

Mobilisation of the Flexibility Instrument: migration, refugee inflows and security threats

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PURPOSE: to mobilise the Flexibility Instrument without delay, in order to finance support for measures for managing the challenges of migration, refugee inflows and security threats.

NON-LEGISLATIVE ACT: Decision (EU) 2018/8 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the mobilisation of the Flexibility Instrument to finance immediate budgetary measures to address the ongoing challenges of migration, refugee inflows and security threats.

CONTENT: the European Parliament and the Council decided to **mobilise the Flexibility Instrument** to supplement the financing available in the general budget of the Union for the financial year 2018, beyond the ceiling of heading 3 (*Security and citizenship*) by an amount of **EUR 837 241 199, to finance measures in the field of migration, refugees and security.**

This amount includes amounts which lapsed in the previous years of the European Union Solidarity Fund and of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund and which are made available for the Flexibility Instrument in accordance with [Regulation \(EU, Euratom\) No 1311/2013](#) laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2014-2020.

The **distribution of the payment appropriations** corresponding to the mobilisation of the Flexibility Instrument is estimated as follows:

- EUR 464 039 631 in 2018;
- EUR 212 683 883 in 2019;
- EUR 126 354 910 in 2020;
- EUR 34 162 775 in 2021.

The specific amounts of payment appropriations for each financial year shall be authorised in accordance with the annual budgetary procedure.

As a reminder, the Flexibility Instrument is intended to allow the financing of clearly identified expenditure which could not be financed within the limits of the ceilings available for one or more other headings. The ceiling on the annual amount available for the Flexibility Instrument is EUR 600 000 000 (2011 prices).

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APPLICATION: from 1.1.2018.