



AD HOC QUERY ON 2019.43 Use of AMIF funds in Detention Centres

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Responses from Austria, Belgium, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Ireland, Lithuania, Netherlands, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden (11 in Total)

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1. Background information

On 13 March 2019, the LU EMN NCP and the Luxembourg detention centre organised a workshop of representatives of detention centres in the EU. The event was attended by 16 MS which shared challenges and good practices in dealing with detention.

Several speakers mentioned that certain expenses directly related to operational costs of the detention centre were covered using AMIF funding.

The Luxembourg Detention Centre will like to ask the following questions:

2. Questions

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1. Does your MS receives funding through AMIF for certain expenses directly linked to the operational costs of the detention centres?


Available choices: Yes, No, N/A, Other

2. If your answer is yes or other, can you please described what are those co-funded expenses?

We would very much appreciate your responses by **22 April 2019**.

3. Responses

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	EMN NCP Austria	Yes	<p>1. No No, Austria does not receive financial resources for expenses in connection with detention pending removal.---Source: Ministry of the Interior</p> <p>2. n/a---Source: Ministry of the Interior</p>

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	<p>EMN NCP Belgium</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>1. Yes</p> <p>2. Various expenses for recreational purposes to make the stay more agreeable (ex. sport equipment, multimedia,...) under project Humanization; staff costs, travel expenses (for staff), training (for staff), furniture and various services (ex. electric bills, water bills, medical bills, etc.) related to housing families under project Families; the development of the IT solution to manage the electronic files of the detainees under project ACC/GCF.</p>
	<p>EMN NCP Estonia</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>1. Yes</p> <p>2. Currently AMIF co-funding is used to cover the following expenses in detention center: • Providing translation services for asylum seekers and returnees in detention center; • Providing better access to medical services, enhancing leisure time possibilities and providing counselling services in detention center; • Enabling independent monitoring of returns (Red Cross); • Return of illegally staying TCNs and providing material support for reintegration in the country of origin.</p>
	<p>EMN NCP Finland</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>1. No</p> <p>2. N/a</p>
	<p>EMN NCP Germany</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>1. No</p>





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			2. n/a
	EMN NCP Ireland	Yes	<p>1. Other</p> <p>2. Ireland does not have immigrant detention centres. Once a deportation order is issued, a person has 28 days to remove themselves from the State. In the letter enclosing the deportation order, the person is given a date to present to Garda immigration (police) if they do not leave the State during the initial 28 day period. The person is not liable for arrest on foot of the deportation order until that first date they are due to present to Garda immigration. After that time, the person may be liable for arrest for non-compliance with the conditions of the deportation order, pending removal. The person may be detained in places of detention designated by Statutory Instrument, in practice mainstream prisons.</p>
	EMN NCP Lithuania	Yes	<p>1. Yes</p> <p>2. Lithuania receives funding through AMIF 2014-2020 and covers following expenses directly linked to the operation of the detention center (Foreigners' registration center): 1. Organization of return (expulsion) of third country nationals (return documents, travel tickets, travel bags, clothing and other essentials if necessary, as well as accommodation during return/expulsion). 2. Escort of third country nationals during return or expulsion to the country of origin or transit. 3. Providing services to third-country nationals who are subject to return or expulsion (legal services, translation services, determining the age of unaccompanied minors, transportation inside the country to the Foreigners registration center, courts, embassies or consular posts, leisure, psychologist assistance, food donations while third country nationals are on the border). 4. Improvement of the reception conditions at the detention center and ensuring security during return or expulsion operations.</p>

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	EMN NCP Netherlands	Yes	1. No 2.
	EMN NCP Slovakia	Yes	1. Yes 2. As a part of the co-financed project from the financial tool AMIF different types of expenses connected to the management of the facilities and the third country nationals are refunded. There are e.g.:- airtickets (police officers, foreigners)- interpreting- expert examination of age- costs related to provision of substitute travel documents- material and technical equipmentIndividual projects implemented by the third subjects:- psychological counselling- social counselling- leisure activities- education- supplementary medical assistance
	EMN NCP Spain	Yes	1. Yes 2. Small repairs, medical assistance, food, cleaning services, social assistance (Red Cross).
	EMN NCP Sweden	Yes	1. No

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