BAMF publishes key changes related to the Pact and its changing role

The Federal Office for Migration and Refugees (BAMF) presented an overview of key changes related to the entry into force of the Pact on 12 June 2026.

BAMF being one of Europe's largest asylum authorities has introduced extensive adaptation processes.

The summary on BAMF's website mentions the new processes for the regular and accelerated procedures. It also indicates the locations for border procedures in Germany, near the airports of Frankfurt/Main, Berlin/Brandenburg, Stuttgart and Munich, with locations in Düsseldorf and Hamburg currently under consideration.

BAMF will now have the following new responsibilities, amongst others:

- Free legal counselling
- Age assessments for minors
- Recording of the interview

BAMF also published a new brochure in German and English providing an overview of the important steps and aspects involved in the asylum procedure, from the different types of procedure and the personal interview to the decision-making process.

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