# Resettlement and humanitarian admission - Austria

## Overview

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### Relevant EU legislation

Austria is bound by the Union Resettlement and Humanitarian Admission Framework Regulation (URF)

### National legislation

01/01/2005: Asylum Act (Federal Act on the granting of asylum) | AsylG: Bundesgesetz über die Gewährung von Asyl, StF: BGBl. I Nr. 100/2005

### Competent authority and stakeholders

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| **Authorities responsible for establishing resettlement and humanitarian admission policy** | Federal Office for Immigration and Asylum (Bundesamt für Fremdenwesen und Asyl, BFA)<br>Ministry of Interior (Bundesministerium für Inneres)<br>United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)<br>Iinternational Organisation for Migration (IOM) |

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| **Identification and referral of refugees for a) resettlement programmes b) humanitarian admission programmes c) community sponsorship programmes** | Austria implemented three national resettlement programmes (2013-2017). Within the first and second resettlement programme, UNHCR as well as civil and clerical organisations were requested by the Ministry of the Interior to identify candidates for admission and make referrals. Within the third resettlement programme, submissions were only made by UNHCR. The procedural steps listed in this table refer to all programmes. |
| **Selection of refugees for a) resettlement programmes b) humanitarian admission programmes c) community sponsorship programmes** | The Ministry of the Interior decides on the admission of candidates on a dossier basis (no selection missions). |
| **Pre-departure assistance a) resettlement programmes b) humanitarian admission programmes c) community sponsorship programmes** | The IOM provides pre-departure measures, such as health assessments, travel health assistance and pre-departure orientation. |

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| **Travel arrangements a) resettlement programmes b) humanitarian admission programmes c) community sponsorship programmes** | N/a |
| **Arrival and reception a) resettlement programmes b) humanitarian admission programmes c) community sponsorship programmes** | Transfers to Austria were organised by the IOM. The Working Group for integration activities (ARGE) supported the Ministry of the Interior with the reception of the admitted persons. |

### Programmes currently in place

Austria currently does not implement resettlement and humanitarian admission programmes. Consequently, no further information has been included in the sections included below.

## National quotas on resettlement and humanitarian admission

### National commitments for resettlement, humanitarian admission and emergency quota

| 2-year Union Plan | National commitment for resettlement | National commitment for humanitarian admissions | Emergency quota |
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| **Period 2024-2025** | N/a | N/a | N/a |
| **Period 2026-2027** | N/a | N/a | N/a |
| **Period 2028-2029** | N/a | N/a | N/a |

# Procedural and practical arrangements

### The admission procedure

Currently, Austria currently does not implement resettlement and humanitarian admission programmes.

### Type of protection granted and residence permit issued after the admission procedure

Currently, Austria currently does not implement resettlement and humanitarian admission programmes.

### Pre-departure assistance

Currently, Austria currently does not implement resettlement and humanitarian admission programmes.

### Travel arrangements

Currently, Austria currently does not implement resettlement and humanitarian admission programmes.

### Arrival and reception

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Currently, Austria currently does not implement resettlement and humanitarian admission programmes.

### Integration support to resettled and admitted refugees

Currently, Austria currently does not implement resettlement and humanitarian admission programmes.

## Resettlement programmes

Currently, Austria currently does not implement resettlement and humanitarian admission programmes.

## Humanitarian admission programmes

Currently, Austria currently does not implement humanitarian admission programmes.

## Complementary pathways

### Community sponsorship schemes related to state-led resettlement programmes

Currently, Austria currently does not implement community sponsorship programmes related to state-led resettlement programmes

### Community sponsorship schemes linked to civil society-led humanitarian admission programmes

Currently, Austria currently does not implement community sponsorship programmes linked to civil society-led humanitarian admission programmes

### Community sponsorship schemes linked to other complementary pathways

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