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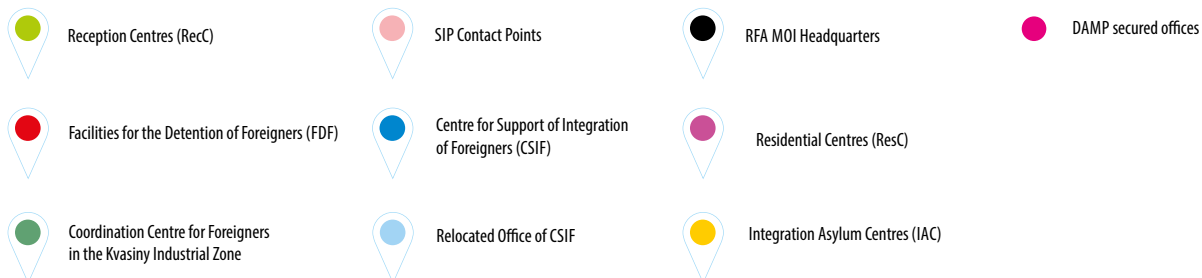
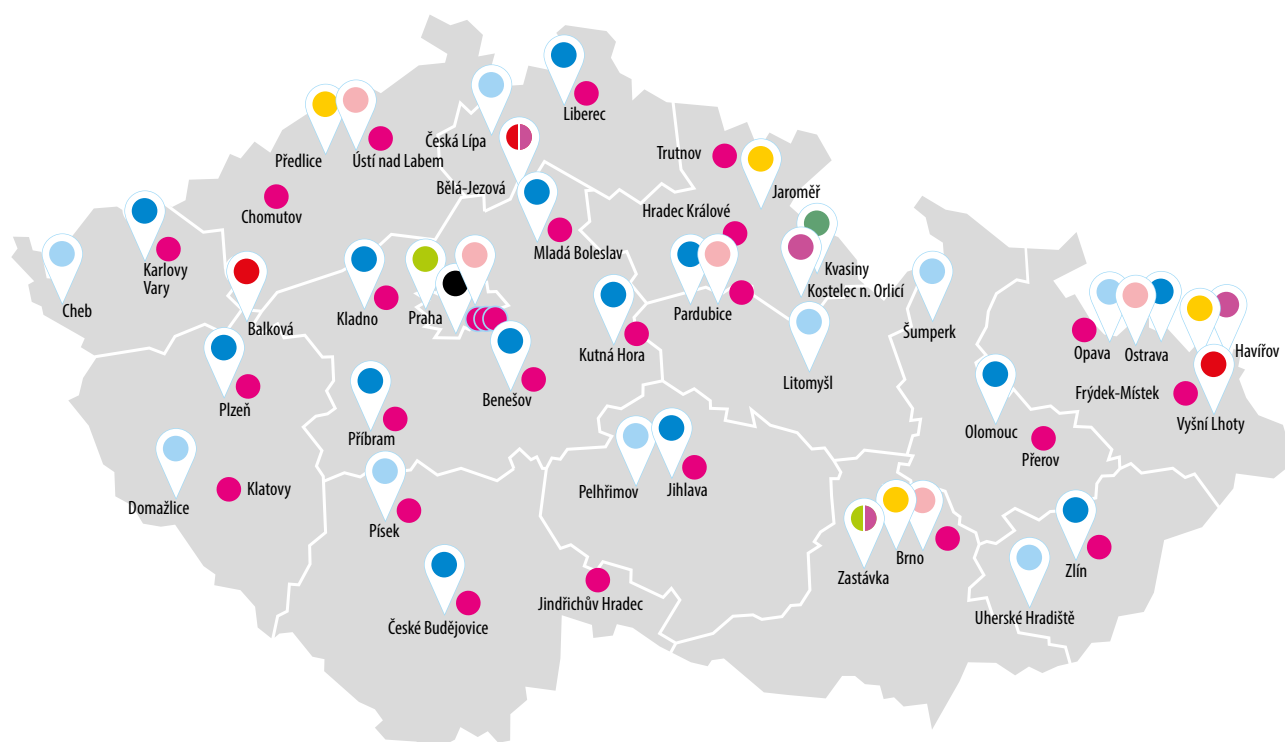


REFUGEE FACILITIES ADMINISTRATION
OF THE MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR

LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

RFA MOI	Refugee Facilities Administration of the Ministry of the Interior	EASO	European Asylum Support Office
FDF	Facilities for the Detention of Foreigners	MEDEVAC	Medical Humanitarian Program of the Ministry of the Interior
RecC	Reception Centre	EU	European Union
RecC and ResC	Reception and Residential Centre	AMIF	Asylum, Migration, and Integration Fund
ResC	Residential Centre	PCR	Police of the Czech Republic
IAC	Integration Asylum Centre	LO	Labour Office
CSIF	Centre for Support of Integration of Foreigners	MEYPE	Ministry of Education, Youth, and Physical Education
SIP	State Integration Program	HSMOI	Health Service of the Ministry of the Interior
GPIS	General Provider of Integration Services	SB	State budget
DAMP	Department for Asylum and Migration Policy of the Ministry of the Interior	RACFU	Regional Assistance Centre for Ukraine
UNHCR	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees	RHC	Registration Humanitarian Centre
IOM	International Organization for Migration	TEA	Temporary Emergency Accommodation

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OPENING REMARKS BY THE DIRECTOR

Dear readers,

once again after a year, the annual report of the Refugee Facilities Administration of the Ministry of the Interior (hereinafter referred to as the "RFA MOI") for the year 2022 is now in your hands, and through this Report we would like to present our activities for the past year.

It was a crucial and demanding year, which brought many difficult challenges to the RFA MOI and to the Czech Republic as a whole. Russia's aggression against Ukraine displaced more than eight million refugees, tens of thousands of whom streamed into the Czech Republic on a weekly basis immediately after the outbreak of the conflict. For the first time in the history of the EU, the concept of temporary protection has been activated, and with it an unprecedented wave of solidarity with refugees lifted up through Czech society.

RFA MOI employees have been on the front line since the beginning of the migration wave, facing this challenge head-on and playing a crucial role in providing accommodation and basic needs to Ukrainian refugees. After the initial humanitarian phase of the Ukrainian crisis, another major challenge arose in the form of the integration of incoming refugees, in which our Centres for Support of Integration of Foreigners (CSIFs) have played an indispensable role, whose scope and ranks have expanded over the past year in view of the needs of the rapidly growing foreign population in the Czech Republic.

In addition to massive migration from Ukraine, another migration crisis occurred during the past year in the form of an unprecedented increase in illegal transit migration through the Czech Republic, which surpassed the previous record for the number of caught migrants from 2015 several times over.

The increased flow of irregular transit migration had a major impact on our Facilities for the Detention of Foreigners (FDF), whose enormous workload resulted, among other things, in the activation of crisis capacities. Colleagues at the FDF did not rest until September, when the influx of detained foreigners began to weaken and the situation slowly stabilized.

But every crisis also means an opportunity. For us, the crisis of 2022 also meant an opportunity to show the public and our partner organizations who we are, what our role is, what facilities we have, and that we are very flexible and have the necessary know-how. And above all, that our employees are capable and willing to make a huge commitment and have their hearts in the right place.

So let me take this opportunity to thank all my colleagues, the employees of RFA MOI, for the great work they have done over the last few years. Thank you also to our external collaborators, partners and cooperating institutions, partners from the non-profit sector, with whom we have been able to significantly expand our cooperation over the past year.

Mgr. et Mgr. Pavel Bacík

Director of RFA MOI

FDF Bělá-Jezová



MISSION AND STRUCTURE

The Refugee Facilities Administration of the Ministry of the Interior (RFA MOI) is a government organization which falls under the authority of the First Deputy Minister of the Interior for the Section of the Internal Security and Police Education (since 1. January 2023 Director General of the Section of the Internal Security and Police Education).

The RFA MOI was established on 1 January 1996 by separation from the former department for refugees (now the Department of Asylum and Migration Policy – DAMP) in order to separate the execution of state administration asylum policy and the administrative procedure for granting asylum from providing services to applicants for international protection. The RFA MOI has become a practical implementer of a major part of the national asylum, migration, and integration policy.

ACTIVITIES OF RFA MOI

One of the key roles of the RFA MOI is the operation of its facilities and providing services and other activities to implement part of the national asylum, migration and integration policy. The RFA MOI cooperates with other units of the Ministry of the Interior of the Czech Republic – the Department of Asylum and Migration Policy (DAMP), Police of the Czech Republic (PCR), the Health Service of the Ministry of the Interior (HSMOI), and other government, as well as non-government organizations.

The RFA MOI activities are defined in particular by Act 326/1999, Sb., on the Residence of Foreigners in the Territory of the Czech Republic, and by Act 325/1999, Sb., on Asylum. The RFA MOI activities are governed by a Foundation Deed.

RFA MOI:

- operates several types of facilities – Reception Centres (RecC), Residential Centres (ResC), Integration Asylum Centres (IAC), Facilities for the Detention of Foreigners (FDF),
- provides services therein to various categories of foreigners based on their legal status – applicants for international protection, international protection holders, detained foreigners,
- is a general provider of integration services for international protection holders who are included in the State Integration Program.
- operates Centres for Support of Integration of Foreigners for foreigners in ten regions of the Czech Republic,
- operates the Coordination Centre for Foreigners in the Kvasiny Industrial Zone
- arranges voluntary returns of former applicants for international protection to their countries of origin
- provides economic and logistical service for the DAMP MOI.

RFA MOI CLIENTS

RFA MOI clients include all categories of foreigners staying in the territory of the Czech Republic. Based on their legal status, they can be divided into the following categories:

Applicant for International Protection

A foreigner who has applied for international protection in the Czech Republic or in another EU Member State, and the Czech Republic is competent to consider this application. International protection means either asylum or subsidiary protection. Reception and Residential Centres serve these foreigners.

Asylum Holder/ Person with Subsidiary Protection

A foreigner who has been granted international protection, either in the form of asylum or subsidiary protection. That person has the same rights and obligations as a foreigner with permanent residence permit (e.g. access to the job market, health care, or social services). Unlike asylum, subsidiary protection is granted for a definite period of time after which it is examined whether the reasons for which it was granted persist. These foreigners can join the State Integration Program and stay in an Integration Asylum Centre.

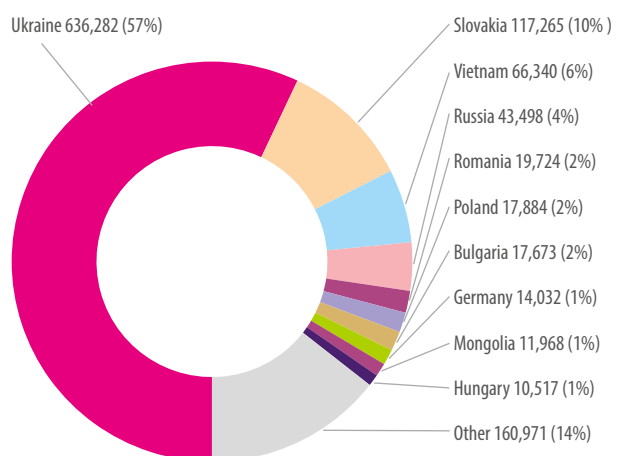
Detained Foreigner

A foreigner who entered or resided in the territory of the Czech Republic (European Union) illegally. These foreigners were detained to be administratively removed or transferred/ surrendered under International Convention or directly applicable EU legal instrument. These foreigners are detained in the Facilities for the Detention of Foreigners.

Foreigner with Legal Residence Permit

A foreigner who legally resides and works in the Czech Republic. These foreigners can use the services of the Centre for Support of Integration of Foreigners and the Coordination Centre for Foreigners in the Kvasiny Industrial Zone.

NUMBER OF FOREIGNERS WITH LEGAL RESIDENCE IN CZ BY NATIONALITY – IN TOTAL 1,116,154



According to the DAMP statistics as of 31. 12. 2022

FACILITIES OPERATED BY RFA MOI

ASYLUM FACILITIES

Reception Centres (RecC)

These Centres serve for the accommodation of newcomer applicants for international protection for the duration of the basic entry procedures, including identification of persons, submission of application for international protection, and medical examination. The applicants are provided with accommodation, meals, basic sanitary supplies, health care, social and psychological services, and leisure time activities. The applicants are not free to leave the facility.

The RFA MOI operates a Reception Centre in the transition zone of Prague International Airport of Václav Havel (outer Schengen border), and a Reception Centre in Zastávka.

Residential Centres (ResC)

Following the entry procedures at the Reception Centre, the applicants for international protection (those who cannot provide for their own accommodation) can stay in one of the Residential Centres until their application is processed (within the competence of DAMP). They are free to leave the Centre, and they receive financial allowances and prepare their own meals. The applicants may use the services of social workers, and choose from a variety of leisure time activities, voluntary Czech language courses, legal and psychological assistance.

The RFA MOI operates Residential Centres in Kostelec nad Orlicí, Havířov, Zastávka and Bělá-Jezová.

Integration Asylum Centres (IAS)

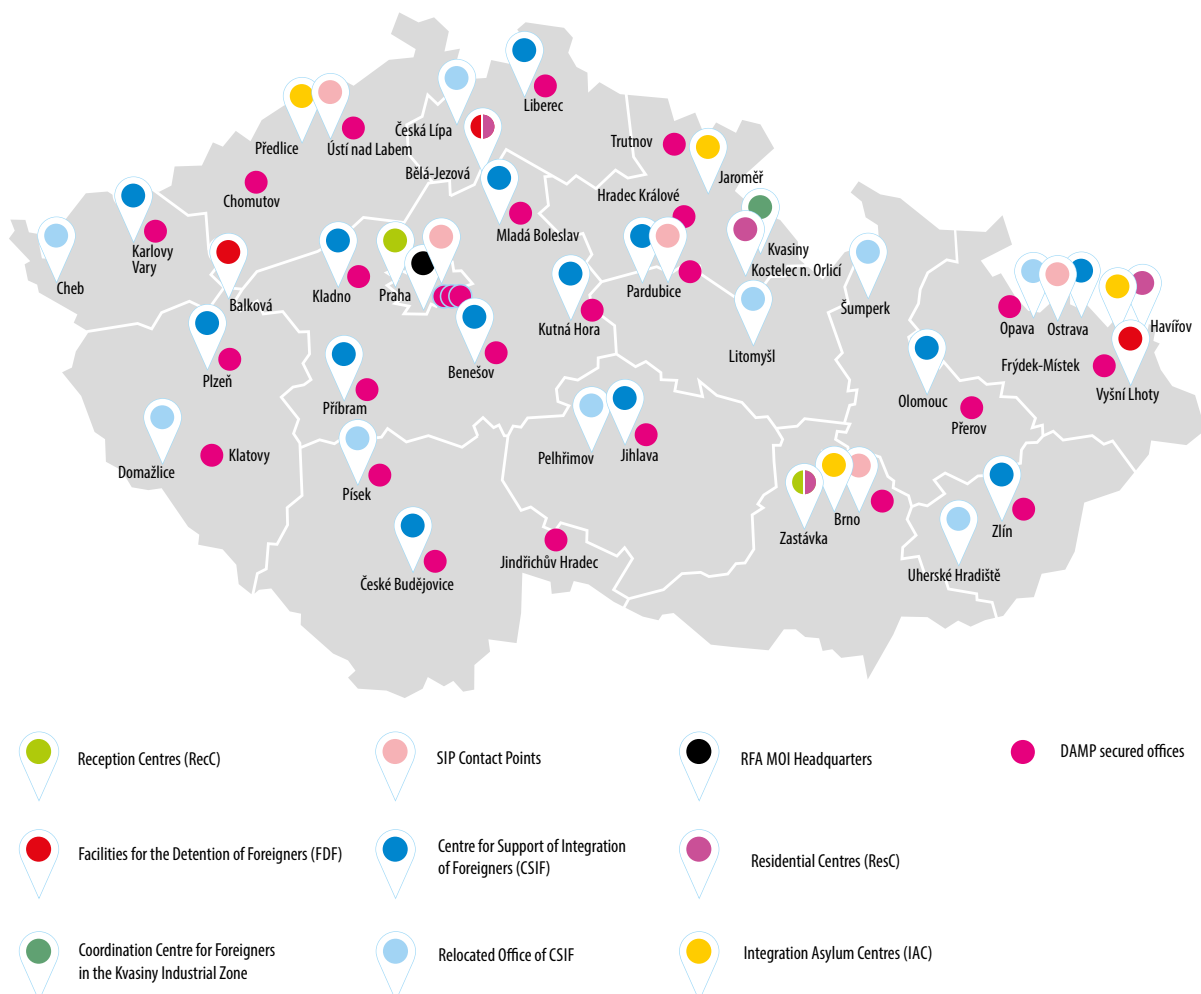
Integration Asylum Centres serve as temporary accommodation of persons who have been granted international protection in the form of asylum, or subsidiary protection, joined the State Integration Program, and who cannot provide for their own accommodation. The persons accommodated in those Centres are provided with assistance of social workers, counselling focused on getting accommodation, employment, and other integration services, including Czech language courses which are the flagship of the State Integration Program activities. The maximum length of stay of foreigners is 18 months; however, most of them stay for a considerably shorter period of time.

The RFA MOI operates IACs in Brno, Jaroměř, Havířov, and Ústí nad Labem - Předlice.

FACILITIES FOR THE DETENTION OF FOREIGNERS (FDF)

These facilities are designed for the detention of foreigners who have been issued a decision on administrative removal and on detention from the Foreign Police. Foreigners who shall be transferred to another EU Member State under the Dublin Regulation and who may be suspected of fleeing, are also placed in the FDF. Also, those foreigners who are detained under the Act on Asylum can stay in the FDF. Only a person above the age of 15 may be detained.

The Police of the Czech Republic carries out the external surveillance, and a private security agency provides for the internal surveillance of the FDF. The DAMP personnel have an office in the FDF.



Foreigners are provided with accommodation, meals, and other material needs. Clients can use the services of social workers, leisure time instructors, psychological and legal services, and emergency health care provided by the Health Service of the Ministry of the Interior (HSMOI).

The RFA MOI operates two FDFs for single men, in Vyšní Lhoty and in Balková. One FDF serves for single women, families with children, and other vulnerable groups of persons, and provides conditions respecting their specific needs. Single men are not accommodated there. This special FDF is located in Bělá pod Bezdězem – Jezová.

Most of the RFA MOI facilities also serve as storage premises for the DAMP residential offices, where the RFA MOI employees provides substantial part of the services and maintenance of these offices.

INTEGRATION OF FOREIGNERS AND INTERNATIONAL PROTECTION HOLDERS

State Integration Program

The main mission of the State Integration Program is to support the integration of persons whom the Czech Republic has granted international protection.

Under the Act No 325/1999 Sb., on Asylum, and Government Resolution No. 36 of 16 January 2017, the RFA MOI is designated as the general provider of integration services.

One of the major aims of the RFA MOI in the integration of international protection holders is especially to guide them to be independent and responsible in their lives. The support, including financial assistance, is focused on priority areas of housing, employment, education, and Czech language courses which are conducted under the auspices of the Ministry of Education.

We provide integration services through our own contact points in Prague, Brno, Ústí nad Labem, Pardubice and Ostrava. Furthermore, in Integration Asylum Centres and also on the basis of contractual relations with non-profit organizations.

International protection holders can stay in Integration Asylum Centres if they have no other place to stay.

Centres for Support of Integration of Foreigners

The Centres and their activities are a key tool of the government policy "Concept of Integration of Foreigners".

The RFA MOI operates Centres in ten regions: Moravia-Silesia, Pardubice, Pilsen, Zlín, Karlovy Vary, Liberec, South Bohemia, Olomouc, Vysočina, and in Central Bohemia with offices in five important Central Bohemian cities (Mladá Boleslav, Kladno, Příbram, Benešov, and Kutná Hora). Since 2022, permanent relocated offices have been operating in nine regions, namely in Česká Lípa, Domažlice, Cheb, Litomyšl, Pelhřimov, Písek, Opava, Šumperk and Uherské Hradiště.

In the remaining regions, other organizations run similar centres. In Prague, it is the Integration Centre Prague o.p.s., whose founder is the Prague City Hall. The South Moravian Region, in cooperation with other partners, operates the Centre for Foreigners of the South Moravian Region. The Centre for the Support of the Integration of Foreigners in the

Ústí nad Labem Region is operated by the Counselling Centre for Integration, o.s. The Diocesan Catholic Charity Hradec Králové operates the Integration Centre for Foreigners in the Hradec Králové Region.

The target group of the Centres operated by the RFA MOI are foreigners with legal long-term residence permit in the Czech Republic and persons who have been granted international protection. The Centres offer free Czech language courses, social and legal counselling, adaptation and integration courses, socio-cultural courses, carry out information activities and provide other services to these foreigners.

An important activity of the Centres is to assist individual municipalities and citizens by coordinating and participating in the activities of regional platforms, which are a meeting place of all stakeholders in integration of foreigners in a particular region (labour offices, foreign police, NGOs, municipalities, schools, etc.). The platforms identify concrete problems and help coordinate individual actors, provide for better exchange of information, respond to current needs. Every year, thousands of foreigners from dozens of countries use the services of the Centres.

On the basis of the amendment to Act No.326/1999 Sb., on the Residence of Foreigners in the territory of the Czech Republic, the Centres have been organising adaptation and integration courses for selected groups of foreigners since 1 January 2021. The aim of the course is to acquaint foreigners with the rights and obligations arising from their residence in the Czech Republic, with the fundamental values of the Czech Republic, with the local conditions and with the cultural customs prevailing in the Czech Republic. At the same time, they are provided with information about organizations and institutions providing free counselling to foreigners.

The target group is mainly foreigners from third countries coming to the Czech Republic for newly granted long-term residence or permanent residence without fulfilling the condition of previous residence. Exceptions from the obligation to take this course include citizens of the European Union and their family members, family members of a citizen of the Czech Republic, persons with a long-term residence permit for the purpose of studying in the territory, persons who have been granted a visa and persons who have not reached the age of 15 or have reached the age of 61 at the time the decision on residence in the territory becomes final.

Coordination Centre for Foreigners in the Kvasiny Industrial Zone

The establishment of the Coordination Centre for Foreigners in the Kvasiny Industrial Zone was stipulated by Government Resolution No. 388 of 22 May 2017. This Centre complements the network of Centres for Support of Integration of Foreigners. Its establishment is part of the measures solving a deteriorating situation in the industrial zone and its neighbourhood due to the increased employment of foreigners.

The establishment of the Coordination Centre for Foreigners in the Kvasiny Industrial Zone which serves both the foreigners and citizens of the respective towns and municipalities is a priority instrument promoting a long-term solution of the situation and prevention of negative phenomena related to the employment of foreigners.

7,000
clients
passed through
the RHC and TEA
Vyšní Lhoty



SIGNIFICANT EVENTS IN 2022

TEMPORARY PROTECTION FOR CITIZENS OF UKRAINE

Ubytovaniukrajina

Already in preparation for a possible refugee wave from Ukraine, in view of the escalation of the situation in Ukrainian-Russian relations, the RFA MOI established on 23 February 2022 the email address ubytovaniukrajina@suz.cz. The address was used to offer collective accommodation in case one of the scenarios of the conflict development in Ukraine anticipated by the Ministry of the Interior would occur, according to which the RFA MOI was obliged to provide accommodation for the first 5,000 newcomers (the so-called SUZ 5000). Immediately after the publication, the first offers started to arrive.

The following day, the Russian invasion of Ukraine broke out on a scale that surpassed the darkest scenarios. A huge wave of solidarity rose up in Czech society, and just in the first few hours, hundreds of accommodation offers flooded the e-mail inbox, ranging from free couches in homes to large accommodation facilities from all over the Czech Republic. Our team went through and sorted all the offers. Offers of collective accommodation with meal provision were approached for use as contract capacities within SUZ 5000 and later passed on to the Czech Fire Rescue Service for use in the newly formed RACFU. Offers of a smaller scale were sorted by region and intermediated to CSIFs and other Centres who could use them to link with those in need.

The new offers were redirected to the newly established official portal of the Ministry of Interior, nasiukrajinci.cz, a week later. In the short period of operation of ubytovaniukrajina@suz.cz, over 8,000 emails with offers were received, of which about 5,000 were forwarded to the regions and 1,924 people found

accommodation through CSIF just in the first wave. Another approx. 200 offers of accommodation were contacted and used together with other state and commercial facilities to increase the capacities of the RFA MOI to about 5,000 beds.

Registration Humanitarian Centre Vyšní Lhoty

In response to the Russian aggression against Ukraine and the expected influx of Ukrainian refugees, the Registration Humanitarian Centre (RHC) was established on 26 February 2022 in the existing Facility for the Detention of Foreigners Vyšní Lhoty, intended for the registration and short-term stay of refugees from Ukraine. Within a very short period of time, the conditions in the facility were adapted to the new type of clients, and especially for a larger number of clients with up to 600 people per day flowing into the facility, and their huge turnover, when they usually stayed in the facility only overnight.

The facility was chosen because of its proximity to the state border, sufficient capacity and trained staff who have long been used to working with different groups of foreigners. However, its workload was enormous to the extent that colleagues from all the facilities of the RFA MOI, including the Prague headquarters, assisted in the facility.

On 1 April 2022, the RHC was transformed into the Temporary Emergency Accommodation (TEA) also for this group of clients and at the same time a part of the Bělá-Jezová facility was allocated for the same purpose. Until the closure of the facility and the reopening of the FDF, which took place on 1 July 2022, almost 7,000 clients from Ukraine who were accommodated in RFA MOI passed through the RHC and TEA Vyšní Lhoty.





RACFU

Due to the arrival of a large number of Ukrainian refugees to the Czech Republic, a state of emergency was declared on 4 March 2022. In the first week of March, Regional Assistance Centres for Ukraine, (RACFU), were gradually established in all the regions of the Czech Republic, where incoming Ukrainians could apply for temporary protection, secure accommodation and arrange other necessities. The first weeks of operation of RACFU were very dynamic, as on some days over 10,000 people a day came to register.

From the beginning, the RFA MOI has been involved in the operation of RACFU in all regions through colleagues from the Centres for Support of Integration of Foreigners, from individual facilities and from the Prague headquarters. Initially, our involvement was mainly related to the coordination of accommodation in the remaining capacities of the SUZ 5000 and subsequently colleagues from CSIF continued their information and coordination activities. In addition, the RFA MOI also had representation in the National Assistance Centre for Ukraine, the so-called NACFU, which served to coordinate the RACFU at the national level.

Accommodation of vulnerable groups of refugees from Ukraine

Since the beginning of the Ukraine crisis, requests for accommodation of very vulnerable groups have emerged within accommodation of refugees, first in the framework of a government resolution, the so-called SUZ 5000, and later during passing most of the contracted capacities to the administration of the regions.

This designation stemmed from the practice where Ukrainian Roma groups were generally intertwined by close family ties across extended families, commonly up to the upper dozens of members. It was not only this that distinguished them from other Ukrainian refugees. By coming mostly from excluded localities in Transcarpathia, families were often

illiterate, dependent on cohesion, and children were not used to a controlled daily routine or regular school attendance. Their different lifestyles, exponentiated by the high numbers of arrivals, were therefore very different from what we as an organization are normally used to.

In April, on the basis of the adopted Government Resolution No. 284/2022, the capacities of Vyšní Lhota and Bělá-Jezová facilities were allocated for Ukrainian Roma refugees. Both the employees of the RFA MOI and other civic organizations specializing in working with these people were involved in working with this specific target group. As a rule, Ukrainian Roma spent a short period of time in our facilities, and there was a strong turnover of newcomers which was associated with long-term over-performance of the staff. However, it was not sustainable in the long term to manage this refugee wave with internal capacities. Therefore, the RFA MOI approached private facilities with the possibility of cooperation in accommodation. However, over 100 facilities identified and approached declined.

However, thanks to the diligence and energy of the RFA MOI employees and NGO collaborators focused on this community, many families were able to integrate outside of the RFA MOI capacities. In cooperation with NGOs, adaptation courses were also held in languages specifically for the needs of Ukrainian Roma refugees. Our organization continued to support RACFU in its work with Ukrainian Roma refugees.

During May, the high numbers of arrivals continued to persist and there was a change within lustration – due to this, a so-called tent city (waiting room) was also established in Troja to give refugees a place to stay for the necessary length of time (see below).

In addition to accommodation in the facilities of the RFA MOI, private capacities have been contracted since May and it has been possible to start non-institutional housing focused on

integration processes for refugees who were interested in connecting their lives with the Czech Republic in the long term (Kramolín, Luby, Třešť).

During the summer months, the situation stabilized despite the constant changes in the composition of the clients and from the winter months of 2022, the participation of the RFA MOI in the provision of housing, intensive social and assistance services was no longer necessary.

Romani Ukrainian persons in facilities managed by our organization according to HUMPO

Třešť	Kramolín	Luby	Slavkov	Troja	Vyšní Lhoty	Bělá-Jezová	In total
112	30	80	11	1358	1226	2074	4891

Tent City in Troja

Due to the lack of accommodation capacity in Prague, a Tent City was established in May 2022 on the land between Povltavská Street and the city ring road. The tents were intended to relieve the congested Main Railway Station, where hundreds of refugees from Ukraine, mostly of Roma origin, were staying. The refugees staying in Troja were refugees for whom proceedings had been initiated and who, according to the law, had a chance of obtaining temporary protection visas, but were at the moment waiting for the allocation of more permanent housing.

The basic facilities consisted of ten tents with a capacity of 150 beds, sanitary facilities, showers, toilets, tents for food distribution, tents for the Red Cross, storage supplies, but also, for example, a children's play area.

Temporary accommodation was provided by the Prague City Hall in cooperation with the Refugee Facilities Administration of the Ministry of the Interior, the non-profit organisations Romodrom and RomPraha, and representatives of the Fire Rescue Service and the Red Cross.

Our main task in this project was to coordinate the reception, departure and registration of accommodated clients and to transfer our know-how in working with clients to the cooperating units in a number of operational situations.

Between 14 May and 12 September 2022, our employees registered 1,440 clients, of which 70 men, 382 women, 988 children.

Employees from all Refugee Facilities Administration facilities were physically present in the Troja Tent City from 12 May to 12 July 2022, from this date onwards, RFA was represented in the Troja Tent City only on the phone by employees from Ruzyně RecC on day/night shifts, as well as commuting in case of larger client intakes. On 17 September 2022, this cooperation was terminated with the closure of the tTnt City.

Expansion of CSIF network

In relation to the increased need for integration activities and the significant increase in the number of clients in 2022 (see below), especially in relation to the huge refugee wave from Ukraine, and also in relation to the involvement of CSIF staff in the functioning of the regional RACFU, it was decided to increase the number of permanent offices of the Centres for Support of Integration of Foreigners.

Thus, in the second half of 2022, nine permanent relocated CSIF offices were established in nine regions, namely in Česká Lípa, Domažlice, Cheb, Litomyšl, Pelhřimov, Písek, Opava, Šumperk and Uherské Hradiště.

There are always three CSIF staff members at each relocated office with excellent knowledge of the local environment, the actors of integration services, and especially the foreign community, with whom they work intensively at the office and in the field.



Tent City in Troja was operated by the Prague City Hall in cooperation with the RFA MOI, NGOs Tomodrom and RomPraha and representatives of the Fire Rescue Service and Red Cross

INCREASED FLOW OF IRREGULAR MIGRATION

Since May 2022, there has been a significant increase in irregular migration in transit through our territory, related both to the high numbers of foreigners transiting through the Czech Republic without residence permits and to the measures taken at the internal borders in neighbouring countries (Hungary, Austria, Slovakia). The vast majority of the detected cases involved third-country nationals, most often Syrian nationals. The numbers of foreigners detected exceeded the numbers from the biggest migration crisis of recent years in 2015 many times over.

The capacity of the Facilities for the Detention of Foreigners was soon exhausted and the FDF Vyšní Lhoty had to be reopened, but even that was not enough, and the capacity had to be further increased to a crisis level of more than 1,100 beds.

However, the situation was still critical and the workload of all three FDFs was enormous until 1 September 2022, when the Police of the Czech Republic established two registration centres in Breclav and Holešov.

The situation finally stabilized after the introduction of controls at the Czech-Slovak border on 29 September 2022, and thus the suppression of transit irregular migration.

INTEGRATION OF EVACUATED AFGHAN INTERPRETERS

In August 2021, the Czech Army evacuated under very dramatic circumstances 33 families of Afghan collaborators of the Czech Army and employees of the Czech Embassy from Kabul, which at that time, like the whole of Afghanistan, was already controlled by the radical Islamist Taliban movement. 28 families decided to stay in the Czech Republic and start a new life here.

After granting international protection in the form of asylum in September and October, the number of Afghan interpreters and collaborators who entered the SIP at the end of 2021 was

124. During 2022, two families decided to relocate to other countries, leaving 116 of this group in SIP at the end of the year, representing 27 integration plans.

Due to the rapidity of events, the integration process of the evacuated Afghans had to be carried out as quickly and efficiently as possible. A number of RFA MOI facilities and staff were involved, and the RFA MOI made also use of the expert voice of persons familiar with this community.

The clients from Afghanistan proved to be well motivated, which was reflected, among other things, in their participation in free basic Czech language courses within the SIP. They were also very keen on quick employment and welcomed the opportunity to rent municipal flats provided by a number of local governments after requests from the Ministry's leadership.

On the other hand, there was a high ratio of dependents (children and elderly) to working age people in Afghan families, with immediate consequences for the integration potential of those concerned.

For many families, the traditional distribution of gender and generational roles also had a negative impact, undermining the equal economic and educational participation of all members of such households. The average number of persons in an Afghan evacuated household was 4.3 at the end of 2022. Afghans from this group live in 11 cities and municipalities.

COMMISSIONING OF THE WATER AND WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT IN FDF BALKOVA

In connection with the long-planned and necessary operation of the kitchen at FDF Balková, a new water and wastewater treatment plant had to be built first.

The site is supplied with water from its own borehole. However, the raw water from this borehole contains excessive





concentrations of iron and manganese and therefore needs to be treated.

The original water treatment plant was technologically obsolete and did not meet current standards. The original technology had to be replaced and the water treatment plant had to be fundamentally renovated.

After the reconstruction, which took place in 2022, the water treatment plant has two-stage filtration with pre-aeration and automatic dosing of disinfectants, which enables the distribution of hygienic water throughout the site.

The construction of the wastewater treatment plant co-financed by the AMIF started in the first half of September 2020. The original leaky and impermeable outflow pipe, including the control manholes from the WWTP building to the outlet building, was replaced with a new PVC pipe of approximately 2,000 metres and new manholes. The entire route was routed along the existing line of the original route.

Subsequently, the construction of the new WWTP facility itself was built on the FDF site. The test operation started on 1 October 2021 and the official approval for using was given on 26 October 2022.

CONSTRUCTION AND COMMISSIONING OF THE KITCHEN AND CANTEEN IN THE FDF BALKOVÁ

The reconstruction of the kitchen in Balková, where the meals were previously served to clients by delivery and then heated, was implemented from 2021 as part of an investment project co-financed by AMIF. The construction was completed in the autumn of 2022 and the preparation and serving of meals to clients started from 1 January 2023.

The overall layout of the kitchen and canteen was designed according to current knowledge of gastronomy and complies with both hygiene and safety regulations designed for the preparation of hot and cold meals.

The kitchen technology has been set for a considered capacity of 500 meals. The layout of the kitchen is such that on the 1st above ground floor there are storage rooms, cooling and freezing boxes and staff background facilities, and on the 2nd above ground floor there is the canteen itself, including a staff area, a cooking room and kitchen facilities. Both floors are connected by a lift.

At the same time as the kitchen reconstruction work was being carried out, related activities were carried out, such as replacing the existing grease trap outside the building, installing a camera and meal system in the canteen and installing additional security features in the meal service and canteen.

COOPERATION WITH UNICEF

In late 2022, the existing collaboration between RFA MOI and UNICEF culminated in the award of a grant that provided RFA MOI with two years of funding to support the needs of refugee children to ensure their access to appropriate integrated support services.

The primary objective of this support is to strengthen the staff capacity of the Centres for Support of Integration of Foreigners, particularly with regard to the special needs of vulnerable refugee children and families.

This includes, for example, providing interpretation to/from the Ukrainian language, counselling and assistance with orientation in the Czech environment for foreigners with temporary protection, expanding the services offered by the CSIF by offering psychosocial counselling directly on the premises of the CSIF or with cooperating organizations, or direct support for refugee children through community and conversation clubs and the establishment of children corners.

The contract for this support was signed on 9 December 2022. The grant in the total amount of CZK 179,260,117 can be used until the end of 2024.

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STATISTICS

The year 2022 was a very specific year in terms of the types of clients to whom RFA MOI provided services, as well as in terms of frequent changes in the purpose and volume of accommodation capacities, which makes the data more difficult to interpret.

In addition to the usual groups of foreigners, i.e. applicants for international protection, holders of international and subsidiary protection, detained and accommodated foreigners, foreigners accommodated on an exceptional basis (in particular due to leave to remain in the territory), the RFA MOI also provided accommodation and services to holders of temporary protection, or persons accompanying them or intending to apply for temporary protection.

The first months of the year were the most difficult, when in January and February the restrictions related to the COVID-19 pandemic were still in force and the quarantine facility at the RecC Bělá-Jezová, intended for the reception of new clients of the RFA MOI, both applicants for international protection and detained foreigners, was in operation on the basis of an emergency measure issued by the Ministry of the Interior, the Department of Health Security, as the public health protection authority, and at the same time on 26 February 2022, in connection with the conflict in Ukraine, the Registration Humanitarian Centre Vyšní Lhoty was established for the registration and short-term stay of refugees from Ukraine, which was changed on 1 April 2022 into the Temporary Emergency Accommodation also for this group of clients, and at the same time a part of the Bělá-Jezová facility was allocated for the same purpose.

At the same time, all other facilities had to operate in the standard mode, while the capacity of the Residential Centres was also partly used for accommodation of refugees from Ukraine not only those having status of applicants for international protection, but also status of temporary protection.

In addition to the capacities operated directly by the RFA MOI, in connection with the wave of refugees from Ukraine, the RFA MOI also contracted other accommodation capacities operated by other entities (both governmental and commercial), in which it coordinated the accommodation of

refugees from Ukraine and provided basic social assistance in cooperation with individual Regional Assistance Centres for Ukraine (RACFU).

ASYLUM FACILITIES

As mentioned above, 2022 was a non-standard year in terms of the number and types of clients. In the period from January to December 2022, a total of 8,488 newcomers arrived in asylum facilities (AFs), of which only 1,532 were applicants for international protection, holders of international or subsidiary protection, persons accommodated on an exceptional basis or holders of visa leave to remain, and 6,956 were refugees from Ukraine who were either registered only or temporarily accommodated in asylum facilities on an emergency, as well as standard basis.

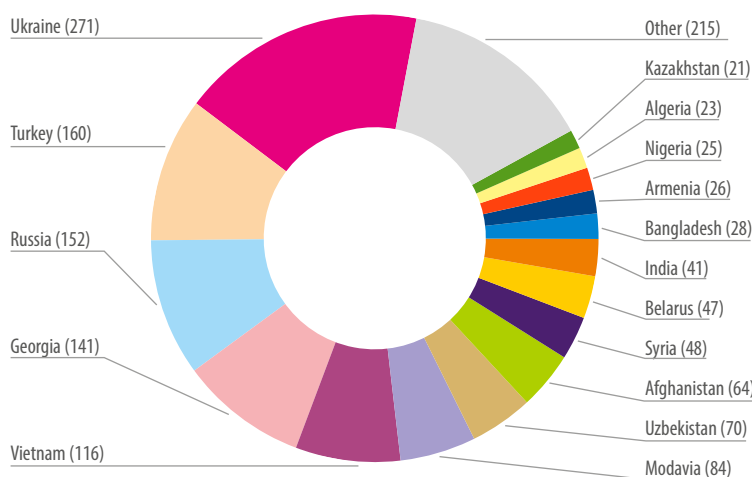
Compared to the same period in 2021, there was an increase of approximately 14.0% in the case of clients with links to international protection proceedings and an increase of 531.5% in the case of all clients receiving services in AF, with 1,344 new cases registered in AZF in 2021.

The number of new registrations fluctuated significantly throughout the year, with the lowest proportion (of all clients) recorded in August and December (1.2% of the total for the whole year). The highest proportion of newcomers, both applicants for international protection (15.0% of applicants in 2022) and of all clients, was in March (35.7% of all arrivals in AF), as a result of the admission of refugees affected by the war in Ukraine to asylum facilities. On average, a total of 707 persons arrived in AF per month (median 163) and 128 persons per month (median 113) in case of applicants for international protection; in 2021, the average was 112 cases per month.

The largest share of newcomers applying for international protection were citizens of Ukraine (271 persons, i.e. 17.7%), Turkey (160 persons, i.e. 10.4%) and Russia (152 persons, i.e. 9.9%); of the total number of clients in AF, up to 81.9% were recorded as citizens of Ukraine.

In 2021, the most common nationalities represented in arrivals were Ukraine, Georgia and Afghanistan.

ARRIVALS TO ASYLUM FACILITIES IN 2022 – ONLY APPLICANTS FOR INTERNATIONAL PROTECTION IN TOTAL 1,532



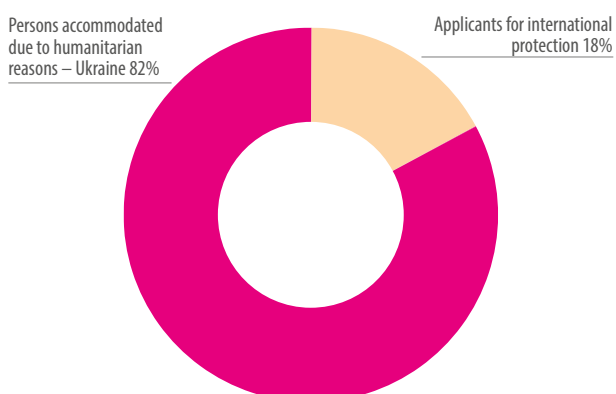
However, this is not the number of unique persons but cases. Upon re-entry of the same person into the asylum procedure, the person is registered as a new case (newcomer). According to data from the DAMP MOI CZ, in the period 2008 –2022, on average, 73.2% of applications for international protection were new and 26.8% were repeat applications.

599 applicants for international protection came from safe countries of origin, representing 39.1% of newcomers (52.6% of newcomers in 2021, 51.1% in 2020 and 34.8% in 2019). However, the number includes applicants for international protection from Ukraine, as the relevant decree has not been amended since 2019.

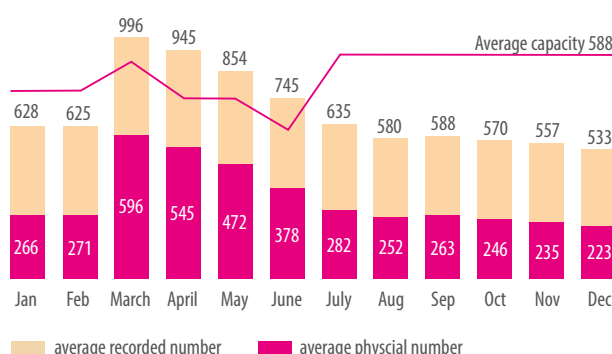
Out of the above number, 74 foreigners (with the intention to apply for international protection) arrived in the quarantine Reception Centre Bělá-Jezová in 2022; 64 in the Reception Centre Prague-Ruzyně, 1,117 to the Reception and Residence Centre Zastávka, 254 persons were relocated as applicants for international protection from the FDF, 18 persons came from hospital, prison or as persons accommodated on an exceptional basis and 5 children were born to applicants for international protection during their stay in AF in the mentioned period. There were 6,956 persons accommodated due to humanitarian reason – refugees from Ukraine.

15 applicants for international protection returned to AF from private accommodation or from the Integration Asylum Centre (IAS); 321 were re-entries after arbitrary departure, 28 persons were re-accommodated after an appeal against the decision of the administrative authority or after return to the proceedings, 7 persons were re-accommodated on the basis of an exception by the Director of the RFA MOI or before transfer to the responsible country (Dublin III), 2 persons returned to asylum facilities from detention in the FDF, 1 applicant returned from prison and 5 persons accommodated on humanitarian basis returned to AF after going to private accommodation.

Regarding the stay in the AF, as of 31.12.2022, the highest number of currently registered clients in all types of AF were of the following nationalities Ukraine (18.0%), Afghanistan (11.4%), Turkey (9.3%), Uzbekistan (5.8%), Russia (5.4%) and Georgia (5.2%); other nationalities were below 5%. As of 31.12.2021, the most clients that were physically present were clients of the following nationalities: Ukraine (23.9%), Afghanistan (20.8%), Azerbaijan, China, Myanmar (5.5% each); other nationalities were below 5%.



AVERAGE NUMBER OF PERSONS ACCOMMODATED IN ALL RECEPTION AND RESIDENCE CENTRES



INTEGRATION ASYLUM CENTRES

As of 31 December 2022, the RFA MOI operated a total of four Integration Asylum Centres with a total of 44 accommodation units for holders of international protection (occupied according to the size and nature of the families accommodated) with a maximum capacity of 124 beds.

The overall occupancy rate of the IAC was significant in 2022. At least once a year, three out of four IAC reached 100 per cent occupancy.

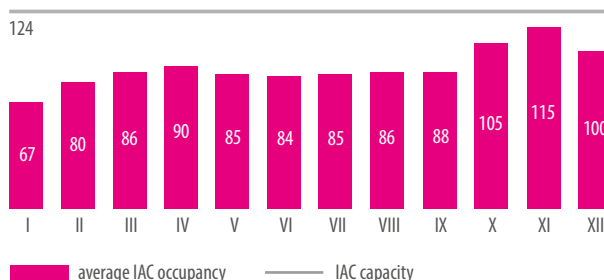
In view of the lower occupancy of the capacity of the Residential Centres in parallel with the high occupancy of the IAC, some persons with international protection were granted temporary accommodation in Residential Centres (ResC Kostelec nad Orlicí), especially with regard to ongoing care in a specific health facility or strong family ties in the site.

In the Havířov Residential and Integration Centre, since October, a part of the building otherwise designated as “residential” has also been used for the purpose of reserve capacity for the benefit of holders of international protection (up to 9 units with a total of 54 beds), and four persons have used it.

CAPACITY OF INTEGRATION ASYLUM CENTRES IN 2022

	Number of accommodation units	Number of beds
Předlice	10	22
Jaroměř	10	30
Brno	4	20
Havířov	20	52
In total	43	124

AVERAGE OCCUPANCY OF IAC ACCOMMODATION CAPACITY





FACILITIES FOR THE DETENTION OF FOREIGNERS

In 2022, a total of 2,669 detained and accommodated foreigners arrived at the FDF. This is an increase of 126.4% compared to the previous year – in 2021, 1,179 foreigners were newly accepted to the FDF. On average, 222 foreigners arrived in the FDF per month (but very unevenly, as the median is 84), with the highest number in August 2022 (33.1% of all arrivals in the reporting period); in 2021, the average was 98 persons per month.

Foreigners from Syria (1,459 persons, or 54.7%), Turkey (342 persons, or 12.8%) and Morocco (131 persons, or 4.9%) accounted for the largest share of arrivals. These three nationalities account for 72.4% of the total number of foreigners placed in 2021, citizens of Afghanistan, Ukraine and Morocco were the most frequently detained in the FDF.

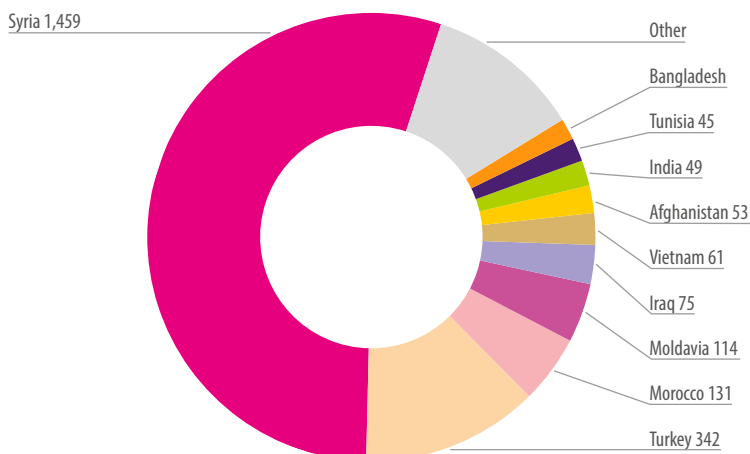
In relation to the COVID-19 pandemic, the quarantine facility of the RecC Bělá-Jezová, designed to receive new clients of the RFA MOI, both applicants for international protection and detained foreigners, established on the basis of an emergency measure issued by the Ministry of the Interior, Department of Health Security, as a public health protection authority, was still in operation until 31 March 2022 with a capacity of 65 beds, but only 4 clients were primarily placed there as detained foreigners.

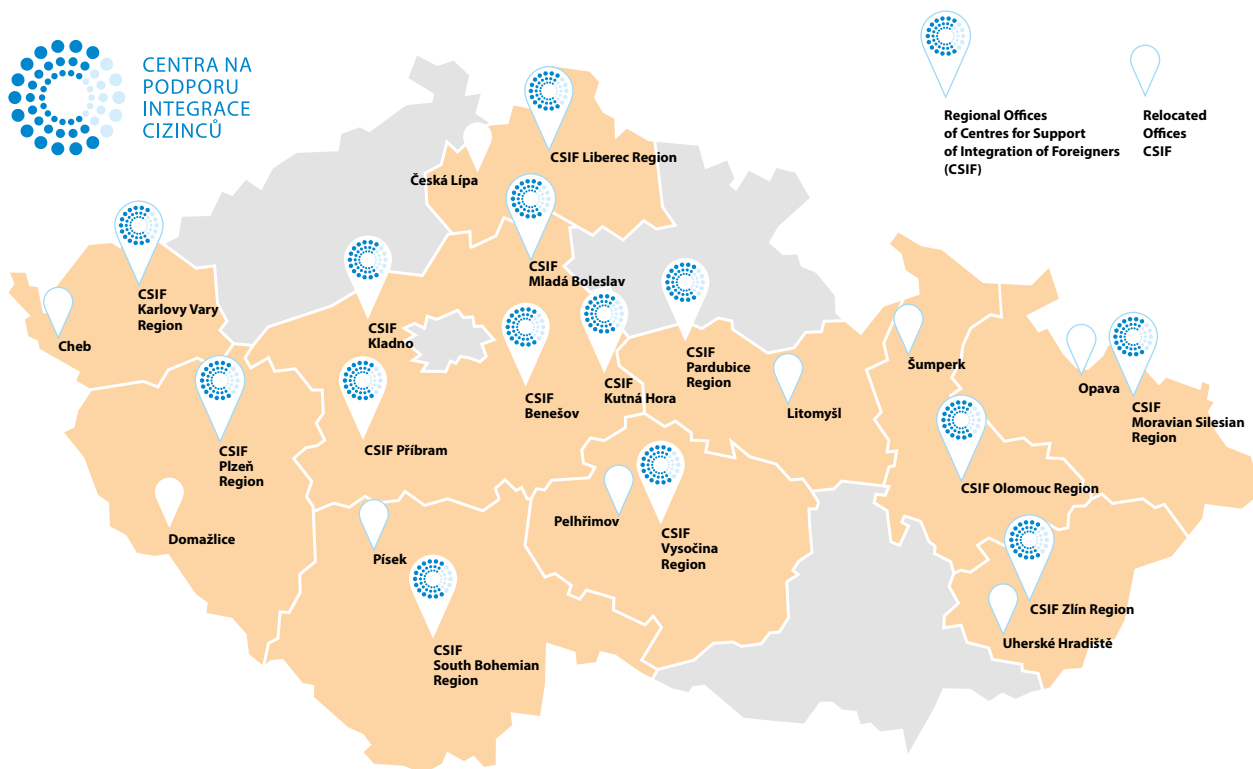
According to the social history, 82.6% of individuals and 17.4% of family members were placed in the FDF in 2022. Children and minors accounted for 8.5% of all new placements. By gender, males were clearly predominant, accounting for 95.3%, while females accounted for only 4.7%. The average age of the clients of the FDF was 26.8 years (median 25.5 years). In comparison, in 2021, 1,122 individuals (95.2%) and 57 (4.8%) family members were placed in the FDF. There were 114 children and minors (9.7% of all new placements). By gender, men were clearly predominant – 1,138 (96.5%), with only 41 (3.5%) women.

A total of 213 transfers were carried out between the different FDF (81 in 2021), 33 transfers were carried out from quarantine facilities to standard FDF, and 41 transfers were carried out from standard FDF to quarantine facilities.

The average length of stay in the FDF for foreigners leaving the FDF in 2022 was 36.9 days, the median length of stay was 17 days. The maximum length of stay was 319 days (1 foreigner of Egyptian nationality), the minimum 0 (2 foreigners of Syrian nationality).

ARRIVALS IN THE FACILITIES FOR THE DETENTION OF FOREIGNERS IN 2022 IN TOTAL 2,669





CENTRES FOR SUPPORT OF INTEGRATION OF FOREIGNERS

In 2022, the Refugee Facilities of MOI operated Centres for Support of Integration of Foreigners in the Moravian-Silesian, Pardubice, Pilsen, Zlín, Karlovy Vary, Liberec, South Bohemian, Olomouc, Vysočina and Central Bohemian Regions, which includes five offices in the cities of Mladá Boleslav, Příbram, Kutná Hora, Kladno and Benešov. During the year, nine relocated offices were opened to strengthen the capacity, namely in the Moravian-Silesian (Opava), Pardubice (Litomyšl), Plzeň (Domažlice), Zlín (Uherské Hradiště), Karlovy Vary (Cheb), Liberec (Česká Lípa), South Bohemian (Písek), Olomouc (Šumperk) and Vysočina (Pelhřimov) regions.

Since 1 July 2020, the Centres operated by the RFA MOI have been financed from the state budget pursuant to Act no. 176/2019 Sb., which amended Act no. 326/1999 Sb., on the Residence of Foreigners in the territory of the Czech Republic. On the basis of the same amendment, since 1 January 2021, the Centres have been organizing adaptation and integration courses compulsory for selected groups of foreigners.

In all regions, the Centres ensure the activity of regional counselling platforms, which serve to solve current problems of foreigners and to exchange information between stakeholder institutions, in particular between regional and municipal authorities, regional residence offices of DAMP MOI, foreign police, state and municipal police, labour offices, financial offices, trade offices, non-profit organizations and other entities. Representatives of the Centres are also involved in community planning of social services and the medium-term plan for the development of social services in some regions.

The services of the Centres for the target group of the projects are available not only in the regional cities, but also in other locations of each region, depending on the interest of foreigners from the target group (an overview of all locations where the services of the Centres have been

provided can be found in the Annex Overview of projects implemented within the framework of integration of foreigners and management of migration flows in 2022). In 2022, the main activities included the provision of social and legal counselling, interpreting, implementation of adaptation and integration courses, Czech language courses and socio-cultural orientation courses. The Centres initiate, connect and implement activities to support the social, legal and linguistic emancipation of foreigners in their regions. The Centres help clients to increase their skills and knowledge that contribute to their independence and self-sufficiency and thus facilitate their orientation in Czech society.

In 2022, the interest in the services of the Centres on the part of foreigners and the intensity of cooperation with other integration actors in the regions in question increased substantially in the context of the refugee wave caused by the war aggression of the Russian Federation against Ukraine. The staff of the Centres was fully involved in the sudden crisis, both by direct work at the Regional Assistance Centres for Ukraine (RACFU) in individual regions, by providing counselling directly at the Centres, by participating in crisis management and other strategic groups, and by providing interpreters and informing clients and the public about the current developments.

Thus, beyond their normal activities, the Centres were actively involved in the establishment and activities of RACFU, where their primary task was to provide accommodation for incoming Ukrainians without a background (they had no family, friends or employers in the Czech Republic with whom they could stay or did not otherwise have any accommodation). Gradually, accommodation in the contracted facilities of the RFA MOI with a capacity of more than 5,000 places was filled. A further 3,500 accommodation places were made available through voluntary offers of private accommodation received at the e-mail address set up specifically for this purpose (ubytovaniukrajina@suz.cz).

In addition, the Centres at RACFU were mainly dedicated to providing basic counselling to newly arrived

clients, identifying and providing follow-up assistance to particularly vulnerable groups or coordinating interpretation services. As part of the activities of CSIF staff at RACFU and DAMP, some form of counselling was provided to 133,306 Ukrainians who had applied for temporary protection in the Czech Republic.

Furthermore, the role of the Centres in this crisis was to provide counselling and support to clients within the fieldwork, monitoring and support to vulnerable groups and support to cities and municipalities where clients are accommodated.

In relation to the crisis, which resulted in the arrival of a large number of Ukrainian refugees in the Czech Republic, the Centres were provided with a grant from the Migrant and Refugee Fund obtained from the Council of Europe Development Bank. Within the grant, two activities were implemented – the purchase of Czech language textbooks for Ukrainian refugees, which were handed over to the clients directly or through cooperating organizations. The second activity was the implementation of activities supporting integration at the local level, aimed at supporting Ukrainian refugees through NGOs or social services. To this end, agreements were concluded with individual providers for work performed outside the employment relationship, which financed a wide range of services for Ukrainian refugees, from the provision of assistance and counselling services, setting up information booths, interpreting and providing humanitarian aid, to the organisation of leisure activities for children in the form of city camps, community and conversation clubs or tutoring, Czech language lessons and psychological counselling, including variously focused psychotherapy sessions. These activities were implemented in both outpatient and outreach form at various locations across the country, including RACFU, the Centre or at the headquarters of NGOs.

In general, the services offered by the Centres can be described as follows:

Social counselling is provided on an outpatient and outreach basis by the social workers of the Centres. The most frequent questions from clients on these issues are mainly related to residential issues, health insurance, housing, the labour market or social benefits. Also in 2022, social counselling was carried out in accordance with the Social Services Act (Act No. 108/2006 Sb.).

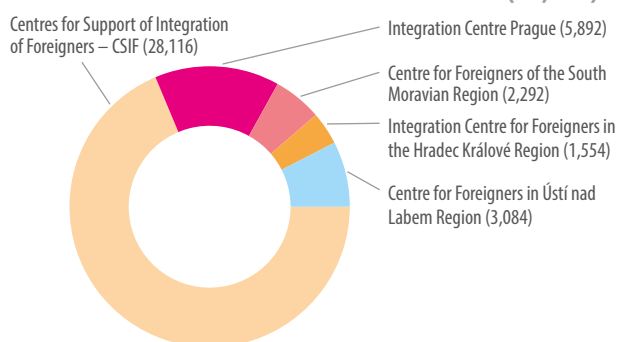
Legal counselling is provided through contracted partners, where a lawyer is present in each Centre (including the relocated offices) at the time of providing legal counselling, with whom clients can consult, for example, issues on residence, employment or family, or on debt and enforcement issues.

Czech language courses are divided into basic courses, which can be attended on a one-off basis and without prior registration, and intensive courses, which are designated for longer-term Czech language learning. For children and other vulnerable groups, individual courses are organized in justified cases, or courses for adults with a child, where childcare is provided during the lessons.

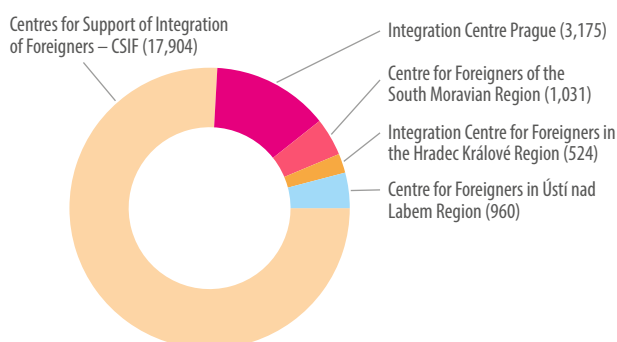
Courses of socio-cultural orientation were implemented mainly in the form of thematic seminars, lectures and discussions of foreigners with an expert on the subject. The topics of these courses responded to the demand from foreigners from the target group.

Adaptation and integration courses which are as of 1 January 2021 obligatory especially for foreigners from third countries coming to the Czech Republic for newly granted long-term residence or permanent residence without fulfilling the condition of previous residence, are organized by the Centres in two forms – as a public course, where foreigners can freely register, or as a non-public course, i.e. a course organized by the Centre in cooperation with a legal entity, e.g. an employer, for pre-determined foreigners. These courses are fee-based (public course CZK 1,500, non-public course CZK 800), led by expert lecturers and interpreted by certified interpreters into nine different languages, with additional, rarer languages also being permitted. Upon completion of the course, the foreigner will receive a certificate of completion, thus fulfilling their legal obligation.

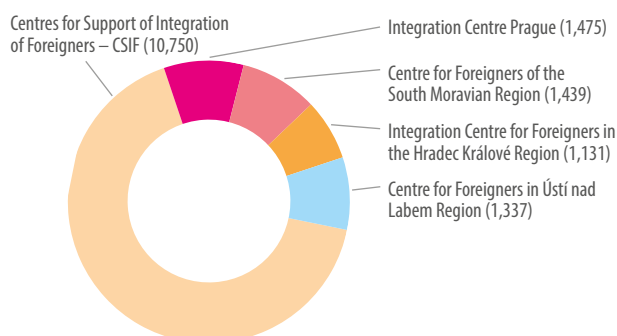
NUMBER OF UNIQUE CLIENTS WHO USED THE SERVICES OF THE CENTRES – TOTAL NUMBER OF CLIENTS (40,938)



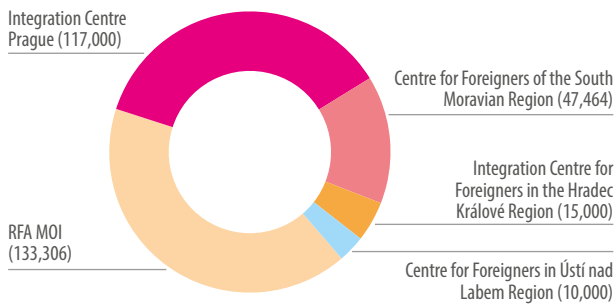
NUMBER OF CLIENTS OF SOCIAL AND LEGAL COUNSELLING



NUMBER OF CLIENTS OF CZECH LANGUAGE COURSES (16,132)



NUMBER OF ASSISTANCES PROVIDED AT RACFU – IN TOTAL 322,770



As part of the above activities and services provided, interpreting or translation services were also provided according to the needs of the clients or the Centre staff. The most common languages interpreted were Ukrainian, Russian, Vietnamese and Mongolian. In order to facilitate communication and cooperation with foreigners, the services of so-called community workers, i.e. representatives of foreign communities who help to provide information to other foreigners or participate in the organization of cultural, social and educational events, are also used. Thanks to this cooperation, the Centres are much better able to reach some specific target groups, especially young foreigners.

In 2022, one project co-financed by the national Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund programme aimed at implementing Czech language courses for foreigners from third countries was implemented and started in 2020.

A total of 178,317 services were provided in 2022 in all Centres operated by the RFA MOI. In this period, a total of 28,116 clients benefited from the services offered, 17,904 clients benefited from social counselling services and 10,750 clients attended the Czech language courses. 11,193 clients were reached in the fieldwork.

The Centres also organized a total of 645 adaptation and integration courses with the participation of 9,864 foreigners. The most numerous languages into which the course was interpreted were Ukrainian, followed by Russian, English, Mongolian, Serbian and Vietnamese. Courses were also conducted in several rarer languages such as Korean, Japanese, Thai, Albanian, Moldovan and Hindi, including one course interpreted into sign language in Ukrainian for deaf clients. 88% of the organized courses were public, the remaining 12% were non-public courses.

The Centres also organize meetings of representatives of the majority and foreigners within social, sporting or cultural events, which aim to promote better mutual understanding between foreigners and the general public and to prevent the closure of foreign communities. The Centre for the Liberec Region organized the traditional festival "Liberec, one city for all" and two lectures for the first grade of primary schools "In the footsteps of Vietnam", which were attended by up to 100 children, the Mladá Boleslav office of the Centre for Support of Integration of Foreigners for the Central Bohemia Region made an important contribution to the organization of the "Festival of Cultures" and the Centre for the Support of Integration of Foreigners for the Vysočina Region prepared a successful event "World Christmas", where representatives of Ukraine, Mongolia, Armenia, Syria, Bosnia and Herzegovina,

Serbia and Nepal presented their Christmas traditions and customs.

The socio-cultural courses were held with a focus on topics that made the foreigners more familiar with life in the Czech Republic, in particular various traditions and customs associated with holidays celebrated in the Czech Republic, including various workshops, during which foreigners made various decorations, learning about the region or city in which foreigners live, more information about their rights and obligations in the field of employment, education, taxation, family reunification, equivalence of qualification, health care, etc. Traditionally, sociocultural courses were held on the topic of Czech language exams for permanent residence and citizenship, housing in the Czech Republic, first aid principles, and information about adaptation and integration courses and how to apply for them.

At the end of 2022, the Centres started publishing the CSIF Newsletter, in which they inform their partners from the professional public every month about interesting and relevant information in the field of integration and migration of foreigners, including regional news from the region. This newsletter is sent out to more than 1,000 contacts each month.

COORDINATION CENTRE FOR FOREIGNERS IN THE KVASINY INDUSTRIAL ZONE

The establishment of the Coordination Centre for Foreigners in the Kvasiny Industrial Zone, and its operation by the Refugee Facilities Administration, was decided by Government Resolution No. 388 of 22 May 2017, when its creation was one of a set of measures to address the worsened situation in the Kvasiny Industrial Zone in connection with the increased number of employed foreigners.

The activities of the Coordination Centre include, in particular, monitoring the current situation in the region, including reporting to the leadership of the Ministry of the Interior, improving the coordination of the activities of the main actors (local authorities, the largest employers, the labour office, the Police of the Czech Republic, Department of Foreign Police, educational institutions, etc.), facilitating assistance and counselling activities for foreigners and fieldwork within the region. In order to promote the activities of the Coordination Centre, a website is maintained, and information leaflets are distributed in seven languages. These are made available to individual employers, state institutions, representatives of the security forces and other entities to which foreign workers address their requests.

In 2022, support continued to be provided to mayors and employers to address specific issues related to the employment of foreigners. During this year, the Coordination Centre provided information to foreigners, especially in the area of integration of Ukrainians in relation to the conflict in Ukraine. It provided counselling concerning the temporary protection and up-to-date information for foreigners, employers and other institutions. It organized meetings and presentations for Ukrainians to introduce them to life in the Czech Republic. It was also involved in mediating information between institutions, employers and schools.

During regular monitoring, monthly updates were made on the number of employees in the industrial zone and the number



of workers accommodated by the employer. The Coordination Centre was actively involved in the planning and activities of the Local Action Plan for Education in the Rychnov area within the Equal Opportunities Working Group. The established cooperation with the Integration Centre for Foreigners within the Regional Charity Hradec Králové continued in the implementation and promotion of Czech language courses for foreigners working in the Kvasiny industrial zone.

STATE INTEGRATION PROGRAM

In 2022, a total of 293 eligible persons, holders of international protection entered the State Integration Programme (SIP). This is another year-on-year increase. It was mainly due to the participation of 139 persons from Ukraine, as a relatively small number of newcomers after the Russian invasion applied for and received international protection and other Ukrainians were already in asylum proceedings before 24 February last year.

	International protection granted	Joined SIP	Number of individual integration plans set up	Persons in individual integration plans
2017	147	101	104	180
2018	167	121	72	120
2019	147	109	63	95
2020	114	83	47	71
2021	311	273	121	307
2022	481	293	141	278

During the year, a total of 141 individual integration plans were authorized for a total of 278 holders of international protection (individuals and families), which again represents a record number in the seven-year history of the SIP. In addition, most of the 120 plans from the previous year were also under implementation at some point during the year.

Among the most notable achievements of last year was the arrangement of a record 88 rental apartments. These were typically apartments acquired through the real estate market, with the notable exception of municipal apartments for the benefit of families of evacuated Afghans.

Nearly a third of integration plans were handled by contractors from the non-profit sector (31%). The main areas of focus were the provision of rental housing, education and employment, clients' participation in the social security system and their overall activation to achieve rapid self-reliance and independence.

The year 2022 can be typified as follows:

- increase in the number of participants in absolute terms,
- a relatively high proportion of participants from Ukraine,
- dozens of integration plans of Afghan citizens,
- delays of up to several months in the payment of social benefits by the Labour Office,
- unavailability of doctors willing to register clients,
- unavailability of places in nursery and primary schools,
- the continuing dramatic increase in rental housing prices.

A total of CZK 13,294,822 was drawn from the state budget to provide integration services through the implementation of individual integration plans. The majority of this amount was direct expenditure on services, in particular the provision of rental housing, as well as the provision of equipment to eligible persons, courses and other educational activities.



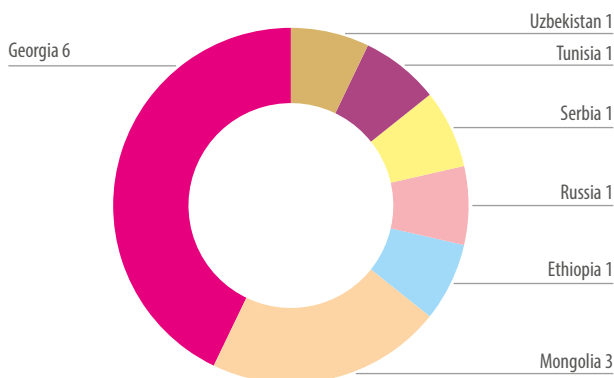
VOLUNTARY RETURNS PROGRAM

Voluntary returns form an integral part of the activities of the RFA MOI. The program is intended for applicants whose international protection proceedings have been terminated. Voluntary returns are an important part of the migration policy of the Czech Republic. The program is beneficial for both parties – the unsuccessful applicant for international protection avoids the risk of irregular residence and the resulting consequences, and for the Czech Republic the voluntary return of a foreigner is more economically advantageous than their further stay in the territory. The execution of voluntary returns of former applicants for international protection is one of the fundamental pillars of migration policy, including at the level of EU policy.

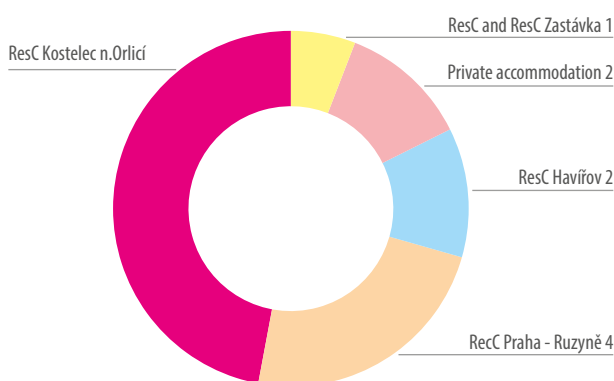
In 2022, a total of 17 applications for voluntary return were dealt with by the RFA MOI, of which 14 returns (9 men, 3 women and 2 children) were carried out and the clients returned to the desired destination countries. This is not only a decrease compared to previous years, but also compared to 2021; in 2021, a total of 28 applications for voluntary return were dealt with (a decrease of 39.3%) and a total of 20 voluntary returns were carried out (a decrease of 30.0% compared to the previous year).

The total costs incurred by the RFA MOI for voluntary returns in 2022 were: CZK 154,594, including three returns that were not carried out.

VOLUNTARY RETURNS CARRIED OUT IN 2022 – BY COUNTRY OF RETURN (14 IN TOTAL)



VOLUNTARY RETURNS CARRIED OUT IN 2022 – BY PLACE OF RESIDENCE BEFORE THE RETURN (17 IN TOTAL)



TRANSFERS OF FOREIGNERS TO THE CZECH REPUBLIC (DUBLIN III)

The indicated data are processed according to the information provided to the RFA MOI by the Dublin Centre of the DAMP for the purpose of taking persons into the care of the RFA MOI, thus the total number does not correspond to the total number of actual Dublin cases dealt with in the Czech Republic, as DAMP requires the cooperation of the RFA MOI only in cases where the foreigner is to be transferred to an asylum facility.

Since July 2020, in agreement with all stakeholders, foreigners are transported from the border crossing point (at the airport or at the former land border crossing point), unless required by the specific circumstances of the case, immediately after being handed over by the other party and the necessary acts of the Police of the Czech Republic to the designated asylum facility, usually by public transport at the expense of the RFA MOI.

Following the restriction of transfer of persons due to the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020, this agenda was revived after 1 December 2020, when the obligation to test persons for COVID-19 before transfer to the Czech Republic became applicable for Member States, provided that the negative test result should be sent by the transferring country at the latest one day before the transfer.

In 2022, under Regulation (EU) No 604/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013 establishing the criteria and mechanisms for determining the Member State responsible for examining an application for international protection lodged in one of the Member States by a third-country national or a stateless person ("Dublin III"), a total of 105 foreigners (106 in 2021) were transferred to the Czech Republic and determined for transfer to an asylum facility, of which 72 by air and 33 by land. Of these, a total of 49 transfers of applicants for international protection were not carried out (25 by air and 24 by land), although the cases were accepted by the Czech Republic and a transfer date was set. There were 56 successful transfers, of which 47 by air and 9 by land.

It follows from the above that the success rate of transferring a foreigner from a third country to the Czech Republic as an applicant for international protection was 53.3% in the given period. (In 2021 it was 39.6%, in 2020 it was 31.3% and in 2019 it was 39.6%).

The country from which most transfers were carried out in 2022 was Sweden – 20 cases, all by air. There were 9 cases not carried out (all by air), so the success rate of transferring applicants from Sweden to the Czech Republic in these cases was 69.0%. Germany was second, with 11 transfers, of which 5 by air and 6 by land. There were 25 transfers that were not carried out (3 by air and 22 by land), so the success rate for transfers from Germany was only 30.6%. The third and fourth most frequent country from which transfers were carried out was the Netherlands, with 8 successful transfers, all by air, and another 7 that were not carried out, with a success rate of 53.3%, and it was the same for Norway, with 8 transfers, all also by air, with one not carried out, with a success rate of 88.9%. Other countries with successful transfers were Denmark and Finland (100%).

The least successful countries in terms of transfers of applicants for international protection for whom the Czech Republic was the competent country for the examination of their applications were France and Portugal (but there was only a total of 3 transfers, which were not successful).

ACCOMPLISHED AIR TRANSFERS TO CZ BY NATIONALITY AND COUNTRY OF TRANSFER

Nationality	Number	Country of transfer	Number
Uzbekistan	17	Germany	5
Ukraine	5	Sweden	20
Libya	4	The Netherlands	8
Afghanistan	2	Norway	8
Mongolia	3	Austria	2
Belarus	3	Switzerland	1
Iraq	4	Denmark	2
Russia	4	Finland	1
Georgia	1	In total	47
Rep. of South Sudan	1		
Sudan	1		
Tunisia	1		
Vietnam	1		
In total	47		

The most frequent nationalities of clients transferred to the Czech Republic and to the care of the RFA MOI in 2022 were Uzbekistan (17), Ukraine (5) and Libya (4).

In addition to providing accommodation for the transferred clients, RFA MOI also participates significantly in the transport of clients from the border crossing to the designated asylum facility. In 2022, we provided transport for 94.6% of the clients for whom transfers were carried out. If we take into account the transfers that were not carried out, the RFA MOI would provide transport for clients in 95.2% of cases.

In July 2020, a cooperation agreement between DAMP, Police of the Czech Republic and the RFA MOI came into force regarding the provision of transport of transferred foreigners to asylum facilities by public transport, which will be organized by the RFA MOI in cooperation with the

Police of the Czech Republic. This method has been chosen as the optimal one with regard to organizational, economic and personnel support. In 2022, 52.8% of the transferred foreigners for whom a ticket was purchased arrived to the asylum facility independently by public transport. In 25 cases (44.6%), the foreigners were not interested in the procedure for granting international protection in the Czech Republic and did not arrive in the asylum facility.

TRANSFERS OF FOREIGNERS FROM THE CZECH REPUBLIC UNDER DUBLIN III

In 2022, 37 transfers of foreigners under Dublin III from the Czech Republic to the responsible country were carried out in cooperation with the RFA MOI, when the RFA MOI provided the foreigners with transport documents, all of them by air and 15 planned transfers did not take place. The total cost of air tickets was CZK 455,145, including the transfers that were not carried out but for which tickets had already been purchased.

NUMBER OF PERSONS TRANSFERRED WITHIN DUBLIN III FROM CZ AT THE EXPENSE OF RFA MOI

Nationality	Number	To the country	Number
Afghanistan	5	Bulgaria	11
Syria	6	France	6
Georgia	4	Romania	6
Morocco	3	Spain	4
Algeria	2	Italy	3
India	3	Germany	3
Russia	3	Estonia	1
Moldavia	2	Cyprus	1
Nigeria	2	Hungary	1
Tunisia	1	The Netherlands	1
China	1	In total	37
Guinea	1		
Mongolia	1		
Pakistan	1		
Turkey	1		
Vietnam	1		
In total	37		



All the transfers carried out by air take place through the Václav Havel Airport in Prague

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INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION OF THE RFA MOI IN 2022

In 2022, after a long covid pause, the frequency of regular foreign activities of the Refugee Facilities Administration of the Ministry of the Interior, which have traditionally been based on the Foreign Relations Plan of the RFA MOI, resumed. The foreign activities, as in the years prior to the pandemic restrictions, focused on expanding international cooperation in the form of professional workshops, conferences, study visits, etc. The aim was to gain new knowledge, exchange best practices and expertise that could be used by the staff in the conditions of the RFA MOI. A total of 15 foreign business trips and 2 receptions of foreign entities were carried out in 2022.

ACTIVITIES WITHIN EUAA

Within the activities of the European Union Agency for Asylum (EUAA), several conferences, seminars and training sessions on specialised topics were held in 2022, mainly focusing on the management, methods and procedures of reception procedures in EU countries.

In June, the Head of the Department for Work with Clients attended the regular meeting of the national contact points for the reception of applicants for international protection in Malta, the purpose and benefit of which was to share information and experiences of the different Member States and EUAA bodies. The meeting focused mainly on the development of the new EUAA mandate in the area of the development of the Common Asylum System.

Also in June, the Director of the RFA MOI and the Head of the Department for Work with Clients travelled to The Hague for a meeting of the Directors of reception organizations for applicants for international protection and their authorized representatives. The meeting was organised by the Dutch reception agency COA under the auspices of the EUAA. The aim was to share procedures and best practices in ensuring sufficient capacity for persons falling under the mandate of reception facilities due to the high surge on reception capacity of the MS in the last two years.

At the beginning of October, a delegation of colleagues from the Department for Work with Clients, Prague SIP, IAC Havířov, RecC Ruzyně, RecC and ResC Zastávka and the Office of the Director of the RFA MOI participated in the EUAA training in Warsaw on vulnerable persons in reception facilities and identification of victims of trafficking in human beings. The training included an introduction to the Polish migration and asylum system during a one-day excursion to the facility Straze Graniczne in Terespol and the asylum centre in Biała Podlaska.

At the end of October, the EUAA training focused on working with vulnerable persons and on the methodology of transferring experience to colleagues took place in Malta, which was attended by social workers from the RecC and ResC Zastávka and the FDF Bělá-Jezová. The aim and benefit of the training was to gain new theoretical knowledge and practical experience for social work in the facilities.



In November, a worker from the Department for Work with Clients participated in a meeting of contact persons of the Member States for the organisation of EUAA training. As a result of the trip, information was gained regarding the upcoming changes in the EUAA training programmes and their subsequent formulation within the organization and coordination with DAMP.

Also in November, the regular meeting of the national contact points for the reception of applicants for international protection was held in Athens, attended by the Head of the Department for work with clients. The main topics of the meeting were the provision of capacity in asylum facilities, the provision of qualified staff and the sharing of experiences in data collection within the reception of the applicants for international protection. The programme also included a presentation of the Greek asylum system and a visit to an asylum facility in Athens.

At the end of November and the beginning of December, an EUAA training course on management in reception facilities and training of trainers on this issue within the Czech Republic took place in Malta, attended by a delegation from the Prague Department for Work with Clients, the FDF Vyšní Lhoty and the RecC and ResC Zastávka.

At the beginning of December, an intake organizer from the FDF Vyšní Lhoty attended a training session of the EUAA on the issue of trafficking in human beings and the identification of its victims in asylum facilities. Apart from gaining new theoretical knowledge and applicable practical skills, the training was also beneficial for the exchange of experience between staff from other Member States, comparison of

the approach of the MS in the field of asylum policy and individual procedures when working with clients.

Last year's last meeting under the auspices of EUAA was a conference in Vilnius dedicated to sharing the experiences of the representatives from the Czech Republic, France, Finland and Austria with the Lithuanian state administration and NGOs in charge of the establishment of a reception agency for applicants for international protection in Lithuania. The experience of the RFA MOI, especially with regard to the personnel structure and services provided to clients in the facilities, was presented by the Head of the Department for work with clients.

BILATERAL COOPERATION

As part of the ongoing bilateral cooperation, in May, the employees of the office of the Director of the RFA MOI visited the office of the Commissioner for Integration and Migration, Stefan Härtl, at the regional office of the Saxon Switzerland – Eastern Ore Mountains district in Pirna. The aim of the meeting was to share German practice in the field of integration of foreigners as well as to visit NGOs and other actors involved in work with foreigners in the district.

Following the workshop in Pirna, RFA MOI welcomed Stefan Härtl at the end of July for a short meeting with the management of the RFA MOI and representatives of CSIF in Prague. During this meeting, the CSIF colleagues briefly familiarised themselves with the principles of integration practice in the district of Saxon Switzerland – Eastern Ore Mountains and had the opportunity to compare this practice with the approach in the Czech Republic.





A series of workshops on good practices from Germany last year was completed in September with a visit by a delegation consisting of the Director of the RFA MOI, the Head of the Director's Office and four colleagues from the Centre for the Integration of Foreigners in Pirna. The aim and benefit of the meeting was to reflect on the current dynamic developments in the migration policy and to compare the challenges that the Czech Republic and Germany are currently facing. Colleagues from the CSIF had the opportunity to deepen their knowledge acquired during the initial meeting in Prague and subsequently apply the knowledge gained in their work with CSIF clients.

At the end of October, colleagues at the FDF Bělá-Jezová welcomed a foreign delegation of representatives of the Ministry of Interior and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Uzbekistan. The Uzbek delegates, who visited the Czech Republic with the aim of gaining experience with the detention of foreigners for the establishment of a similar facility in Uzbekistan, had the opportunity to see the regime of detention for foreigners and the residence centre and to get to know the Czech practice.

OTHER FOREIGN ACTIVITIES OF THE RFA MOI

In February, two employees of the Department for work with clients assisted together with the HS MOI in carrying out the voluntary return of a client of Serbian nationality back to his homeland due to a serious disability. Our colleagues, whose task was to assist mainly with the organization and communication with the receiving medical facility in

Belgrade, managed the difficult task and the voluntary return of the client was successful.

Thanks to the cooperation with the House of Foreign Cooperation, two social workers from the State Integration Program Unit and a colleague from the South Bohemian Centre for Support of Integration of Foreigners were selected to participate in a one-week training course in Finland in October. The aim and benefit of the training was, among other things, to share experiences with the integration of foreigners among the participants representing different European countries and neighbouring countries, as well as to introduce Finnish integration policy in more detail.

At the end of the year, colleagues from the Office of the Director of the RFA MOI attended a conference in Berlin entitled "Migration of the Future", which focused on the discussion on migration to the EU between participants from the Czech Republic and Germany. The conference provided participants with an interesting insight into the views and arguments from both German and Czech civil society.

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RFA MOI EMPLOYEES IN 2022

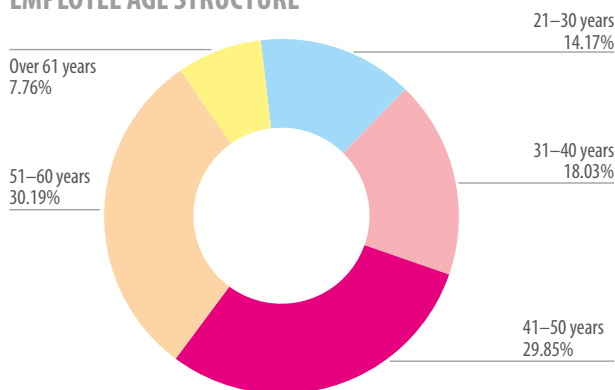
In 2022, the average number of employees of the Refugee Facilities Administration of the MOI was 563. The professional structure includes a variety of professions which cover all RFA MOI activities within the maintenance of the property entrusted to it, especially the care of the premises of the Residential, Reception and Integration Centres and, to no small extent, also within the maintenance of the extensive premises of the Facilities for the Detention of Foreigners. These professions range from the top management of individual departments to maintenance professions.

The professional structure also includes a broad spectrum of employees caring for RFA MOI clients, such as organization and social workers, accommodation workers, leisure time pedagogues, and educators. In total, 93 examples of typical occupational activities are used within the RFA MOI.

Due to the legitimate requests of individual workplaces and the operative changes in the organizational composition by conducting gradual targeted recruitment of personnel, the final number of regular employees was 593 by the end of 2022. These included an increase in the number of employees in connection with the expansion of the regional workplaces of the Centre for Support of Integration of Foreigners and an increase in connection with the provision of the activities of the RFA MOI to cope with the wave of Ukrainian refugees seeking temporary protection in the Czech Republic.

Of these, 32.21% are men and 67.79% are women. 62% of employees were under 50 years of age and 38% over 50 years of age.

EMPLOYEE AGE STRUCTURE



TRAINING OF THE RFA MOI EMPLOYEES IN 2022

The RFA MOI pays due attention to the professional development of employees on all levels of management, taking into account the budgetary possibilities in compliance with needs of the organization. Especially in the first half of the year, fewer training events were carried out than in previous years due to the workload of the employees in connection with dealing with the unprecedented increase in clients from Ukraine.

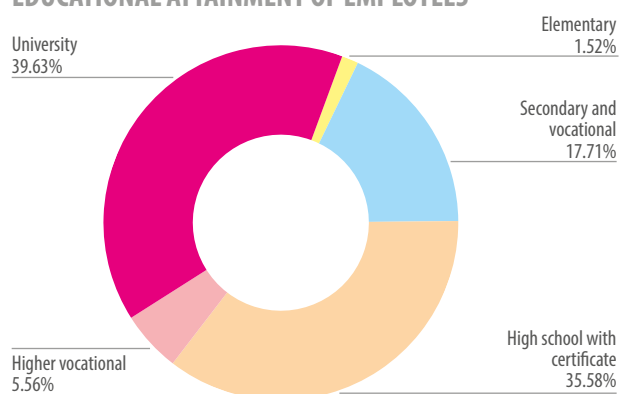
Training events are organized primarily for the purpose of deepening, renewing and maintaining the professional competences and expertise of employees as defined for the job in question.

In 2022, 232 training events were held under the responsibility of the HR Department of the RFA MOI of which 31 were collective and 201 individual events. The average amount spent per employee on training was CZK 1,981.

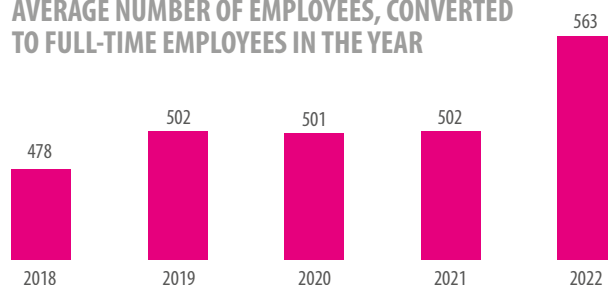
Employees of the RFA MOI could benefit from a “Language bonus” to increase their language skills, up to the amount of the employer’s contribution of CZK 7,000 per year.

An internal management act, the so-called Education Plan, specifies the educational activities for a given calendar year, takes into account the needs of the individual departments and is preceded by a broad discussion of the senior staff. The Education Plan also specifies the training budget for the year, which is based on the needs of the employees and the employer and the financial possibilities of the organization. However, its implementation depends on the fulfilment of the tasks and activities required of the employees in relation to developments in the field of refugees and the required tasks in the integration of foreigners in the Czech Republic.

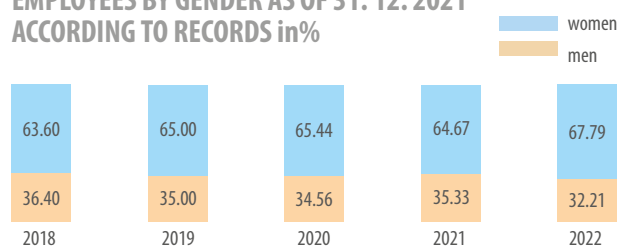
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT OF EMPLOYEES



AVERAGE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES, CONVERTED TO FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES IN THE YEAR



EMPLOYEES BY GENDER AS OF 31. 12. 2021 ACCORDING TO RECORDS in%



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FINANCIAL REPORT

ECONOMICAL MANAGEMENT

One of the factors which has annually a major impact on the use of the RFA MOI budget, is the number of applicants for international protection, number of persons who were granted international protection, and the number of detained or accommodated foreigners whom the RFA MOI provides with accommodation, meals, and other necessary services and items under the Act on Asylum and the Act on Residence of Foreigners.

The Operational Spending (without projects implemented and co-financed by the EU) can be divided into the following areas:

Operating expenses of AF and FDF + Central office

where RFA MOI spent a total of approximately CZK 206,000,000 in 2022.

Expenses on security of DAMP

where RFA MOI spent more than CZK 128,000,000. The majority of these funds was spent on the rent of the DAMP MOI workplaces and associated services, and purchase of equipment and consumables. Proportionally, the expenditure on the provision of this activity accounted for about 30% of the total spending of the other current expenditure – non-purpose appropriations budget in 2022.

In addition to the above-mentioned essential activities, in 2022 RFA MOI also provided other activities, which were financed within the RFA MOI current expenditure budget, namely:

State Integration Program

The RFA MOI spent a total of CZK 12,965,000 on the operation of this program. The total amount of financial resources in the amount of 6 mil. was assigned by the budgetary measures of the Economic Department of the Ministry of the Interior and the difference was allocated by the RFA MOI from its budget.

War in Ukraine

We spent a total of CZK 19,676,963.93 on the implementation of these activities, for which the RFA MOI received funds in the form of a budgetary measure.

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To ensure these activities, the budget of RFA MOI was reinforced by a budgetary measure in the total amount of CZK 273,000,000.

The amount of the funds spent was CZK 134,893,733.68

The balance of the funds in the total amount of CZK 138,106,266, was transferred by our organization to Entitlements and will be used in 2023 for expenses related to Ukraine.

Spending on Specific Tasks

In 2022, apart from standard activities, the RFA MOI delivered other activities based on the government resolutions or agreements with the DAMP MOI. These activities were as follows:

Transfers of foreigners to countries responsible for assessment of applications for asylum – the Dublin Regulation (cooperative agreement between the RFA MOI and DAMP MOI)

- To ensure these activities, the RFA MOI budget was increased by CZK 850,000 through budgetary measure
- To deliver these activities, the RFA MOI spent the total of CZK 459,039 from acquired budgetary funds

As regards the revenues, this is an overall reduction of CZK 29,032,350.84 compared to 2021. As regards the content of this area, it is practically unchanged compared to 2021.

The main areas concerned are Non-Investment (415) and Investment (423) transfers received.

COMPARISON OF RESULTS OF INCOME/EXPENSES SEGMENT IN 2022 TO 2021

Indicator	Reality 2021	Reality 2022	Difference
Total income (non-tax, income, capital income, transfers total)	83,247,789.14	54,215,438.30	-29,032,350.84
Total expenses (incl. claims from unused expenses)	660,783,392.09	887,075,659.22	+226,292,267.13
of which:			
Total current expenses = total expenses - VPF (incl. claims from unused expenses)	636,794,455.83	836,868,732.45	+200,074,276.62
of which:			
Wages and related expenses / wages and other payments for performed work + compulsory insurance + FKSP/ (incl. NNV)	292,457,602.35	331,177,562.19	+38,719,959.84
Total current expenses (operation expenses) = total expenses – VPF – wage and related expenses (incl. claims from unused expenses)	344,336,853.48	500,691,170.26	+156,354,316.78
Expenses for funding programs of property reproduction (incl. claims from unused expenses)	23,988,936.00	50,206,926.77	+21,217,990.77

Table includes expenses for programs co-financed by the EU (SB share/ EU share).
The sums referred to include claims from unused expenses from past years.

As regards wages and related expenses (including claims), there was an increase compared to 2021 by a total of CZK 38,718,959.84, which was due not only to the inclusion of claims from 2021, the increase in salary appropriations in connection with the increase in tariffs, but above all to the increase in temporary personnel by 100 posts, persons employed in connection with the migration wave from Ukraine (the appropriations for salaries and deductions totalled CZK 32,129,937)

As regards other current expenses, spending in 2022 was CZK 156,354,316.78 higher than in 2021. It can be noted that this increase was mainly due to price increases, with a more significant contribution from higher rent for the DAMP site. Another very significant item were expenses related to the Ukrainian crisis.

As regards expenses on financing the reproduction of property, a total of 14 actions were implemented for a total value (including the NNV claims from 2021) of CZK 50,206,926.77, which represents an increase of CZK 21,217,990.77 compared to 2021.

NON-INVESTMENT TRANSFERS TO REGIONS AND MUNICIPALITIES

In 2022, the RFA MOI (in compliance with Section 84 of Act 325/1999 Sb., on Asylum, as amended, and the Czech Government Resolution no. 303 of April 7, 2016, and also in compliance with Section 151 of Act 326/1999 Sb., on the Residence of Foreigners in the Territory of the Czech Republic, and the Czech Government Resolution no. 286 of 30 March 2016) provided a contribution of CZK 10 per person accommodated in the asylum facility per day to partially cover the municipalities' spending for accommodation of foreigners in asylum and detention facilities located in their respective territories.

In 2022, a total of CZK 2,432,800 was paid to municipalities where Asylum Facilities and Facilities for the Detention of Foreigners are located.

EXPENSES ON PROJECTS CO-FINANCED BY THE EU

In 2022, the RFA MOI implemented three projects on the basis of agreements signed by the competent authority, co-financed from the Asylum, Migration, and Integration Fund (AMIF).

1) Czech language in the integration Centres

The implementation of this project started in July 2020 on the basis of the call number 27, which was published by the responsible authority during 2020. The project implementation period is 1 July 2020 – 31 December 2022. The aim of this project is to create conditions and space for long-term and sustainable support for the integration of foreigners legally residing in the Czech Republic in accordance with the applicable Concept of Integration of Foreigners. For this purpose, the RFA MOI provides Czech language teaching for the target group of the project in all 14 Centres for Support of the Integration of Foreigners.

BUDGET OF THE PROJECT FOR THE WHOLE PERIOD:

Czech Language in Integration Centres	Total expenses	Required AMIF support
	23,998,808 Kč	17,999,106 Kč

TOTAL EXPENSES FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS PROJECT IN 2022:

	Spent in 2022
In total	8,892,014 Kč
SB	2,223,003 Kč
EU	6,669,011 Kč

2) Reconstruction of kitchen in FDF Balková – AMIF/26/01

No. of investment: 114V51200 0006

On the basis of the approved application for support from the National Programme of the Asylum, Migration and





Integration Fund for the implementation of the project entitled "Reconstruction of the kitchen in the FDF Balková", registration number AMIF/26/01 with the implementation period from 1 January 2020 to 31 December 2022, we present:

The aim of the project is to improve the quality of the conditions of residence of detained foreigners in the Facility for the Detention of Foreigners Balková through the reconstruction of the kitchen (and canteen). Ensuring economical, hygienic and modern operation of the kitchen for thermal processing of food, production of meals and their serving in the reconstructed canteen is a condition for the proper functioning of the facility and allows to use the facility at its full accommodation capacity. At the same time, the catering comfort for the RFA MOI employees and other MOI units operating in the facility will be ensured.

In 2020, an amount of CZK 235,000 was spent on the preparation of documentation for the implementation of the construction, which was the basic document for the tender for the construction contractor.

In 2021, an amount of CZK 1,048,915.54 was spent for the execution of the construction works and the provision of technical supervision of the builder.

In 2022, the amount of CZK 33,863,902.79 was spent for the execution of construction works, technical supervision of the builder and author's supervision of the designer.

The total cost amounted to CZK 35,147,818.33.

The action has been completed, since 1.1.2023 the food is cooked in the own kitchen.

Claims for unused expenses amount to CZK 0.02 (the difference was caused by rounding off the shares of the partial invoices).

3) Reconstruction of technological and energy facilities of the RFA MOI – AMIF/30/01

No. of investment: 114V51200 1015

On the basis of the approved application for support from the National Programme of the Asylum, Migration and

Integration Fund for the implementation of the project entitled "Reconstruction of the technological and energy facilities in the RFA MOI", registration number AMIF/30/01 with the implementation period from 1 September 2021 to 31 December 2022, we present:

The aim of the project is to improve the quality of the conditions of residence of foreigners in the facilities of the Refugee Facilities Administration of the Ministry of the Interior through the reconstruction of technological and energy facilities, specifically the water treatment plant in the FDF Balková and the replacement of the stationary boiler in the Havířov Residential Centre. The reconstruction ensured functionality, higher efficiency with high operational reliability and fulfilment of the current requirements for the proper operation of the above-mentioned technical facilities, which by their nature are necessary for the actual operation of the RFA MOI facilities. The implementation will also reduce operating costs, which will be environmentally sustainable according to the current legislation and will contribute to improving the well-being of the accommodated clients, or the staff of all the units ensuring the operation of these facilities.

In 2021, tenders for the contractors for both reconstructions were announced.

In 2022, a total of CZK 6,960,491.72 (of which the SB share: CZK 696,049.18, EU share: CZK 6,964,442.54) for the implementation of both reconstructions that were carried out during the year.

Claims for unused expenses amounted to CZK 0 (the project was completed).

TOTAL COSTS OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE THREE INVESTMENT PROJECTS:

	Čerpáno v roce 2022
Celkem	49 716 406 Kč
SR	11 385 027 Kč
EU	38 331 379 Kč

**Tent
City in Troja
was in operation
from May to
September
2022**



RESULTS OF THE FINANCIAL, INTERNAL, AND EXTERNAL INSPECTIONS AND AUDITS

Audit and inspection activities at the RFA MOI during 2022 were limited due to compliance with all emergency and protective measures of the Government of the Czech Republic, the Ministry of Health of the Czech Republic and the Ministry of the Interior of the Czech Republic in connection with the COVID-19 disease and subsequently also the emergence of the war conflict between Russia and Ukraine on 24 February 2022.

In accordance with the Resolution of the Government of the Czech Republic No. 129 of 25 February 2022 and subsequent follow-up resolutions and decrees of the Government of the Czech Republic as well as laws issued to provide assistance to citizens of Ukraine who found themselves in danger in relation to the security situation in Ukraine and arrived on the territory of the Czech Republic, all the activities of the RFA MOI were fully subordinated to the fulfilment of the tasks imposed.

In view of the situation, audit and inspection activities were significantly reduced in 2022. Among other things, the audit bodies were involved in assisting individual facilities, mainly due to the need to respond to the large-scale migration wave on the territory of the Czech Republic.

Despite the fulfilment of all the above measures, the majority of the planned inspections were carried out at RFA MOI in accordance with the internal audit and inspection plan of RFA MOI for 2022, issued by decision of the Director of RFA MOI on 15 December 2021.

The financial audits carried out in 2021 did not reveal any infringement of budgetary discipline or misuse of the funds despite the extreme burden on the accounts department given the need to account for several budget units and functional areas. The external audit carried out by the external audit bodies and the bodies of the founder (Ministry of the Interior) also did not reveal any infringement of budgetary discipline or any other violation of Act No 320/2001 Sb., on Financial Control, or of Decree No. 416/2004 Sb., implementing the Act on Financial Control and Act No 563/1991 Sb., on Accounting.

INSPECTIONS CARRIED OUT AT RFA MOI BY OTHER EXTERNAL BODIES

Audit body of the Ministry of Finance of the Czech Republic
External audit under No.: AMIF/2022/O/004, dated 19.12.2022 for "Use of the funds of FDF Balková – reconstruction of kitchen", project no.CZ/2020/PR/2601.

- Audit was carried out in the period from 1.11.2022 to 19.12.2022
- An audit of the use of funds in the amount of CZK 3,172,687.90 for the period from 1.10.2021 to 31.3.2022.
- No deficiencies were found by the audit body.

Department of EU Funds in the field of internal affairs of the Ministry of the Interior

External inspection under No.: MV-206055-2/SFV-2021 for "Construction of a Wastewater Treatment Plant for FDF

Balková", reg. no. AMIF/19/01, external inspection of the implemented project was carried out.

- Inspection was carried out in the period from 1.10.2022 to 25.1.2022
- Inspection of expenses in the amount of CZK 16,431,848 for the period from 1.4.2019 to 30.9.2021
- No findings were identified during the on-site inspection.

Internal Audit and Inspection Department of MOI

External audit "Examination of the management of public funds under the control of the audited entity and examination of the adequacy and effectiveness of the internal inspection system in the procurement of services and supplies in connection with the large-scale migration wave of Ukrainian refugees on the territory of the Czech Republic", no: MV-67505-4IAK-2022.

The unscheduled follow-up public inspection at the RFA MOI was carried out on the basis of a request from the Minister of the Interior, No. MV-438-22/KM-2022 of 5 April 2022.

- Control was carried out in the period from 6. 4. 2022 to 6. 5. 2022
- Inspection of expenses in the amount of CZK 50,755,200 for the period from 24. 2. 2019 to 31. 3. 2021
- The inspection did not reveal any breach of generally binding legal regulations or internal management acts.

The follow-up public administration inspection carried out on a sample of the above-mentioned areas did not reveal any breaches of generally binding legal provisions or internal management acts.

INTERNAL AUDITS, FOLLOWING PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION INSPECTION OF SUBSIDIES AND GENERAL INSPECTIONS WITHIN RFA MOI

Inspections carried out by Internal Audit and Inspection Department of the RFA MOI

Public administration inspections of subsidies

In 2022, nine public administration inspections of subsidies were carried out on subsidies granted to municipalities on the territory of which there are located Asylum Facilities and Facilities for the Detention of Foreigners of RFA MOI in accordance with Section 84 of Act No. 325/1999 Sb., on Asylum or Section 151(1) of Act No. 326/1999 Sb., on the Residence of Foreigners in the Territory of the Czech Republic.

- In total, the municipalities received a subsidy of CZK 1,779,010. Of these, to the municipalities on the territory of which the following are located:
- Asylum Facilities of the RFA MOI were granted a subsidy of CZK 1,118,190 (Zastávka, Kostelec nad Orlicí, Havířov, Brno-Židenice, Ústí nad Labem - Předlice, Jaroměř, Bělá pod Bezdězem – the financial amount for the location of Residential Centre);

Facilities for the Detention of Foreigners of the RFA MOI were granted a subsidy of CZK 660,820 (Vyšní Lhoty, Tis u Blatna, Bělá pod Bezdězem – financial amount for the location of the Facility for the Detention of Foreigners).

The verification of the economy, efficiency and effectiveness of the subsidy spent on non-investment projects according to the relevant decisions of the Minister of the Interior on the provision of subsidies to individual municipalities was carried out according to:

“Resolution of the Government of the Czech Republic No. 303 of 7. 4. 2016 on the change of the amount of the contribution to a municipality to cover the costs incurred by the municipality in connection with an asylum facility on its territory as of 1. 1. 2016”;

“Resolution of the Government of the Czech Republic No. 286 of 30.3.2016 on the reimbursement of the costs incurred by the municipality in connection with the facility for the detention of foreigners on its territory as of 18. 12. 2015”;

No deficiencies were detected in the public administration inspections of the subsidies provided to the municipalities.

Planned internal audits and inspections

- 2x internal financial inspection of cash balance, phone cards and meal vouchers;
- 1x internal financial inspection to verify compliance with waste management obligations at the RFA MOI facilities;
- 1x internal audit of the set-up of the internal financial inspection system;
- 1x extraordinary audit contract – internal financial audit of the fulfilment of tasks set for RFA MOI according to Government Resolution No. 129/2022 of 25 February 2022 and subsequent resolutions, decrees and laws related to the provision of accommodation for refugees from Ukraine, with a focus on the use of funds to provide accommodation for refugees.

In total, accounting documents amounting to CZK 53,406,681.27 were inspected in the above audits and inspections. No deficiencies were detected in the audits and inspections carried out.

Inspections carried out by other departments and independent units under the direct authority of the Director

1. Independent unit of the office of the Director

Authorized employees carried out planned inspections of 6 organizational sections of the RFA MOI in the following areas:

- compliance with the principles of security protection of the premises
- compliance with the prohibition on the use of alcoholic beverages (5 facilities with 2 inspections each).

2. Organizational department

Authorized employees carried out planned inspections of 10 organizational sections of the RFA MOI in the following areas:

- inspection the processing of documents for the FKSP
- inspection of the records regarding contractual relations contracts
- inspection of the handling of personal data in accordance with the GDPR
- inspection of administration related to the internal management acts
- procedures related to the translation and interpretation agenda
- inspection of damage, occupational accidents and claims
- inspection of records management and first-aid-kits

3. Department of Work with Clients

Authorized employees carried out planned inspections of 4 organizational sections of the RFA MOI in the following areas:

- inspection of social files and the work of the permanent service

4. Economic and Operation Department

Authorized employees carried out planned inspections of 2 organizational sections of the RFA MOI in the following areas:

- treasury (cash balance, cash and accounting records (2 financial audits)
- financial accounting inspection (1 financial inspection)

5. Department of Centres for the Integration of Foreigners

Authorized employees carried out planned inspections of 9 Centres in the following areas:

- spot checks – employee attendance records, client records, invoicing, project publicity

6. FDF and AF Departments

The authorized employees carried out inspection activities within the limited possibilities of ensuring their basic functioning during all emergency measures ordered by the Government of the Czech Republic and ministerial measures related to refugee accommodation and other operational activities, namely:

- Department for FDF and ResC Bělá pod Bezdězem – authorized employees carried out 8 inspections on specific subject and 3 financial inspections,
- Department for FDF Balková – authorized employees carried out 7 inspections on specific subject and 1 financial inspections,
- Department for FDF Vyšní Lhoty – authorized employees carried out 11 inspections on specific subject and 2 financial inspections,
- Department for ResC Kostelec nad Orlicí – authorized employees carried out 7 inspections on specific subject and 2 financial inspections,
- Department for ResC Havířov – authorized employees carried out 6 inspections on specific subject and 2 financial inspections,
- Department for RecC and ResC Zastávka – authorized employees carried out 7 inspections on specific subject and 2 financial inspections,
- Department for RecC Prague Ruzyně – authorized employees carried 8 inspections on specific subject and 2 financial inspections

The individual departments of the RFA MOI carried out a total of 16 internal financial inspections by their own audit bodies in accordance with the Decision of the Director No. 39/2021 – “Internal Audit and Inspection Plan for 2022” or according to the Decision – “Internal inspection Plan for 2022” of the heads of departments of individual facilities in the total volume of audited funds in the amount of CZK 2,078,569. No deficiencies were detected in the controls carried out.

Audit findings:

The above-mentioned audits, public administration inspections and inspections of departments and units were carried out without any major findings and it can be concluded that the processes and activities set up at the RFA MOI are functioning and the organization performs its tasks in accordance with generally applicable legal regulations. The internal inspection system is formally set up correctly and is effective. There were no serious breaches of internal management acts and legal regulations that would require reporting to the financial or law enforcement authorities. Inspection reports or records are stored in the electronic records management of the RFA MOI.

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