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Asylum Migration and Integration Fund List of Actions allocated funding, July 2018

Introduction

The Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund (AMIF) was established on 16 April 2014 by the European Union as a Multi Annual Financial Framework to cover the period 2014 – 2020. The UK opted into AMIF, and was allocated €370m for use on UK priorities in the field of migration and integration.

AMIF is administered by the UK Responsible Authority, which is based in the Home Office European Funding Team. The Acts establishing AMIF are:

Regulation (EU) No. 514/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council, and Regulation (EU) No. 516/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council

Article 53 (2) of Reg 514/2014 states:

Member States shall ensure transparency of the implementation of the national programmes and shall maintain a list of actions supported by each national programme which shall be accessible through the website or the website portal. The list of actions shall include updated information on the final beneficiaries, the names of the projects and the amount of Union funding allocated to them.

This paper is therefore a list of the actions allocated AMIF funds in the UK. This will be updated on an annual basis.

Information on the UK priorities for AMIF can be found in the UK AMIF National Programme, published at: www.gov.uk

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| Project reference: UK/2015/PR/0001 | Specific objective / National objective: SO3 - Return / NO2 - Return measures | |
| Project title: Assisted Voluntary Return Programme | | |
| Project summary: The overall aim of the AVR Programme is to provide an alternative to an enforced removal for those TCNs who have no legal basis on which to remain in the UK, or who wish to leave the UK prior to a decision being made. The AVR Programme is designed to achieve a dignified and sustainable return for any individual leaving the UK voluntarily. | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office – Immigration Enforcement | Beneficiary short name: HO - IE | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB1 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £12,549,455.70 | Project dates: 01/04/14 – 31/12/15 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2015/PR/0002 | Specific objective / National objective: SO3 - Return / NO2 - Return measures | |
| Project title: Re-documentation Operation and Projects | | |
| Project summary: The overall aim of the project is to undertake activities to verify the nationality and/or identity (and where necessary, obtain travel documentation) to facilitate the return of third country nationals (TCNs) that no longer have a right to remain in the UK. This project will cover the measures necessary for the preparation of return operations including activities relating to national/identity verification of TCNs in the country of origin and the UK. The project will also focus on co-operation with consular authorities of third countries with a view to obtaining travel documents, including inward visits from overseas officials and officials permanently based in the UK. | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office - Immigration Enforcement | Beneficiary short name: HO - IE | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB1 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £263,911.18 | Project dates: 01/04/15 – 30/09/15 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2015/PR/0003 | Specific objective / National objective: SO3 - Return / NO2 - Return measures | |
| Project title: Facilitated Returns Scheme | | |
| Project summary: The overall aim of the project is to provide reintegration assistance to non-EEA Foreign National Offenders (FNO) through voluntary return and contribute to Immigration Enforcement's FNO removal target. The project will provide reintegration assistance and support via IOM who will facilitate and provide necessary information with regards to accommodation, business and or education on return, whilst also supporting vulnerable returnees. | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office - Immigration Enforcement | Beneficiary short name: HO - IE | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB1 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £1,311,206.07 | Project dates: 01/04/15 – 31/12/15 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2015/PR/0004 | Specific objective / National objective: SO3 - Return / NO2 - Return measures | |
| Project title: Family Returns Unit | | |
| Project summary: The overall aim of the project is to return families after all outstanding claims to remain in the UK have been refused, whilst meeting the requirement to comply with the statutory child safeguarding duty under S55 of the Borders, Citizenship and Immigration Act 2009. A family for the purpose of this project must consist of at least 1 adult and 1 dependant child under the age of 18 years, who are imminently removable. | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office - Immigration Enforcement | Beneficiary short name: HO - IE | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB1 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £4,136,350.95 | Project dates: 01/04/14 – 31/03/16 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2015/PR/0005 | Specific objective / National objective: SO3 - Return / NO2 - Return measures | |
| Project title: Hibiscus Initiatives | | |
| Project summary: The purpose of the operation is to support the UK priority on returns by contributing towards 600 successful, compliant returns per year. The project will provide independent advice to those in immigration detention at Yarl's Wood, Colnbrook and Harmondsworth immigration removal centres (IRCs) to encourage them to comply with the returns process thereby increasing the number of compliant returns, reducing the number of escorted returns and the average number of days in detention at the three IRCs and allowing detainees to return home with dignity. | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office - Immigration Enforcement | Beneficiary short name: HO - IE | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB1 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £300,000.00 | Project dates: 01/04/15 – 31/03/16 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2015/PR/0006 | Specific objective / National objective: SO3 - Return / NO2 - Return measures | |
| Project title: Central Voluntary Departure Team | | |
| Project summary: The primary aims of the service are to encourage TCNs with no right to remain in the UK to leave on a voluntary basis, this will be through a dedicated team TCNs can contact who will discuss options and possible sanctions (such as re-entry bans), and if proceeding to departure organise tickets, travel documents and removing any barriers in getting TCNs to departure point. The outcomes of the project will be: increased volume of voluntary departures, earlier departures, reduced time between initial contact and departure, more cases progressed towards departure, reduced number of failed departures, minimised cost of tickets, simplification of process of departure, and reducing the overall departure cost of departures. The project will work by direct contact with TCNs to achieve 18546 departures. | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office - Immigration Enforcement | Beneficiary short name: HO - IE | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB1 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £645,304.12 | Project dates: 01/04/15 – 31/12/15 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2015/PR/0008 | Specific objective / National objective: SO3 - Return / NO2 - Return measures | |
| Project title: Return of irregular migrants by charter flight (excluding Nigeria/Ghana 2014/15) | | |
| Project summary: To undertake removals of irregular migrants to their country of origin on charter flights with escorts. The principal countries to which returns are made are Pakistan, Nigeria, Ghana, Afghanistan and Albania (also assisting France to remove to Albania). Other countries can be included if there is an operational need. Charter returns have accounted for approximately 15% of all UK enforced returns in previous years, and this project will help maintain this level of charter returns. Charter flights will be used for cases where voluntary return is not suitable or has been refused. | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office - Immigration Enforcement | Beneficiary short name: HO - IE | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB1 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £15,123,855.48 | Project dates: 01/04/14 – 31/03/16 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2015/PR/0009 | Specific objective / National objective: SO3 - Return / NO2 - Return measures | |
| Project title: Return of irregular migrants by charter flight (staffing and escorting costs) | | |
| Project summary: To fund staff and escort costs for the work undertaken in project: UK/2015/PR/0008, which is to: undertake removals of irregular migrants to their country of origin on charter flights with escorts. The principal countries to which returns are made are Pakistan, Nigeria, Ghana, Afghanistan and Albania (in partnership with France). Other countries can be included if there is an operational need. Charter returns have accounted for approximately 15% of all UK enforced returns in previous years, and this project will help maintain this level of charter returns. | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office - Immigration Enforcement | Beneficiary short name: HO - IE | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB1 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £4,968,077.80 | Project dates: 01/04/14 – 31/03/16 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2015/PR/0010 | Specific objective / National objective: SO2 – Legal Migration / NO2 - Integration | |
| Project title: Gateway Resettlement Programme - Statutory Service Provision | | |
| Project summary: The overall aim of the project is to resettle 1500 refugees to the UK over 2 years from various countries across the world and ensure they are provided with necessary support for 12 months after arrival after arrival to facilitate their long term settlement – specifically working together with statutory service providers to ensure health and education needs are met. | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office - UK Visas and Immigration | Beneficiary short name: HO - UKVI | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB3 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £2,450,591.67 | Project dates: 01/04/14 – 31/03/17 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2015/PR/0011 | Specific objective / National objective: SO2 – Legal Migration / NO2 - Integration | |
| Project title: Syrian Vulnerable Persons Relocation Scheme - Statutory Service Provision | | |
| Project summary: To resettle 350 Syrians to the UK in 2014/15 and 2015/16 and provide support for a period of 12 months after arrival ensuring access to health and education provision. | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office UK Visas and Immigration | Beneficiary short name: HO - UKVI | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB3 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £549,385.72 | Project dates: 01/03/14 – 21/09/16 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2016/PR/0012 | Specific objective / National objective: SO3 - Return / NO2 - Return measures | |
| Project title: Facilitated Return Scheme (FRS) 2 | | |
| Project summary: To provide reintegration assistance to 975 non-EEA foreign national offenders (FNOs) removed to their home country through voluntary return from 01/01/16 to 31/03/17. The project will provide value for money by promoting compliance with the removals process at an early stage. Returnees receive an initial £500 on a cash-card immediately prior to departure to cover their costs on arrival, the remaining amount is loaded to the card following contact with IOM in the home country to discuss support needs. | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office - Immigration Enforcement | Beneficiary short name: HO - IE | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB4 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £1,132,220.82 | Project dates: 01/01/16 – 31/10/16 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2016/PR/0013 | Specific objective / National objective: SO3 - Return / NO1 - Accompanying measures | |
| Project title: Verification Project | | |
| Project summary: The aim of the project is to undertake activities to verify the nationality and identity to facilitate the return of TCNs that no longer have a right to remain in the UK. The project will arrange: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - foreign officials from UK based embassies to conduct 146 routine nationality and identity verification interviews at removal and reporting centres; - foreign officials from 5 countries (which may change over the project period) to visit the UK to conduct 36 nationality and identity interview missions, currently planned for officials from: China, Vietnam, Pakistan, Nigeria & Sierra Leone; - foreign officials to be seconded to the UK to conduct 694 scheduled nationality and identity verification interviews. This work will provide support for travel documentation to enable the removal of difficult cases. | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office - Immigration Enforcement | Beneficiary short name: HO - IE | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB4 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £124,285.29 | Project dates: 01/01/16 – 31/03/16 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2016/PR/0014 | Specific objective / National objective: SO1 - Asylum / NO1 - Reception/asylum | |
| Project title: Asylum Support Application UK | | |
| Project summary: The project is to prevent destitution by facilitating access to statutory financial support and accommodation for eligible adult asylum seekers in the UK. The project will centralise assistance with completion of applications for asylum support for a minimum of 15000 adult asylum seekers per year. The service is contracted to Migrant Help by the Home Office. Migrant Help will: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - advise applicants what supporting evidence is required, and assist with submission of evidence; - check applications, verifying eligibility and ensuring the application has been completed correctly; - signposting asylum seekers to other services they may make use of - follow up applications where necessary. | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office - UK Visas and Immigration | Beneficiary short name: HO - UKVI | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB5 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £3,509,817.45 | Project dates: 01/04/14 – 31/03/17 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2016/PR/0015 | Specific objective / National objective: SO1 - Asylum / NO2 - Evaluation | |
| Project title: Country Information Needs and Fact Finding Research | | |
| Project summary: To analyse and identify country of origin information (COI) needs/gaps in key asylum intake countries for asylum decision makers. 6 countries will be the focus of the project and cover a single or range of issues, initially these will be: Eritrea, Sudan and Sri Lanka. For each country the project will: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - review asylum decisions and appeals outcomes, asylum statistics and user surveys to determine the COI requirements - identify COI sources and conduct fact finding research both in the UK and overseas - publish the results of research and produce updated COI reports - review the use of the new reports and research | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office - UK Visas and Immigration | Beneficiary short name: HO - UKVI | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB5 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £109,439.02 | Project dates: 01/01/16 – 31/03/18 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2016/PR/0017 | Specific objective / National objective: SO1 - Asylum / NO1 - Reception/asylum | |
| Project title: Asylum Operations Training | | |
| Project summary: The project will fundamentally review and expand existing UKVI Asylum Operations training modules, with a view to redevelop, reinvigorate and professionalise the materials, delivery and structure. This will particularly focus on the 5 week foundation training programme (FTP) delivered to all new asylum caseworkers. The project will deliver the revised FTP to 150 new asylum caseworkers and updated refresher training to 350 currently employed caseworkers. This will increase the quality of initial decision making. | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office - UK Visas and Immigration | Beneficiary short name: HO - UKVI | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB7 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £1,739,671.24 | Project dates: 01/04/16 – 31/03/19 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2016/PR/0018 | Specific objective / National objective: SO1 - Asylum / NO1 - Reception/asylum | |
| Project title: Summary Methodology and Digital Interviews | | |
| Project summary: The project will rollout the use of digital recording equipment for asylum interviews across 11 sites in the UK. This will provide a digital transcription of interviews and provide a more efficient asylum system. The project will also review requirements of providing full interview transcripts for courts, and to assess whether a digital recording would be accepted by the court, reducing the need to produce papers for appeal hearings. | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office - UK Visas and Immigration | Beneficiary short name: HO - UKVI | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB7 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £887,688.44 | Project dates: 01/04/16 – 29/09/17 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2016/PR/0019 | Specific objective / National objective: SO1 - Asylum / NO1 - Reception/asylum | |
| Project title: VAWG Action Plan | | |
| Project summary: The project will provide a signposting and pilot counselling service to vulnerable women who have experienced sexual violence and have entered the asylum process. The project will provide the counselling service to 200 women through the pilot period. | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office - UK Visas and Immigration | Beneficiary short name: HO - UKVI | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB7 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £32,946.00 | Project dates: 01/04/16 – 31/03/17 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2016/PR/0020 | Specific objective / National objective: SO1 - Asylum / NO1 - Reception/asylum | |
| Project title: Asylum Seeking Children's Service | | |
| Project summary: The project will ensure that unaccompanied children claiming asylum in the UK receive adequate support and assistance, including independent advice, in order to prevent harm and to protect from exploitation by developing better access to support processes. The project will ensure that 5500 UASCs per annum receive support through the process of their asylum claim in England, support and assistance will be available face-to-face, and group or individual sessions. | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office - UK Visas and Immigration | Beneficiary short name: HO - UKVI | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB7 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £560,747.67 | Project dates: 01/04/16 – 31/03/17 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2016/PR/0021 | Specific objective / National objective: SO3 - Return / NO2 - Return measures | |
| Project title: Criminal Casework Investigations Intervention | | |
| Project summary: The project has 2 aims. The first is to build the capacity of Criminal Casework Investigations Team to assist in resolving the most challenging TCN Foreign National Offender (FNO) cases by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - establishing the identity and nationality in disputed cases; - tracing current FNO absconders via improved investigation and family tracing techniques - cooperation with consulates/embassies to identify and issue travel documentation The project will expand the skills of the staff on the team to ensure appropriate prosecution action is taken against complex cases. | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office - Immigration Enforcement | Beneficiary short name: HO - IE | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB6 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £112,055.44 | Project dates: 01/04/16 – 31/03/17 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2016/PR/0022 | Specific objective / National objective: SO3 - Return / NO2 - Return measures | |
| Project title: Family Returns Unit (FRU) 2 | | |
| Project summary: The aim of the project is to ensure the removal of families once all outstanding claims to remain in the UK have been exhausted. The project focus is on encouraging and supporting families to return via one of the UKs voluntary routes, but if not effecting an enforced removal whilst ensuring the safeguarding of children. The expected outcome is to remove 900 family units through the life of the project. | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office - Immigration Enforcement | Beneficiary short name: HO - IE | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB6 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £7,800,895.15 | Project dates: 01/04/16 – 31/03/19 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2016/PR/0023 | Specific objective / National objective: SO3 - Return / NO2 - Return measures | |
| Project title: Return of Irregular Migrants by Charter Flight 2 | | |
| Project summary: To undertake the removal of irregular migrants to their country of origin on charter flights with escorts. The removals will be made in a safe and dignified manner with escorting staff having received appropriate training. The outcome of the project will be 3516 removals. | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office - Immigration Enforcement | Beneficiary short name: HO - IE | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB6 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £5,869,673.67 | Project dates: 01/04/16 – 23/11/16 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2016/PR/0024 | Specific objective / National objective: SO3 - Return / NO2 - Return measures | |
| Project title: Returns Facilitation at Heathrow and Yarl's Wood | | |
| Project summary: The project will provide independent support and advice to those in immigration detention at 3 centres to encourage the migrants to comply with the returns process. The project will contribute to 624 compliant returns per year, reducing the average number of days in detention reducing costs to the UK, and allowing detainees to make an informed choice and to return in a dignified manner. | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office - Immigration Enforcement | Beneficiary short name: HO - IE | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB6 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £938,820.71 | Project dates: 01/04/16 – 31/03/19 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2016/PR/0025 | Specific objective / National objective: SO3 - Return / NO2 - Return measures | |
| Project title: Voluntary Return Service (VRS) | | |
| Project summary: The Voluntary Return Service (VRS) will provide an alternative to enforced returns to those with no legal basis of stay in the UK. VRS will achieve 31,500 removals through the life of the project by providing a range of advice, information, financial assistance, and reintegration assistance. The project will enable migrants to return in a dignified and sustainable manner. | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office - Immigration Enforcement | Beneficiary short name: HO - IE | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB6 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £868,139.60 | Project dates: 01/01/16 – 28/11/16 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2016/PR/0026 | Specific objective / National objective: SO3 - Return / NO1 - Accompanying measures | |
| Project title: Family Pre-Departure Accommodation | | |
| Project summary: The project will provide pre-departure accommodation at 'Cedars' a specifically designed centre that supports the removal of families from the UK, and meets the UK Government's commitment to end child detention. The project will prepare bespoke plans to support 210 families prior to their arrival at the centre, and will provide security, safety, welfare and safeguarding advice to 27 families in centre. The services will be provided by two contractors, Barnardo's and G4S. | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office - Immigration Enforcement | Beneficiary short name: HO - IE | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB6 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £6,168,461.01 | Project dates: 01/04/15 – 30/09/16 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2016/PR/0027 | Specific objective / National objective: SO3 - Return / NO2 - Return measures | |
| Project title: National Community Engagement Leads | | |
| Project summary: The project will achieve 2700 voluntary departures of illegal migrants from the top 5 diaspora nationalities (BGD, CHN, IND, NIG, PAK). The project will achieve this by engagement activity with the diaspora communities in the UK, de-stigmatising and sign-posting voluntary departure as a credible and dignified option, and seeking to prevent exploitation of undocumented migrants. | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office - Immigration Enforcement | Beneficiary short name: HO - IE | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB6 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £175,809.19 | Project dates: 01/04/16 – 08/02/17 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2016/PR/0028 | Specific objective / National objective: SO1 – Asylum / NO3 - Resettlement | |
| Project title: Gateway Resettlement Pre-Arrival | | |
| Project summary: To resettle 2250 non-Syrian individuals who have fled their home country to a third country and who are designated/recognised as a refugee suitable for resettlement by the UNHCR. The project will operate for 3 years aiming at 750 refugees per year. The project will cover: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - collection of biometric data to enable the issuance of visas - delivery of cultural orientation prior to travel - completion of medical assessments to ensure refugees are fit to travel and identify ongoing medical requirements - provision of travel service, including exit permits, escorting. Provision will be via IOM, subcontracted by the HO Refugee Team. | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office – Refugee Team | Beneficiary short name: HO - RT | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB9 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £2,618,055.00 | Project dates: 01/04/16 – 31/03/19 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2016/PR/0029 | Specific objective / National objective: SO2 – Legal Migration / NO2 - Integration | |
| Project title: Gateway Resettlement Post-Arrival | | |
| Project summary: The project will provide 12 months wraparound support for 2250 non-Syrian refugees resettled to the UK to ease their integration into UK society. The aim is to support 750 refugees per year over the course of the 3 year project. Integration support will include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - provision of housing - assistance with registering for services covering social benefits, education, healthcare - provision of language training The project will be delivered by the Refugee Team via 3 subcontracted providers: North West Gateway Resettlement Partnership, Sheffield City Council and Horton Housing Association | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office – Refugee Team | Beneficiary short name: HO - RT | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB10 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £11,461,090.28 | Project dates: 01/04/16 – 31/03/19 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2016/PR/0031 | Specific objective / National objective: SO1 - Asylum / NO1 – Reception/Asylum | |
| Project title: Safeguarding Strategy | | |
| Project summary: To establish a safeguarding hub to implement the 'Adults at Risk Safeguarding Strategy', which will complement the 'Safeguarding Children Strategy'. The hub and a network of 'Safe Guardians' will be developed to provide advice and assistance to at least 4380 vulnerable asylum seekers over the 3 year project period, covering 5% of the current asylum intake. The hub will be responsible for ensuring reviewing the compliance of safeguarding interventions to ensure cases are managed sensitively and appropriately at all stages of the asylum process. Staff will receive training in specialist areas such as FGM, LGBT issues, and self-harming, and there will be strong links developed with external suppliers and stakeholders engaged in these issues. | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office – UK Visas and Immigration | Beneficiary short name: HO - UKVI | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB9 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £3,395,186.32 | Project dates: 01/09/16 – 31/08/19 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2016/PR/0032 | Specific objective / National objective: SO1 – Asylum / NO1 - Reception/Asylum | |
| Project title: Adult Asylum Seeker Victims of Modern Slavery Care and Coordination Service | | |
| Project summary: This project aims to ensure that every vulnerable adult asylum seeker, who is also a potential victim of modern slavery (and their dependents), receive a comprehensive package of care to support their recovery and reflection and improve their ability to move forward positively in their lives once they leave support. The project will provide a comprehensive package of support to 3620 asylum seekers over 3 years who have been identified as potential victims of modern slavery. This will be undertaken by the Home Office Modern Slavery Unit and the Salvation Army as a delivery partner. | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office – Crime and Policing Group Modern Slavery Unit | Beneficiary short name: HO - MSU | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB9 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £6,834,738.52 | Project dates: 01/04/16 – 25/09/17 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2016/PR/0034 | Specific objective / National objective: SO1 – Asylum / NO1 - Reception/Asylum | |
| Project title: Dublin UASC Facilitation Transfer Scheme | | |
| Project summary: The project will build on an initial small scale pilot designed to implement the Prime Minister's announcement that the UK will undertake to accept the relocation of a number of Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children (UASC) from other EU Member States (MS) under the Dublin Regulations. To consider a total of 6,000 applications and reconsiderations over the lifetime of the project. | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office – UK Visas and Immigration | Beneficiary short name: HO - UKVI | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB11 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £786,754.56 | Project dates: 01/01/17 – 31/12/18 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2016/PR/0035 | Specific objective / National objective: SO1 – Asylum / NO1 - Reception/Asylum | |
| Project title: Training: Identifying potential signs of Mental Health issues in Asylum claimants | | |
| Project summary: To deliver training to 800 Asylum screening staff, Asylum & support decision makers and other asylum operations staff who may have either face to face or telephone contact with Asylum claimants. Specifically this will assist in identifying potential Mental Health issues which will then enable staff to flag and signpost appropriate support and assistance. | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office – UK Visas and Immigration | Beneficiary short name: HO - UKVI | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB11 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £477,231.47 | Project dates: 03/01/17 – 31/12/18 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2016/PR/0036 | Specific objective / National objective: SO2 – Legal Migration / NO2 – Integration | |
| Project title: Post-Grant Appointments Service | | |
| Project summary: The project will provide Post-Grant assistance to 3000 asylum claimants once they have been granted refugee or other status in the UK. The assistance will help with the completion of applications for mainstream benefits and appointment/interview bookings. This will assist the beneficiaries with integration into mainstream society. | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office – UK Visas and Immigration | Beneficiary short name: HO - UKVI | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB11 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £613,426.10 | Project dates: 31/01/17 – 31/07/18 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2016/PR/0037 | Specific objective / National objective: SO1 – Asylum / NO1 - Reception/Asylum | |
| Project title: UASC National Transfer Scheme | | |
| Project summary: The project aims to more evenly and equitably distribute UASC across the country, ensuring that UASC best interests are met and the appropriate levels of support are available. The operation of this Scheme aims to support the transfer of up to 150 UASC, from overburdened regional/local authorities to other participating authorities, each quarter, and encourage other authorities to volunteer to take part. The successful implementation of the scheme will require significant resource investment to ensure that it operates in an efficient and timely manner. | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office - UK Visas and Immigration | Beneficiary short name: HO - UKVI | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £214,511.46 | Project dates: 20/01/17 – 24/01/18 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2016/PR/0038 | Specific objective / National objective: SO1 – Asylum / NO1 - Reception/Asylum | |
| Project title: Asylum Support Applications UK2 | | |
| Project summary: The project will provide better access to the asylum and asylum support process for potentially vulnerable/destitute asylum seekers in the UK. It will strengthen and improve administrative processes relating to reception conditions and access to statutory support. The project will also deliver training to 60 staff delivering access to support are fully trained on the eligibility criteria and policy relating to asylum support. Specifically the project will: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain the eligibility criteria for Section 95 & Section 4 support in a language the asylum seeker can understand • Assist with the completion in English of an Asylum Support Application Form and submission of completed form • Ensure suitable evidence is provided The project aims to deliver this support to 15,000 asylum seekers. It will be delivered by the Home Office along with a delivery partner: Migrant Help. | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office – UK Visas and Immigration | Beneficiary short name: HO - UKVI | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB11 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £1,500,480.00 | Project dates: 01/03/17 – 31/03/18 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2016/PR/0039 | Specific objective / National objective: SO3 – Returns / NO2 - Returns Measures | |
| Project title: Charter Flights staffing and escort costs | | |
| Project summary: To undertake removals of irregular third country nationals to their country of origin on charter flights with escorts. The return of the individuals eligible for removal by charter is made in a safe and dignified manner, using escorting staff who have received specific training in control and restraint measures, including during a long haul flight. The project will undertake a total of 2,758 removals over the life time of the project. The principal countries to which returns are made are currently Pakistan, Nigeria, Ghana, Jamaica and Albania. Other destination countries are included if there is an operational need, such as to remove a particularly violent individual or family where all attempts to remove on scheduled flights have failed. The project is aimed at returning all migrants who no longer have permission to remain in the UK or whose presence in the UK is no longer desirable. The two main project activities – the provision of charter aircraft and related services, and escorting services (the escorts themselves and transportation of returnees under escort) are contracted out to Carlson Wagonlit Travel and Tascor respectively. The UK provides reintegration assistance in partnership with a NGO for Pakistani charter returnees in accordance with a MOU. These costs are not charged to this project. Measures are in place to help identify potential victims of trafficking among charter returnees from Nigeria and Ghana. | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office – Immigration Enforcement | Beneficiary short name: HO - IE | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB16 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £16,013,745.40 | Project dates: 01/04/17 – 31/03/19 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2016/PR/0040 | Specific objective / National objective: SO3 – Returns / NO2 – Return Measures | |
| Project title: Facilitated Return Scheme (FRS) | | |
| Project summary: The project promotes and assists the voluntary removal of those Foreign National Offenders (FNOs) accepted onto the scheme, helping them to leave the UK and return to their home country with reintegration support when they arrive. It aims to remove 945 non EU/EEA Foreign National Prisoners through the scheme providing reintegration assistance upon return to their home country over the lifetime of the project. The Home Office will undertake to deport or remove Foreign National Offenders (and their dependants) by providing reintegration assistance and support via the International Organisation for Migration (IOM). | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office – Immigration Enforcement | Beneficiary short name: HO - IE | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £2,301,862.02 | Project dates: 01/04/17 – 31/12/18 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2016/PR/0041 | Specific objective / National objective: SO3 – Return / NO2 – Return Measures | |
| Project title: Voluntary Returns Service (VRS) | | |
| Project summary: The aim of the Voluntary Returns Service (VRS) is to provide an alternative to enforced removal for those who have no legal basis on which to remain in the UK. The VRS is designed to achieve a dignified and sustainable return for any individual who opts to leave the UK voluntarily. Illegal migrants may choose to leave the UK promptly voluntarily by contacting the Home Office to discuss their Voluntary Return options. The Voluntary Returns Service commenced on 1st January 2016. This project aims to achieve a total of 21,000 Voluntary Returns over the lifetime of the project period under the following categories: 1. Controlled Return: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public funded: All illegal migrants and immigration offenders who chose to leave the UK voluntarily with some form of financial assistance (usually the cost of the return ticket in part or in full); • Subject funded: All illegal migrants and immigration offenders who chose to leave the UK voluntarily without any form of financial assistance. 2. Assisted Return – this is for the following eligible categories of individuals who would receive a package comprising of a return flight, financial assistance and in some cases, reintegration up to the value of £2,000 per person available to persons who made an asylum claim in the UK; are vulnerable; or are a family including a dependent under the age of 18 years old. The project is publicised via using leaflets, posters - as well as on external internet website. It is planned to be delivered by working collaboratively with European Reintegration Network (ERIN) programme to provide reintegration in 17 target countries (33 by late 2017) for VRS returnees. ERIN partner countries share the service of one service provider in each third country with each ERIN partner country providing basic counselling and referral services and reintegration assistance in accordance with its national policy. ERIN provides reintegration assistance to both voluntary and enforced returns. | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office – Immigration Enforcement | Beneficiary short name: HO - IE | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB16 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £20,787,021.15 | Project dates: 01/04/17 – 31/12/19 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2016/PR/0042 | Specific objective / National objective: SO3 – Return / NO2 – Return Measures | |
| Project title: National Removal command – Detained Removals | | |
| <p>Project summary: The project aims to facilitate enforced returns of detained non EU / EEA nationals and to professionalise Detained Casework. It will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Undertake enforced returns of 9,625 third country nationals (TCNs) from detention • Review and revamp learning and development for Detained Casework through providing a new modular learning package / framework with mandatory and refresher to all 169 existing and new staff; and optional elements aimed at specific roles and for individual development and / or specialisation <p>Cases are referred into NRC on detention and any barriers to return identified and resolved before preparing cases for return.</p> <p>The returns overseas travel will be undertaken by Carlson Wagonlit Ltd – a current Home Office subcontractor.</p> <p>The revamping of the learning and development will result in a more efficient detained casework process, equipping staff with skills to make better professional consistent decisions and reduce errors which in turn lead to reduced legal risk and more dignified departure for the TCNs. Currently learning and development consist mainly of staff reading documents on the internet and learning from colleagues.</p> | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office – Immigration Enforcement | Beneficiary short name: HO - IE | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB16 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £23,365,899.63 | Project dates: 01/04/17 – 31/12/19 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2016/PR/0043 | Specific objective / National objective: SO2 – Integration / NO2 – Integration Measures | |
| Project title: Integration Transition Grant | | |
| <p>Project summary: The project aims to prevent asylum seekers who had applied for asylum and have been granted refugee status or humanitarian protection in the UK from becoming destitute.</p> <p>This will be achieved by paying 28 days financial support to those granted leave to remain in the UK, allowing them sufficient time to apply for mainstream state benefits / assistance paid by other UK Government departments while they undertake the first steps of integration into the UK. It also provides a level of basic subsistence for those not wishing to apply for state benefit, (for example where they are taking up employment but have not received their first salary payment).</p> <p>A total of 72,875 eligible asylum seekers and their dependents are expected to receive financial support at a rate of £5.28 per person per day for a period of 28 days (£147.84 each) over the lifetime of the project.</p> | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office – UK Visas and Immigration | Beneficiary short name: HO - UKVI | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB15 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £214,054.72 | Project dates: 01/04/17 – 31/12/17 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2016/PR/0044 | Specific objective / National objective: SO1 – Asylum / NO2 – Evaluation | |
| Project title: Analysing Asylum Claims to Direct COI Research and Fact-finding Missions | | |
| <p>Project summary: To support informed, high quality and consistent decision making in the asylum system by conducting detailed analysis of asylum interviews, decisions and appeals in order to identify the gaps in country information then undertaking research, including fact finding missions, to fill the identified gaps for 20 countries.</p> <p>Currently the Home Office conducts country information research mainly by using internet-based reporting and information obtained by the Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO). Where this cannot fill the information gaps identified, the project will undertake other forms of research activities to fill the gaps e.g. interviewing sources in the UK; interviewing sources via phone or Skype; commissioning experts; translating non-English language documents and by conducting fact finding missions to obtain first-hand and targeted information required.</p> <p>The project will enable to better identify the types of issues arising in asylum claims and the specific country information needs of caseworkers; and review and assess the extent to which the gaps were filled. It will contribute towards ensuring that informed and consistent decisions on asylum applications are made.</p> | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office – UK Visas and Immigration | Beneficiary short name: HO - UKVI | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB17 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £300,000.00 | Project dates: 01/04/18 – 31/12/20 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2016/PR/0045 | Specific objective / National objective: SO1 – Asylum / NO1 – Reception/Asylum | |
| Project title: Asylum Childcare Provision | | |
| <p>Project summary: The overall aim of the project is to offer childcare to asylum seekers who would otherwise bring children to the substantive asylum interview.</p> <p>It will conduct 820 asylum interviews using childcare provision for children (including siblings) who would otherwise be present in the asylum interview.</p> <p>This childcare provision will be offered in-house or off-site to parents of children 5 years old and under with substantive asylum interviews in Cardiff, Croydon, Glasgow, Hounslow, Leeds, Liverpool, Newcastle and Solihull casework hubs. Subcontractors will be used for delivering the service as required.</p> <p>The childcare provision is expected to reduce instances of parents recounting their traumatic experiences in front of their children, leaving children in potentially risky environments or reluctance to fully disclose critical evidence leading to allowed appeals.</p> <p>The provision of childcare is a UK government commitment on the Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG) Action Plan.</p> | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office – UK Visas and Immigration | Beneficiary short name: HO - UKVI | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB17 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £394,789.50 | Project dates: 01/10/17 – 30/09/20 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2016/PR/0046 | Specific objective / National objective: SO1 – Asylum / NO1 - Reception/Asylum | |
| Project title: Modern Slavery | | |
| <p>Project summary: The overall aim of the project is to ensure that every vulnerable adult asylum seeker, who is also a potential victim of modern slavery (and their dependents), receives a comprehensive package of care to support their recovery and reflection and improve their ability to move forward positively in their lives once they leave support. It will provide a comprehensive package of support to 3,103 adult asylum seekers who are also potential victims of modern slavery.</p> <p>The project service will be provided by The Salvation Army (TSA), an organisation contracted by the UK Government to support adult victims of modern slavery in England and Wales.</p> <p>Awareness-raising activities will include workshops with first responders and those who routinely come into contact with asylum seekers.</p> <p>The project will work with key source countries to identify best practice and understand the particular needs of their nationals whilst in support. Also, it will share lessons and best practice with other States through workshops and conferences, with a view to helping partners to provide better support to victims of slavery in their territory and reducing the flow of potential victims from other countries to the UK.</p> <p>Potential victims of modern slavery are referred to the service through the National Referral Mechanism (NRM), UK's framework for identifying and supporting victims of modern slavery. Support will be provided to individuals given a positive Reasonable Grounds (RG) decision, which indicates there is reason to believe that they are a potential victim of modern slavery. Victims receive support until a higher threshold, Conclusive Grounds (CG) decision determines whether or not the individual is a victim of modern slavery. A negative CG decision means that the individual will exit the service within two working days while a positive CG decision sees the individual leaving the service within 14 days.</p> <p>The project is in line with the UK Government obligation under Article 12 of the European Convention on Action Against Trafficking in Human Beings (ECAT) and Article 11 of the European Directive on Preventing and Combating Trafficking in Human Beings and Protecting its Victims (the Directive) to support potential victims of modern slavery.</p> | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office – UK Visas and Immigration | Beneficiary short name: HO - UKVI | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB17 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £14,624,899.50 | Project dates: 01/10/17 – 30/09/20 | |

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| Project reference: UK/2016/PR/0047 | Specific objective / National objective: SO3 – Returns / NO2 - Return Measures | |
| Project title: Scheduled Flights | | |
| <p>Project summary: The project aims to facilitate the removal of 1,840 TCNs on scheduled flights to their country of origin with or without escorts.</p> <p>Trained staff with delegated powers of control and restraint under the Immigration Act 1971 (as amended) will be used.</p> <p>The UK has operated regular scheduled flights with escorts return operations since 2001 through an experienced dedicated team. This project will help maintain this level of scheduled returns.</p> <p>Scheduled flights with escorts are operated for a number of reasons, which include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The detainee represents some risk to the public and is deemed unsuitable for an unescorted return. (ii) Where removal by charter is impossible due to destination. (iii) Where removal by charter flight would involve an unacceptably long time in detention. (iv) Where there have been previous attempts to remove an individual on scheduled services without escorts, which have failed due to disruptive behaviour by the individual which is unacceptable to the airline. (v) Where agreement has been reached with the destination country that removal by scheduled flights with escorts represents the most practicable method of effecting removals. <p>Case Owners are informed of which subjects are suitable for a fully escorted return and they ensure that subjects are eligible for removal before tickets and escorts are booked.</p> <p>The provision of tickets for scheduled flights with escorts and related services, and the escorting services (escorts themselves and transportation of returnees under escort) are delivered by subcontractors Carlson Wagonlit Travel and Tascor respectively.</p> <p>The following can also be provided if required: trace of family members by Foreign and Commonwealth Office, access to free healthcare, telephone and legal assistance and a small cash grant for destitute returnees.</p> | | |
| Beneficiary official name: Home Office – UK Visas and Immigration: Immigration Enforcement | Beneficiary short name: HO – UKVI IE | Type of beneficiary: State/federal authorities |
| Reference to selection procedure: DAB17 | Type of procedure: Direct award | |
| AMIF commitment: £6,613,037.00 | Project dates: 01/12/17 – 30/11/19 | |