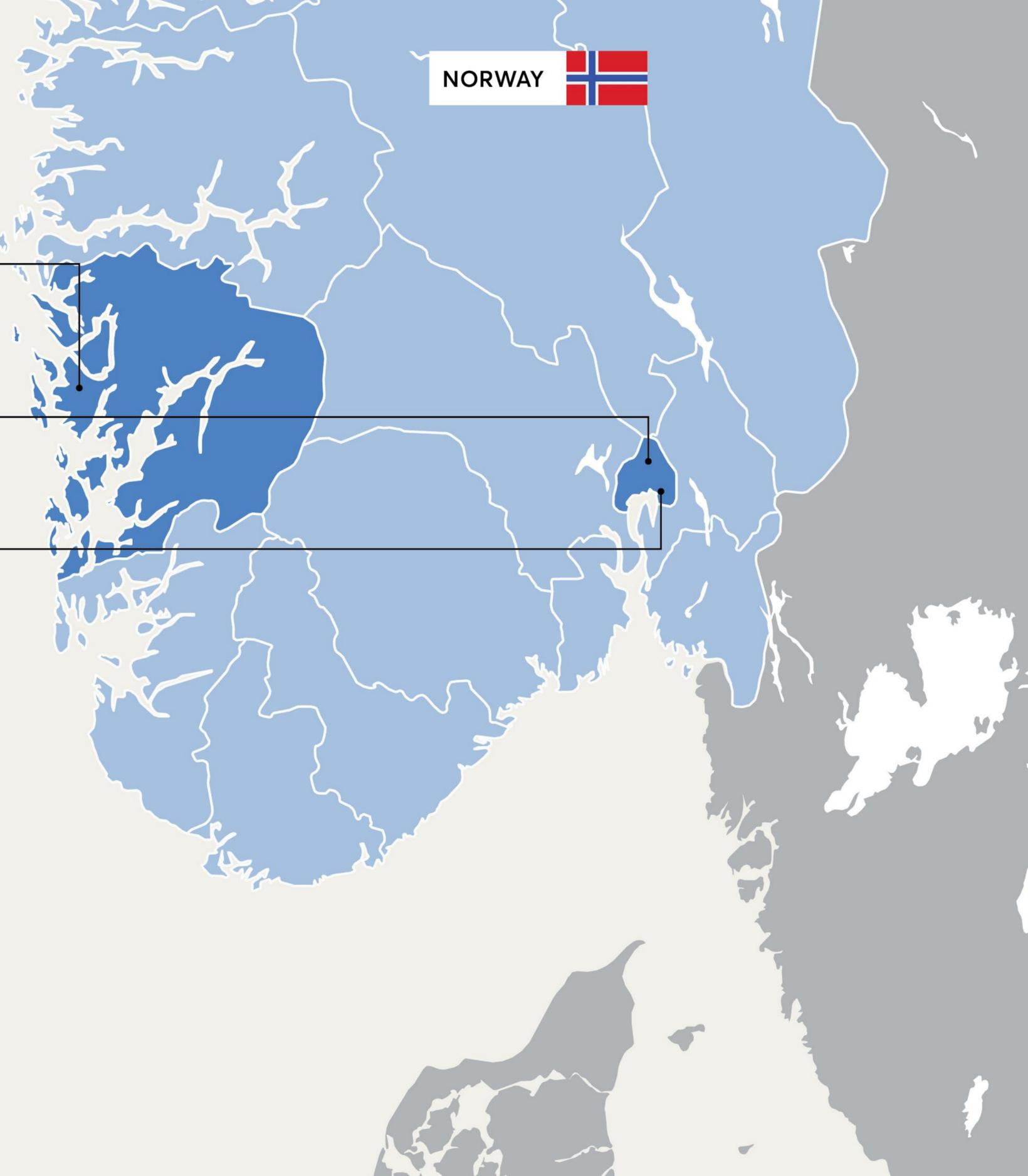
Total number of bilateral initiatives: 8

## Local Development and Poverty Reduction

Total amount: €50,000  
Contracted amount: €50,000



Total number of bilateral initiatives: 1

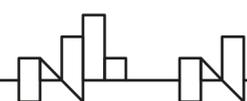


# Programme II

- The evaluation process of the Bilateral Call, which was published on January 11<sup>th</sup> 2023 with final date of completion Dec 31, 2024, led to the selection of seven projects, while two projects were on the reserve list

Selected Organizations
MdM-GR/Hero Norway
Kindergarten of Athens/Oslo Municipality/Nordstrand/Oslo Met
Solidarity Now/DiH
IOM-GR/Hero Norway
DiH/One Happy Family
Intersos-GR/University of Bergen
Velos Youth/Y Youth (Withdrew)

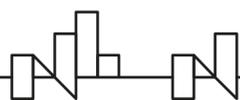
Applicants – Reserve list
Praksis/Culture Breaks Borders/Global Girl Media (Contracted)
Monokyklio/Acting for climate
People Living with HIV-GR/HIV Norway/NorsensusMediaforum



# Bilateral Activity UDI & FO at Oslo



- **Presentation of the reception/accommodation structure in Norway with focus on UAM accommodation centers & introduction to the National Arrival center**
- **Methods and techniques regarding the quality monitoring reception centers in Norway with focus on UAM**
- **Presentation of the work with case management UAM**
- **Visiting the National Arrival & an accommodation center for UAM in Ormen & Porsgrunn**



# Key statistics & accomplishments

## Programme I & II



# GENERAL STATISTICS

“Asylum and Migration” Programme  
“Local Development and Poverty Reduction” Programme

 **18,048**

Beneficiaries who were totally assisted from both Programmes

 **445**

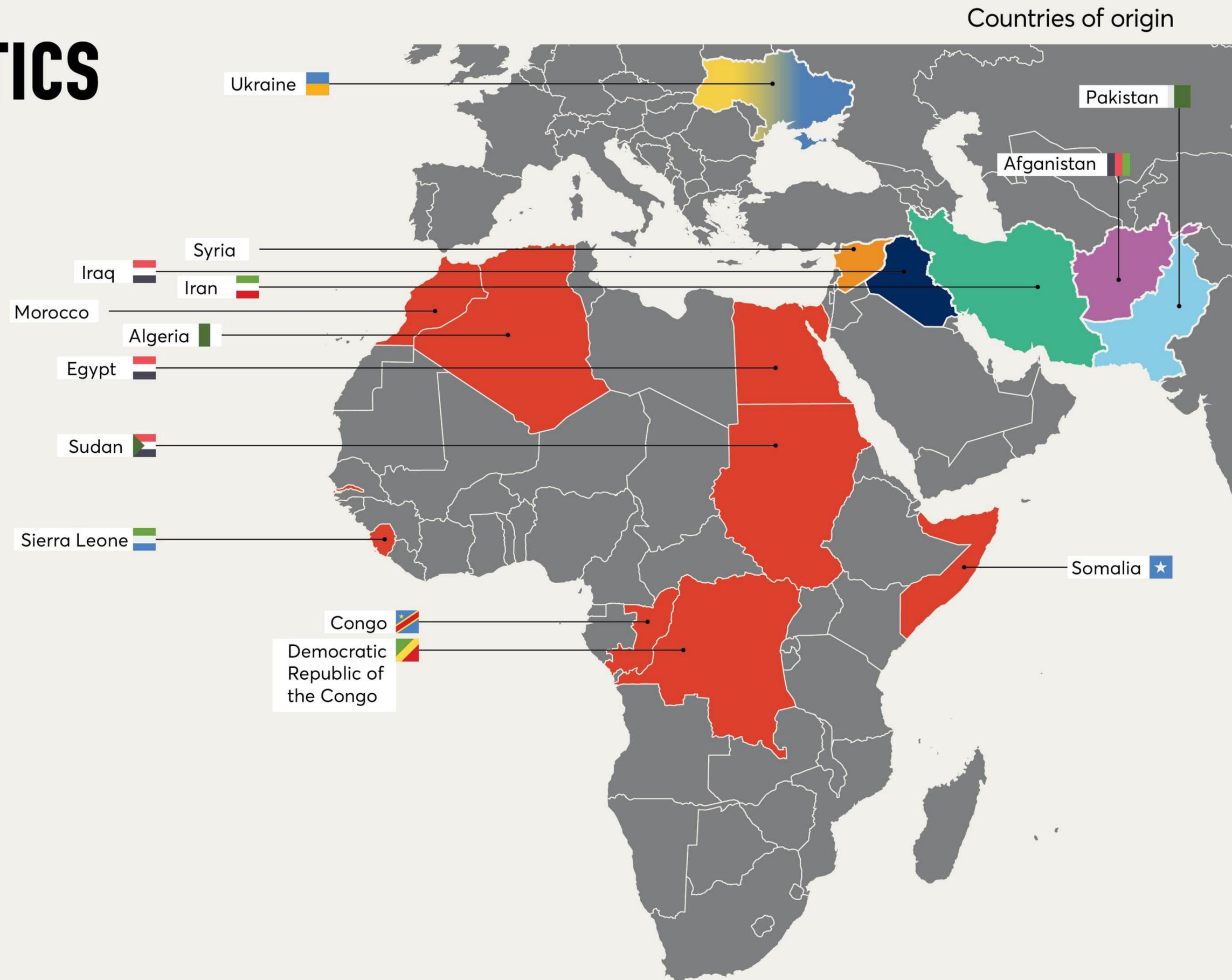
Unaccompanied Minors (UAMs) mainly asylum seekers, hosted in the accommodation scheme.

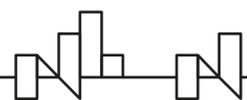
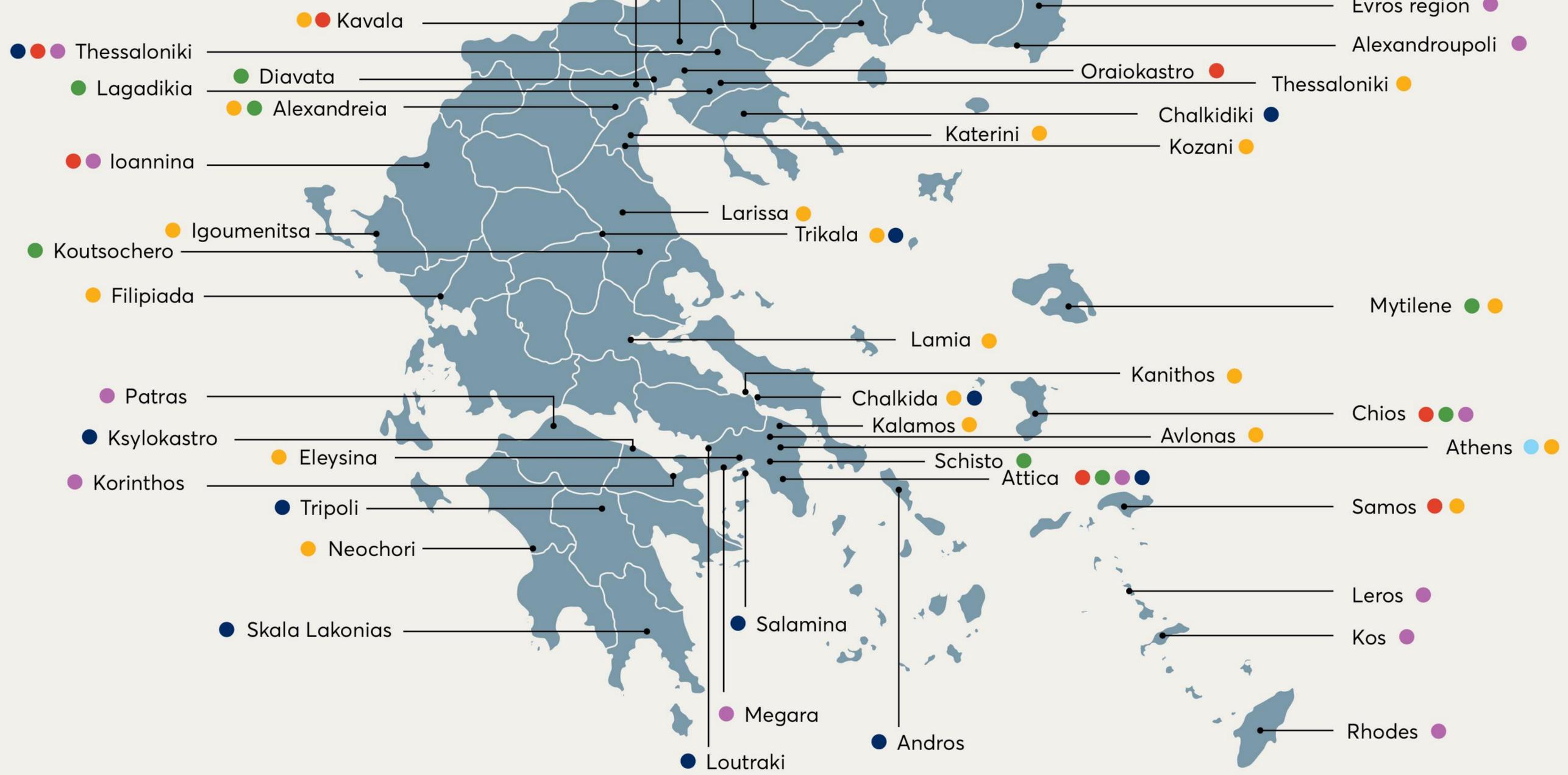
 **289**

Other vulnerable groups (single women pregnant or with their children) mainly asylum seekers, hosted in the accommodation scheme.

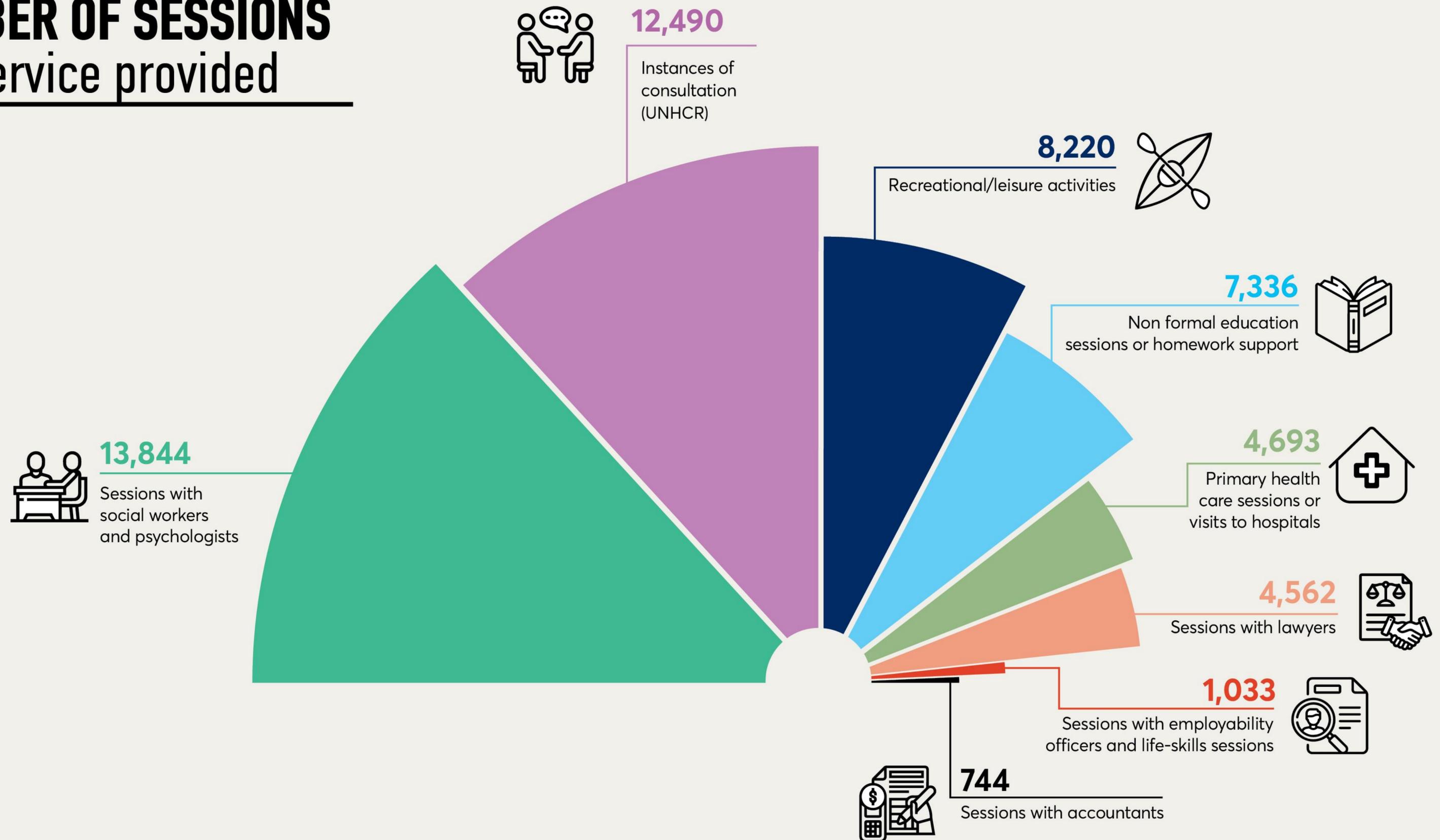
 **36**

Ukrainian women accommodated & benefited





# NUMBER OF SESSIONS per service provided



# INDICATIVE OUTCOMES / ACCOMPLISHMENTS

NUMBER OF ACCOMMODATION PLACES PROVIDED IN OPEN RECEPTION CENTRES

139

**THE NEW ACCOMMODATION PLACES** reserved for UAMs



215

**ACCOMMODATION PLACES** provided in open reception centres



41

**LAWYERS** that have been involved in the free legal aid component (UNHCR)



7,415

**BENEFICIARIES** of legal aid services (UNHCR)

27

**OPEN RECEPTION CENTRES** where the NGOs (SMAN, ARSIS, ΜΕΤΑΔΡΑΣΗ, IRC, MDM) and public entities formally and informally cooperate (Memorandum of Understanding or common activities implemented)



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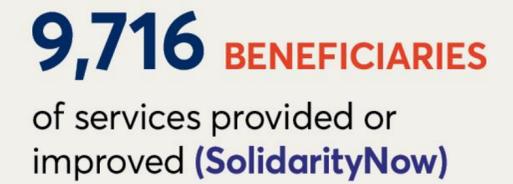
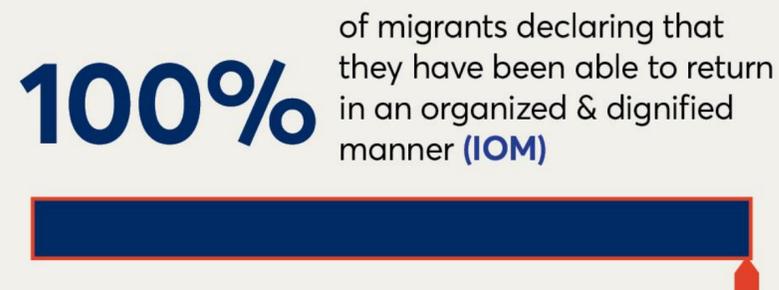
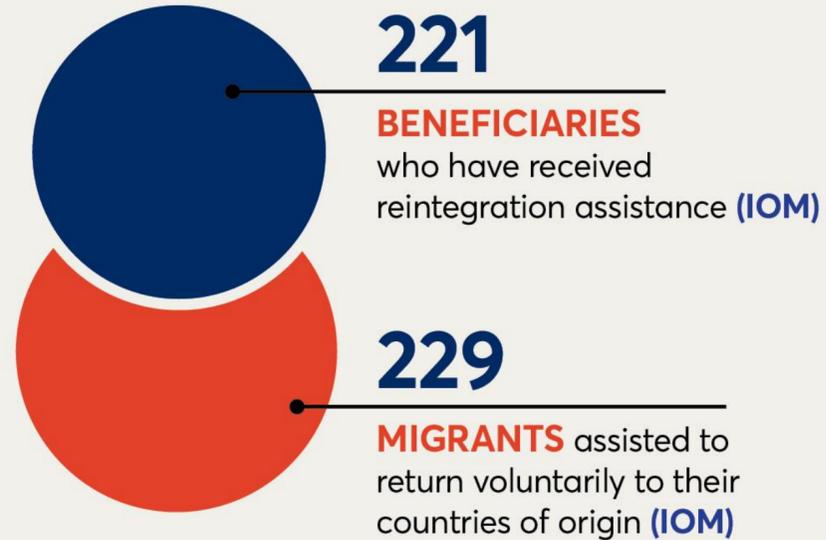
**DECENTRALIZED SITES** operated by Reception and Identification Service (RIS) that implement national standard operating procedures (SOPs) for reception centres (NORCAP)



12,490

**INSTANCES** of consultation (UNCHR)

# INDICATIVE OUTCOMES / ACCOMPLISHMENTS



# Financial performance

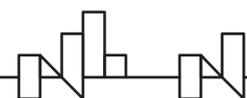


# Local Development Poverty Reduction

## Financials

Programme Short Name	Outcome	Outcome/Project Title	Project Promoter	Status	Grant	Disbursed to Projects - up to now
GR - LOCALDEV	Total Programme Sum				6.767.675 €	4.735.219 €
	Outcome 1	Integration of refugee children in Greek schools improved	EWC	completed	1.500.000 €	1.485.615 €
	Outcome 2	Increased opportunities for integration and social inclusion for vulnerable individuals	Solidarity NOW	completed	2.000.000 €	1.998.330 €
			Solidarity NOW	completed	450.000 €	449.939 €
			Solidarity NOW	in progress	349.675 €	60.935 €
Outcome 3	Re-integration of unemployed	MoA	in progress	2.468.000 €	740.400 €	

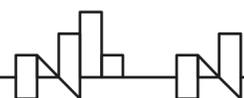
70%



# Asylum Migration

## Financials

Programme Short Name	Outcome	Outcome/Project Title	Project Promoter	Status	Grant	Disbursed to Projects - up to now	Column1
HOME AFFAIRS	<b>Total Programme Sum</b>				<b>15.132.000 €</b>	<b>14.800.729 €</b>	<b>97,8%</b>
	<b>Outcome 1</b>	<b>Improved quality accommodation and other services provided in open reception centres</b>	<b>OPEN CALL</b>		<b>7.632.000 €</b>	<b>7.403.686 €</b>	
		FUTURA - Fostering the Transition of Unaccompanied Children to Adulthood	IRC	completed	1.722.661 €	1.702.551 €	
		Diaplus	ARSIS	completed	1.615.058 €	1.593.535 €	
		A Step Forward - Accommodation Facility for Women Asylum Seekers at Risk and for Mothers with their Children	MDM	completed	994.875 €	985.544 €	
		HOUSE 2	SMAN	completed	1.074.903 €	1.055.796 €	
		Transit Accommodation Facilities for Unaccompanied Minors in Samos and Chios	METAdrasi	completed	2.224.503 €	2.066.260 €	
	<b>Outcome 2</b>	Capacity Development	NORCAP	completed	3.500.000 €	3.486.413 €	
	<b>Outcome 3</b>	Quality Assurance	UNHCR	completed	3.000.000 €	3.000.000 €	
	<b>Outcome 4</b>	Voluntary Return	IOM	completed	1.000.000 €	910.630 €	



# Communication

Closing event

September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023



# Closing event



Iceland  
Liechtenstein  
Norway grants

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## Closing event

“Asylum and Migration”  
&  
“Local Development and Poverty Reduction”  
EEA Grants programmes  
in Greece

September 28th, 2023  
3.30 pm-9.30 pm

Technopolis City of Athens

#forhumanrightsinEurope  
#forabetterfuture  
#EEAGrants

www.asylumandmigration-eeagrants.gr

Local Development - Poverty Reduction & Asylum and Migration / EEAGrants

More than 130 attendants

31 speakers

Agenda

1 comic, written story by UAMs

1 story book

Media:

1 article/invitation

for the exhibition (elculture.gr)

1 Press release

following the event published by

EFSYN, SocialPolicy.gr,

Athens News Agency



25 Σεπτεμβρίου, 2023  
Έκθεση φωτογραφίας και ζωγραφικής στο πλαίσιο της τελετής λήξης των προγραμμάτων «Άσυλο και Μετανάστευση» και «Τοπική Ανάπτυξη και Μείωση της Φτώχειας» των EEA Grants

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Εικόνες με αγνίγματα, λουλούδια, κίνηση, εικόνες με μπουγάδες και περιπατητές, εικόνες γεμάτες φως με διαφορετικές οπτικές γωνίες και πειραματισμό. Η έκθεση “Eyes In Motion” έχει ιδιαίτερη σημασία. Με την εφαρμογή των συλλογικών δράσεων της κοινότητας των EEA Grants, που πραγματοποιήθηκαν το διάστημα 2021-2023 σε διαφορετικές πόλεις της Ελλάδας, δόθηκε η δυνατότητα σε συμμετέχοντες ευάλωτων ομάδων να ενεργοποιήσουν το βλέμμα, και τις δημιουργικές τους ικανότητες, να μοιραστούν το βιώμά τους μέσω της τέχνης, μεταμορφώνοντας πλευρές της προσωπικής τους διαδρομής σε μοναδικά κομμάτια μιας μεγαλύτερης εικόνας που αφορούν ανθρώπους εκτοπισμένους, σε αναζήτηση μίας νέας ζωής.

Οι εμπειρίες διαμορφώνουν την προοπτική και τον τρόπο που ερμηνεύουμε τον κόσμο. Το υποσυνείδητο φέρνει αναμνήσεις, κάνει συνειρμούς και ξεδιπλώνει συναισθήματα που επηρεάζουν τη δημιουργική διαδικασία. Η καλλιτεχνική έκφραση, θεμελιώδης πτυχή της ανθρώπινης ύπαρξης, καλλιεργεί την επικοινωνία, την κατανόηση, τη σύνδεση, τον στοχασμό, την ενσυναίσθηση.



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Τελετή λήξης των προγραμμάτων «Άσυλο και Μετανάστευση» και «Τοπική Ανάπτυξη και Μείωση της Φτώχειας» των EEA Grants



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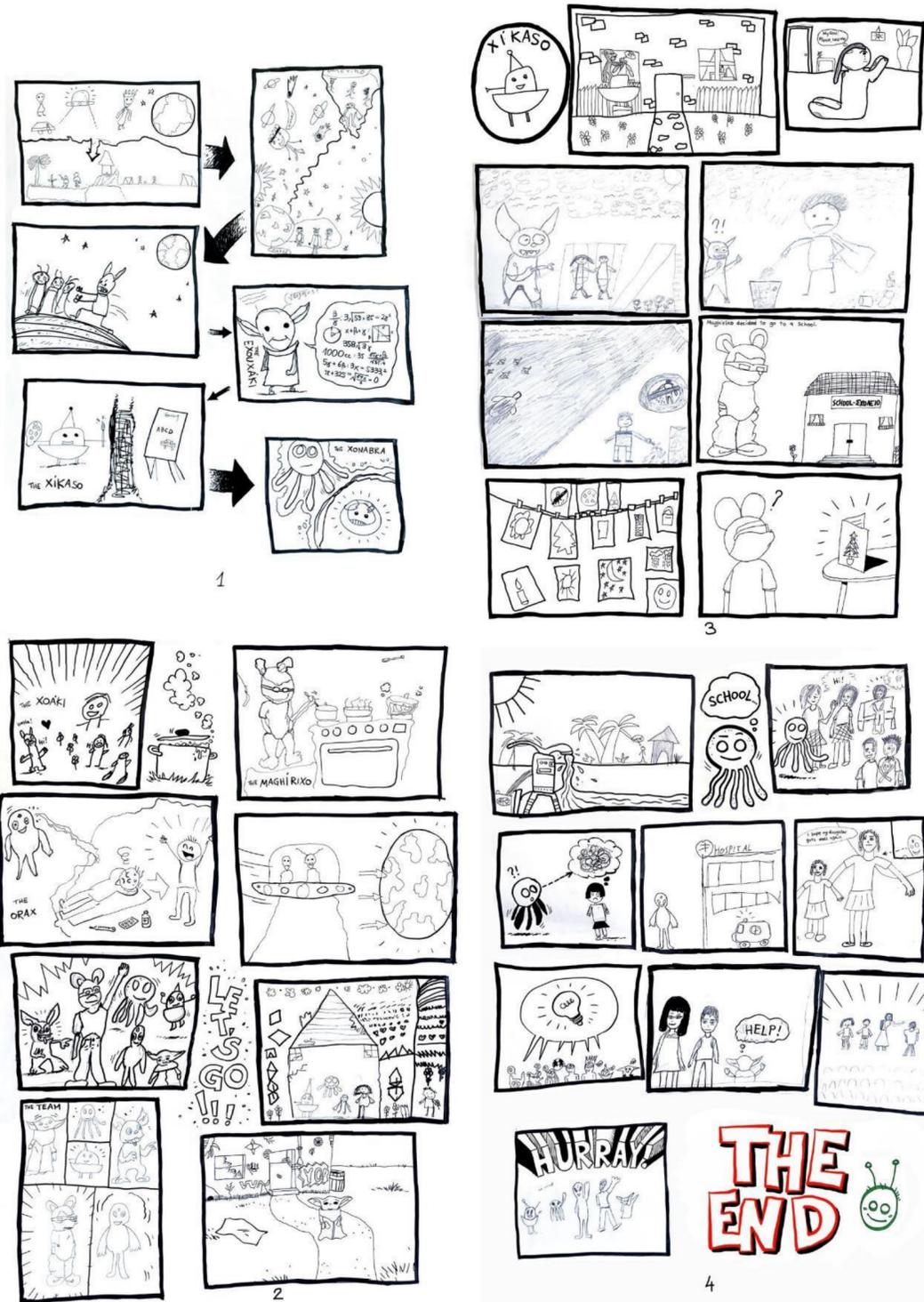
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11 Οκτωβρίου, 2023 in Κοινωνική Πολιτική, Προγράμματα



# BUT WHO SAVED THE EARTH?!



## #OUR STORIES



## #EEA GRANTS

### My name is Judy



My name is Judy. I am 17 years old, from Kinshasa, Congo. I gave birth 6 months ago. I arrived in Greece on foot, while I was pregnant. Someone raped me in Turkey. I traveled alone. As victim of gender-based violence, I ran away from home to escape a forced marriage to a man of my father's age.

### My name is Iman



My name is Iman and I have seven children, five boys and two girls. I arrived in Greece on August 8, 2017, with my six children. I gave birth to my seventh child here, two years ago.

### My name is Ramatulai



My name is Ramatulai and I am 17 years old from Siera Leone.

### My name is Julie



My name is Julie and I am 33 years old. I was born in a communist, socialist country, Cuba, and if you are a trans person, this is really bad.

HURRAY  
THE END

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# Thank you!