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Delegations will find enclosed the presentations given by FRONTEX (item 2 and 3 on agenda) during the meeting of the Working Party on Integration, Migration and Expulsion (Expulsion) held on 2 July 2026.



EUROPEAN BORDER AND COAST GUARD AGENCY

# **Implementation of Frontex activities in the field of return**

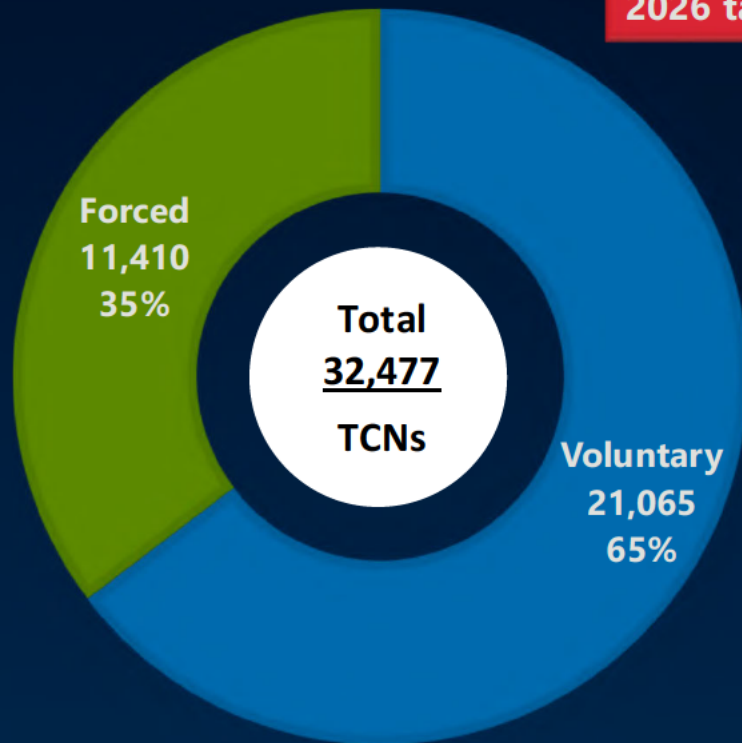
Working Party on Integration, Migration and Expulsion (IMEX) meeting, 02/07/2026

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## Frontex support in the 1<sup>st</sup> half of 2026 – Return Operations

### Frontex Assisted Returns (FAR)

50% of the  
2026 target



88%  
Scheduled Flights

12%  
Charter Flights

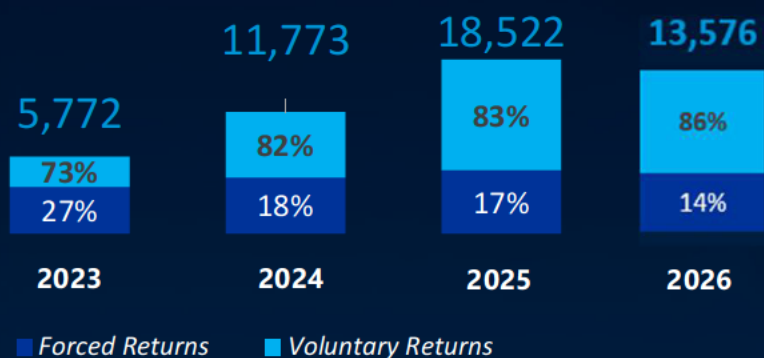
### Returns by scheduled flights

#### ❖ Highlights of the 1<sup>st</sup> half of 2026:

- Returns were predominantly voluntary - 65%, the remaining 35% were forced returns.
- Forced returns by scheduled flights increased by 12% and, for the third consecutive reporting period, exceeded those carried out via charter flights.

## Frontex support in the 1<sup>st</sup> half of 2026 – latest developments

### Total of registered beneficiaries per year and return type (SoP June)



### Key novelties in 2026



41 third countries in the geographical scope

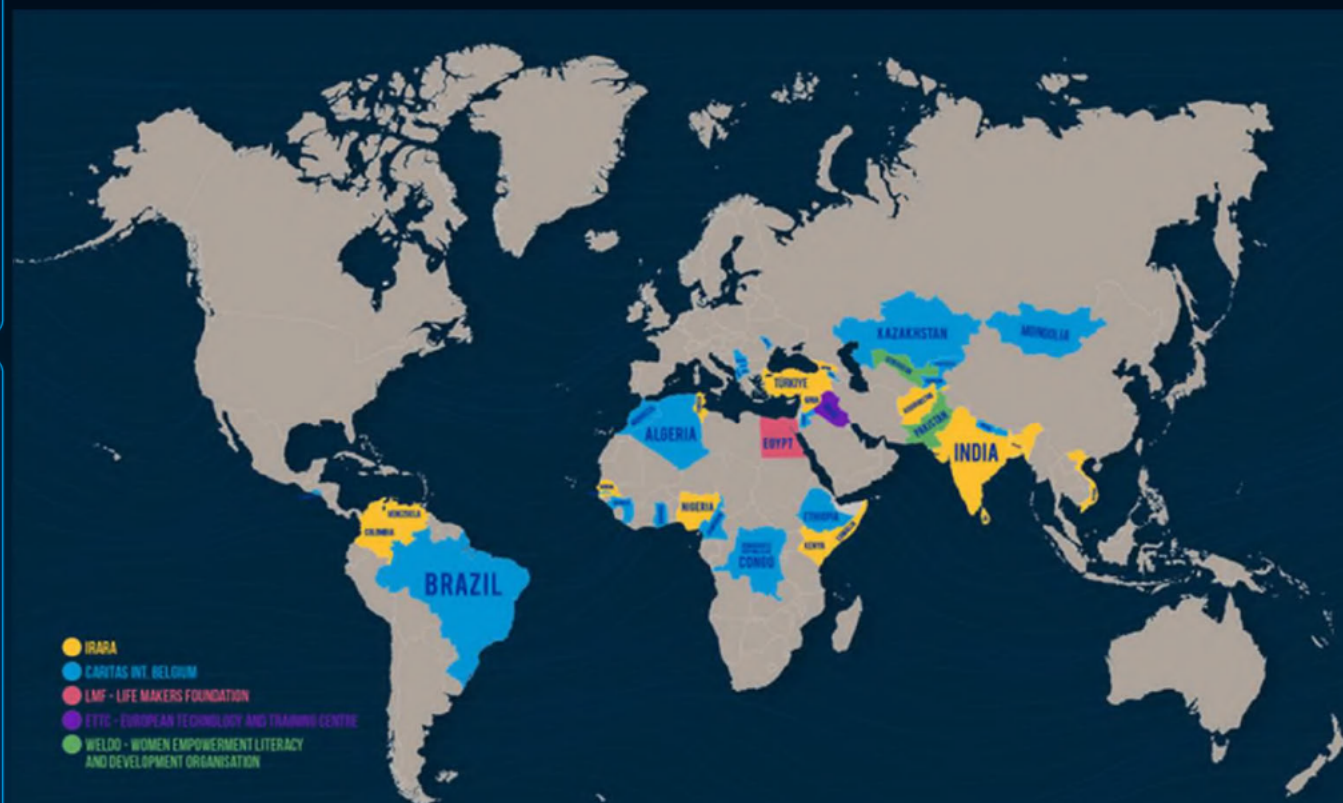


Package indexation



Medical Support Package introduced

## EURP EU REINTEGRATION PROGRAMME



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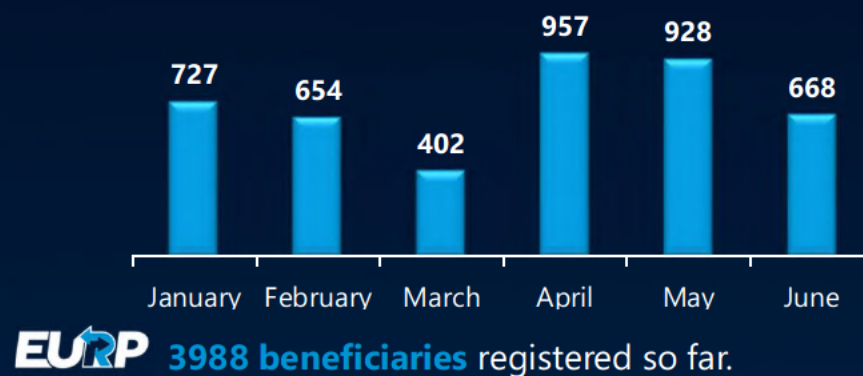
### Middle East crisis implications on returns



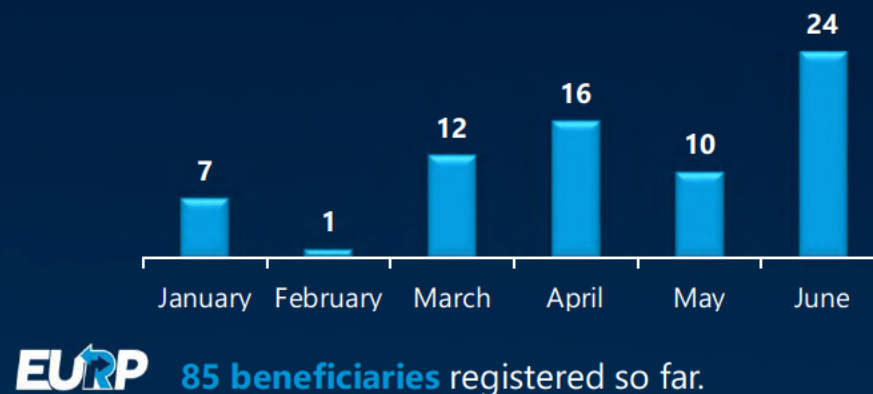
#### ❖ Summary of the impact

- In total **2,278 TCNs** were not returned due to cancellations of both charter and scheduled flights.
- Rough estimations indicate on **cancellation/missed organisation of about 4000 returns in total.**

### Voluntary Returns to Syria – 4336 TCNs

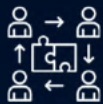


### Voluntary Returns to Afghanistan – 70 TCNs



# Frontex support in the 1<sup>st</sup> half of 2026 – latest developments

## EURLO



EURLO support: **10** EURLOs covering **15** third countries

**1457** Returnees supported in return

**872** TCNs covered by identification requests

**550** TCNs positively identified

## Return Specialists



**18 340** cases assisted

↳ **8 692** counselling sessions

↳ **44%** declarations to return voluntarily



**109** deployments



**15** Member States

## FRESO



**27 137** TCNs supported



deployments



Member States

## Identification missions

Identification missions supported by Frontex: **9** Total (LTIM **1**, STIM **8**)

**704** Interviewed TCNs

**555** Identified

**355** ETDs issued

**3** MS onboarded in IRMA IMM



# FRONT<sup>EX</sup>



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## **Promoting voluntary returns and reintegration**

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# Promotion of Voluntary Returns and Reintegration



Voluntary Returns Network  
Post-Return and Reintegration Network



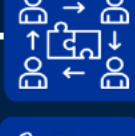
Increase in funding for scheduled flights over the years



Targeted FRESO deployments & return counselling by Return Specialists



Mixed returns

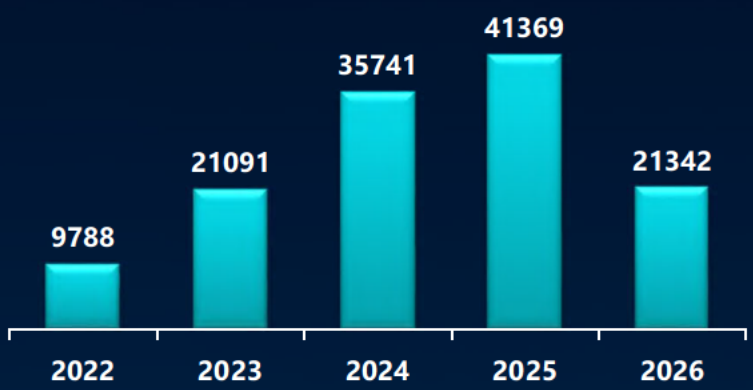


**EURP** Reintegration support



Return and reintegration counselling

Increase of Frontex supported Voluntary Returns



Increase in EURP registered beneficiaries (Voluntary Return)

