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# Bilateral Fund

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# The Bilateral Fund at the national level

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Highlights of the reporting period

Total budget  
increase by  
1,821,000 euros

16 new  
initiatives  
selected

30 initiatives in  
total of which 12  
have completed

65% of the total  
new budget paid  
to initiative  
promoters

18 initiatives  
streamlined to  
complete in  
April 2025

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## The budget increase

- Available resources from the programmes “Roma empowerment and inclusion” and “Asylum & Migration”
- JCBF supported the allocation of the available resources to the Bilateral Fund, on the condition that the BF proves a substantial financial progress with its initial allocation
- In 2023, 70% of the initial budget was paid to initiatives’ promoters
- As suggested by the Annual meeting 2023, NFP submitted a respective MoU modification proposal
- The MoU modification was concluded on 15 March 2024
- The Bilateral Fund budget was increased by 1,821,000 euros, which were further allocated as follows:
  - Bilateral Fund at the national level: 1,000,000 euros
  - Bilateral Fund allocation to programme G “Asylum & Migration”: 800,000 euros
  - Bilateral Fund allocation to programme H “Asylum & Migration”: 21,000 euros
  - Further to the MoU allocations, the programme A “Business Innovation” submitted a request for additional funding of 43,000 euros to the JCBF. The JCBF approved the allocation on 19 April 2024.

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## Financial progress

Title	No of initiatives	Budget allocated	Budget granted	Remaining budget**	Payments to promoters	Incurred expenditure	% Payments to budget granted
Strategic projects	7	771,960.00	771,960.00	0	723,840.92	641,008.96	94%
Open Call	21	1,419,040.00	1,389,346.26	29,693.74	267,617.02	240,157.02	26%
Call for Ukraine	2	300,000.00	300,000.00	0	300,000.00	300,000.00	100%
<b>Total</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>2,491,000.00</b>	<b>2,108,297.59</b>	<b>382,702.41</b>	<b>1,291,457.94</b>	<b>1,181,165.98</b>	<b>61%</b>

\* Forecast according to progress of implementation

\*\*Budget allocated minus budget granted

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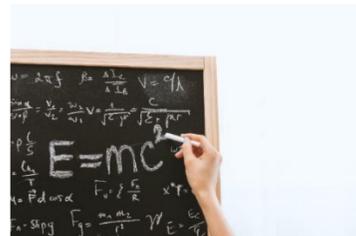
# Bilateral Initiatives – Thematic areas of selected initiatives



## Culture

3 initiatives:

- Music with education exchange programs and Sound Art Residencies
- Artworks exhibitions
- Strengthening cultural cooperation to ensure future of traditional wooden boats



## Scientific research

2 initiatives:

- State of the art electron microscopes capable of structural and chemical analysis in the micro, nano and atomic scales
- Mathematical and computational aspects of potential field modelling of finite distributions



## Gender & Youth

7 initiatives:

- Women and youth empowerment in labor market
- Integration of gender in interdisciplinary research
- Empowerment of the women expertise in R&I and entrepreneurship
- Digital Hub on Gender, the COVID-19 crisis and its Aftermath
- Adapted physical education for children with disabilities
- Youth violence among peers: motives, causes και prevention techniques
- Protect and prevent delinquency in unaccompanied minors



## Clean Energy & Air

10 initiatives:

- Legislation for offshore wind energy
- Energy diversification & governance for sustainable development
- Renewable Energy in a new geo-economic paradigm
- Norwegian Oil & Gas Industry's Transformation
- Green coastal shipping & transportations
- Decarbonization of the Mediterranean trawl fishing fleet
- Offshore safety regulations in Carbon Capture Storage and Offshore Wind
- Development of a CO2 storage atlas for Greece
- A Methodological framework for the optimization of the Siting of Offshore wiNd farms



## Good Governance

3 initiatives:

- Local Authorities and Climate Change Adaptation
- Architecture and management of public administration base registries for digital transformation and increased transparency
- Strengthening research and know-how transfer and networking for good electronic governance



## Public health

3 initiatives:

- Relationship of environmental factors with the performance of people working in hospitals and patients
- Universal design in healthcare facilities, using advanced indoor navigation systems
- Sustainable medical waste management



## Response to Ukraine crisis

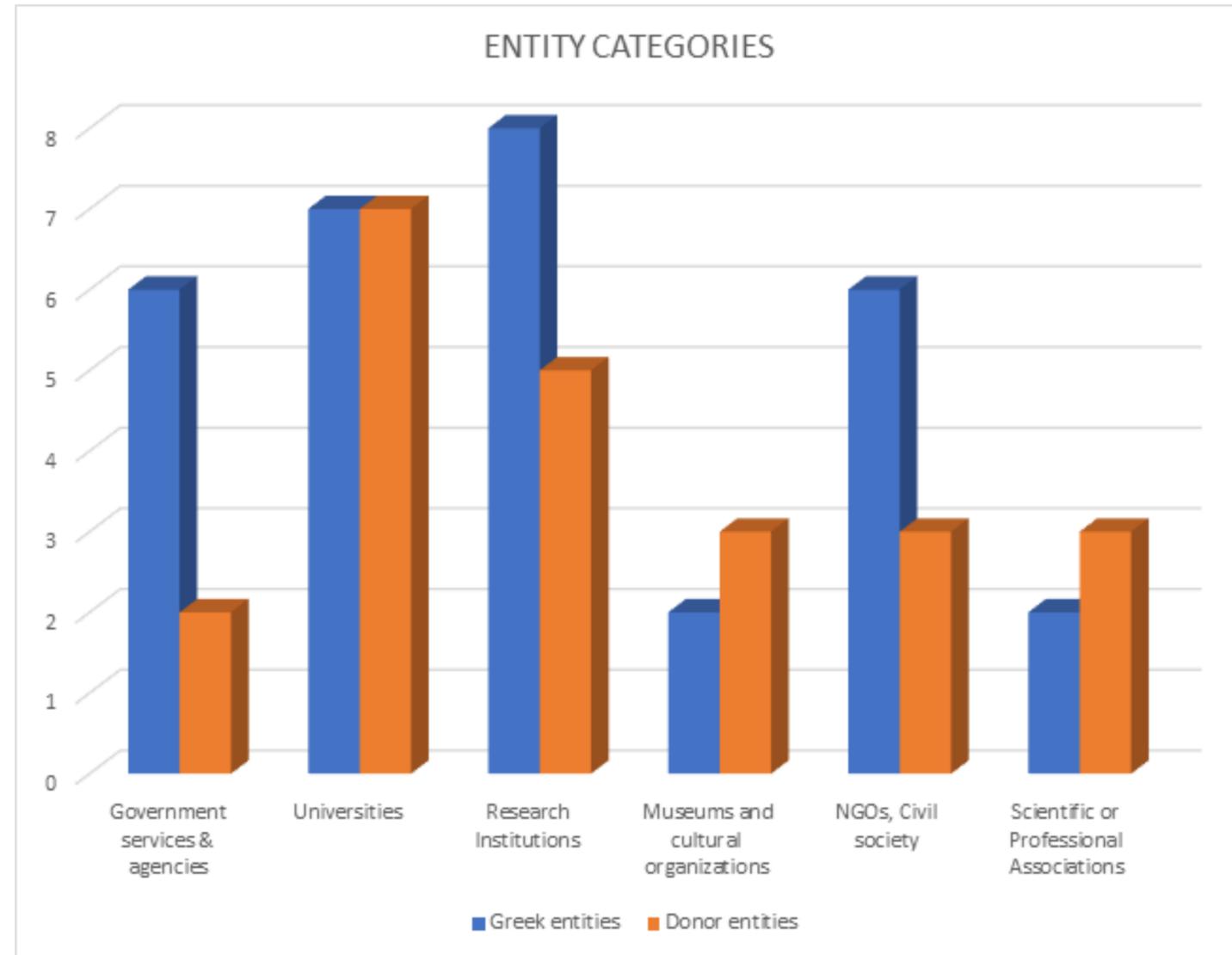
2 initiatives:

- Health care for displaced persons from Ukraine seeking protection in Greece
- Accommodation & psychological support to refugee families

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# Bilateral Initiatives – Greek and Donor partners

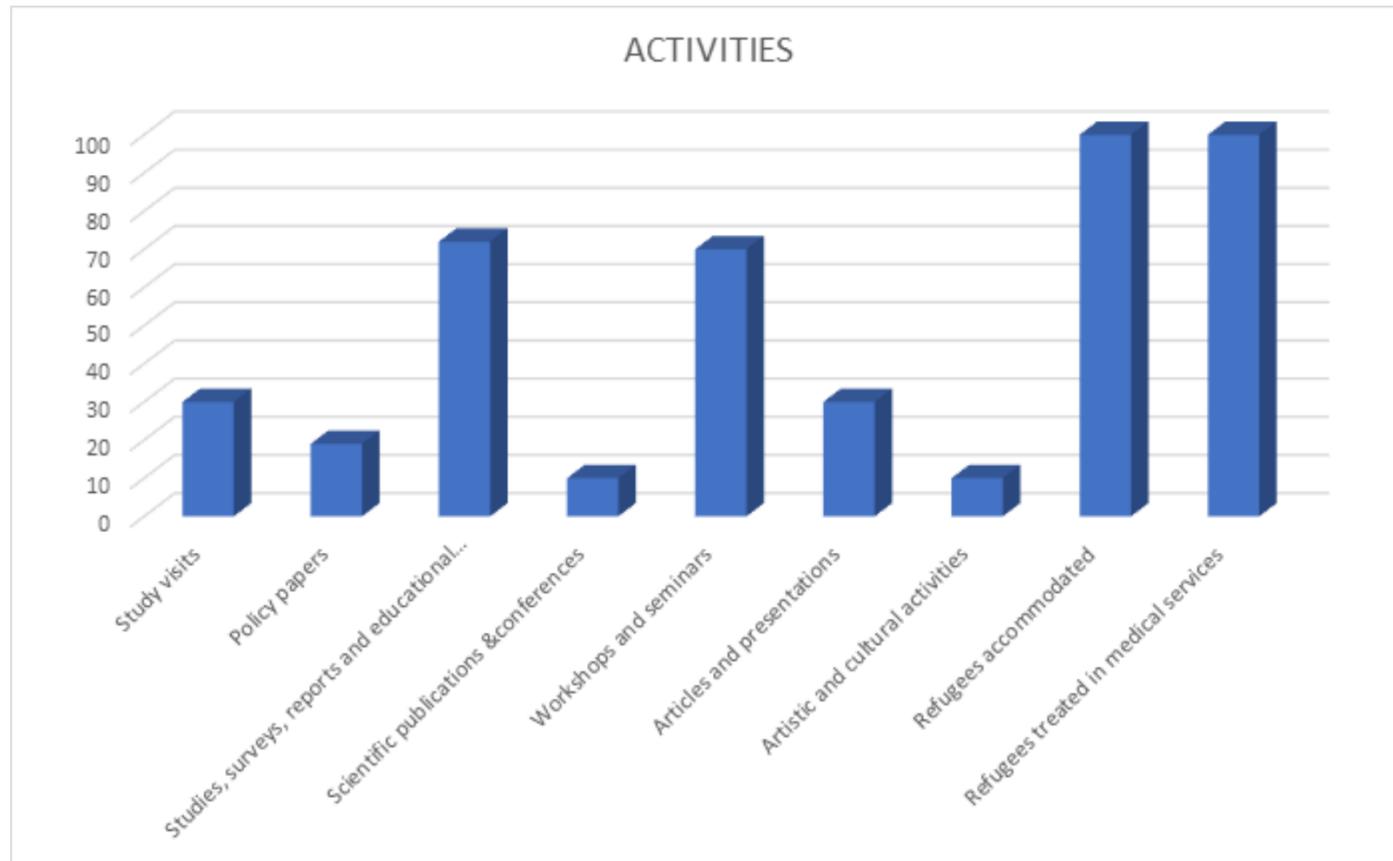
Entity category	Greek entities	Donor entities
Government services & agencies	6	2
Universities	7	7
Research Institutions	8	5
Museums and cultural organizations	2	3
NGOs, Civil society	6	3
Scientific or Professional Associations	2	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>23</b>



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# Bilateral Initiatives – Activities and Outputs



Activities	Number of items/sets
Study visits	30
Policy papers	19
Studies, surveys, reports and educational material (sets)	72
Scientific publications & conferences	10
Workshops and seminars	70
Articles and presentations	30
Artistic and cultural activities	10
Refugees accommodated	61
Refugees treated in medical services	1.000+

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# The Bilateral Fund at the programme level

Title	Budget allocation	Project contracts	% project contracts to budget	Payments to promoters	% payments to budget	Incurred expenditure	% expenditure to budget
Activities carried out by the NFP	0.00	0.00		0.00		0,00	
Strategic initiatives (incl. The Ukraine projects)	1,071,960.00	1,071,960.00	100%	1,023,840.92	96%	941,008.96	88%
Open Call	1,419,040.00	1,036,337.59	73%	267,617.02	19%	240,157.02	17%
GR-INNOVATION (FMO)	193,000.00	193,000.00	100%	135,000.00	70%	124,661.00	65%
GR-ROMAINCLUSION	50,000.00	0.00	0%	0.00	0%	0.00	0%
GR-LOCALDEV(FMO)*	50,000.00	50,000.00	100%	45,000.00	90%	0.00	0%
GR-ENVIRONMENT	100,000.00	98,258.07	98%	68,396.07	68%	64,488.32	64%
GR-ENERGY	100,000.00	100,000.00	100%	0.00	0%	0.00	0%
GR-GOODGOVERNANCE	100,000.00	25,000.00	25%	0.00	0%	0.00	0%
GR-HOMEAFFAIRS	925,000.00	356,143.00	39%	0.00	0%	0.00	0%
GR-HOMEAFFAIRS (FMO)*	146,000.00	125,000.00	86%	112,500.00	77%	36,471.40	25%
Funds still to be allocated	0.00	0.00	0%	0.00		0.00	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4,155,000.00</b>	<b>3,055,698,66</b>	<b>74%</b>	<b>1,652,354.01</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>1,406,786.70</b>	<b>34%</b>

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# Let's take this forward together.

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Thank you everyone for all the productive and pleasant cooperation all these years! ❤️

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