



Information Session

Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund (2021-2027) Specific Objective 2 – Education, TCNs and Support

4th June 2025







Overview



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- Novelties introduced in the 2021 2027.
- Context of Call AMIF 16th Call.
- Eligibility and Selection Criteria.
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Aim of the AMIF Programme

- ▶ 1 Policy Objective of the AMIF Regulation reflected through 4 Specific Objectives and Technical Assistance.
- ➤ Total budget of AMIF Programme: €52.4 mil (EU+MT).
- ➤ Adopted by the European Commission 7th September 2022. Recent adoption date: 20th September 2023.

Policy Objective of the Fund: contribute to the efficient management of migration flows and to the implementation, strengthening and development of the common policy on asylum and the common immigration policy, in accordance with the relevant Union acquis and fully respecting the international obligations of the Union and the Member States arising from the international instruments to which they are party.

Novelties introduced for the 2021-2027 AMIF Programme



- i. The AMIF Programme is regulated by the Common Provisions Regulation (EU) 2021/1060.
- ii. Enables the use of different co-financing rates, depending on the actions foreseen in the Programmes, in line with Article 15 of the AMIF Regulation (EU) 2021/1147.
- iii. The Programme contributes to specific objectives rather than national objectives for simplification purposes.
- iv. Includes a performance methodology delineating the milestones and targets to be reached by 2024 and 2029 respectively.
- v. The assessment of the Enabling Conditions, and fulfilment which needs to be ensured throughout the 2021-2027 programming period.
- vi. Different EU regulatory parameters, EU objectives and national context.
- vii. Presents an intervention logic based on the main priorities/development needs and types of actions identified in the Programme.
- viii. Aims to strengthen the use of simplified cost options.

Context of Call (1)



- Open call for applications was launched on **19 May 2025** focusing on actions contributing to Specific Objective 2 of the AMIF Programme.
- The funding priorities addressed through this 16th Call are:
 - Reducing language barriers in schools to facilitate integration among children;
 - > Promoting diversity in the educational sector to address current and future needs of society;
 - Cultivating ethnicity in the social and educational sectors; and
 - > Provision of support services to migrant families to facilitate access in the education system.
- Eligible beneficiaries: government departments, public entities, international organisations, social partners, non-governmental and voluntary organisations working in the field of migration.
- Total budget allocated under this call: **€8 mil (EU + MT Share).** The Managing Authority reserves the right to increase or decrease the budget of this call.

Context of Call (2)



• Indirect costs will be covered at a flat rate of up to 25% of the eligible direct costs. The following table offers a detailed overview of the applicable rate under the AMIF programme:

Operation Value Thresholds	Ministries / Departments	Public Entities	Non-Governmental Organisations	Public Employment Service
Large Operations > / = €3,000,000	8%	8%	7% *Refer to Article 54(a) of Reg 2021/1060	25%
Medium Operations > / = €750,000 and < 3,000,000	25%	25%	7% *Refer to Article 54(a) of Reg 2021/1060	25%
Small Operations < €750,000	25%	25%	25%	25%



Context of Call (3)

- Application forms are to be submitted through the online portal: https://sfd.gov.mt/Application/
- Deadline for submission of applications: Thursday, 31 July 2025 at 12.00 p.m.



Eligible Actions and Implementation Measures

- Actions contributing to Specific Objective (SO) 2 shall aim to contribute towards the development needs envisaged in the AMIF Programme i.e.:
 - Improving access to basic services by Third Country Nationals and the provision of pre-integration support measures for the benefit of legally residing TCNs;
 - Facilitate access to educational services and the labour market and maximise economic opportunities for both migrants and the native community.
- Actions implemented under SO2 shall focus on the following implementation measure (Annex II of the AMIF Regulation):
 - 2d: promoting integration measures for the social and economic inclusion of third-country nationals.

Eligibility Criteria



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The application must be submitted within the deadline defined in the Call.

The application submitted must be complete.

The applicant shall be an eligible applicant.

The applicant must declare to implement the project respecting the non-profit principle.

Project remit must be in line with the mandate of the Beneficiary.

The proposed action has a duration that does not exceed the implementation period of the AMIF Programme i.e. 31 December 2029.

Proof of co-financing must be provided (when applicable).

The objective(s) of the proposed action correspond(s) to the relevant objectives defined under the AMIF Programme.

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Addresses at least one of the output and result indicators of the AMIF Programme.

The action does not involve State Aid.

Ensures that selected operations are not directly affected by a reasoned opinion by the Commission in respect of an infringement under Article 258 TFEU that puts at risk the legality and regularity of expenditure or the performance of operations.

Project implemented within the eligible territory.

Assessment is carried out on the basis of Yes/No answer.



Selection Criteria

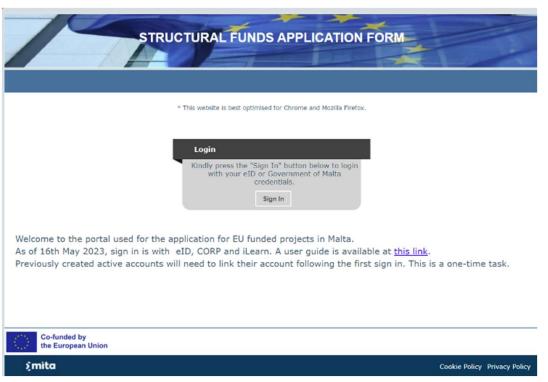
Selection Criteria	Points
Relevance and Justification	Total Points: 20 Threshold: 10
Quality of the application form	Total Points: 10 Threshold: 5
Capacity of the Organisation to implement the activities proposed	Total Points: 15 Threshold: 8
Outputs and Result Indicators	Total Points: 15 Threshold: 10

Selection Criteria	Points
Cost effectiveness and sustainability	Total Points: 20 Threshold: 10
Dissemination of project results	Total Points: 5 Threshold: N/A
Complementarity with other actions funded by the EU or national programmes	Total Points: 5 Threshold: 2
Readiness	Total Points: 10 Threshold: 5



Submission of Applications

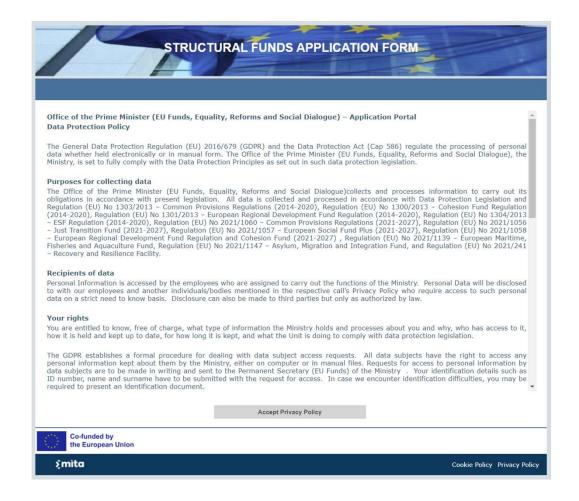
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The list of open calls is displayed hereunder. Please select "New Application" next to the open call to initiate the application process within the call.

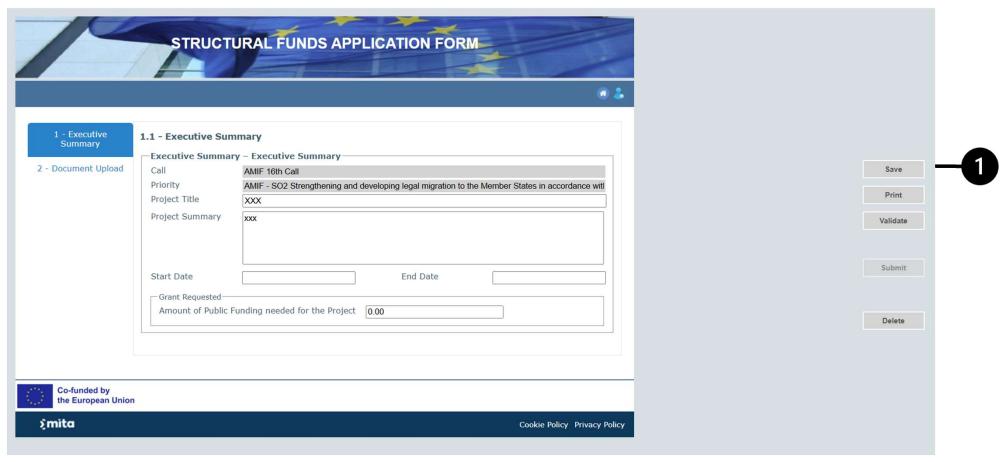
Open calls	Programme	Start Date	End Date	
Call 2 - Digitalise your Micro Business	RRP - Recovery and Resilience Plan	03/03/2025 11:00:00	01/10/2025 00:00:00	New Application
Call 1 - Digitalise your Large Business	RRP - Recovery and Resilience Plan	03/03/2025 11:00:00	31/05/2025 00:00:00	New Application
Call 2 - Retrofit	RRP - Recovery and Resilience Plan	03/03/2025 11:00:00	01/10/2025 00:00:00	New Application
Call 2 - Feasibility Study	ECJ - Towards a smarter, well connected and resilient economy, a greener environment and an integrated society	03/03/2025 11:00:00	31/12/2026 12:00:00	New Application
Call 1 - Digitalise your SME	ECJ - Towards a smarter, well connected and resilient economy, a greener environment and an integrated society	03/03/2025 11:00:00	31/12/2026 12:00:00	New Application
Call 1 - SME Enhance	ECJ - Towards a smarter, well connected and resilient economy, a greener environment and an integrated society	03/03/2025 11:00:00	31/12/2026 12:00:00	New Application
Call 1 - Internationalisation Strategy for SMEs	ECJ - Towards a smarter, well connected and resilient economy, a greener environment and an integrated society	21/05/2025 16:00:00	31/12/2026 12:00:00	New Application
Call 1 - Marketing Strategy for Micro & Small Enterprises	ECJ - Towards a smarter, well connected and resilient economy, a greener environment and an integrated society	21/05/2025 16:00:00	31/12/2026 12:00:00	New Application
Call 1 - Standards & Awards for SMEs	ECJ - Towards a smarter, well connected and resilient economy, a greener environment and an integrated society	21/05/2025 16:00:00	31/12/2026 12:00:00	New Application
Call 28 - Priority 1 RSO 1.1 - Public Sector Investment in R&I	ECJ - Towards a smarter, well connected and resilient economy, a greener environment and an integrated society	06/04/2025 12:00:00	04/07/2025 16:00:00	New Application
Call 2 - Business Reports for SMEs	ECJ - Towards a smarter, well connected and resilient economy, a greener environment and an integrated society	03/03/2025 11:00:00	31/12/2026 12:00:00	New Application
SO1.6/9/2025/EMFAF - EMFAF - Actions addressing Marine Litter	EMFAF - Fostering socio-economic growth and environmentally sustainable blue investment in Maltese Fisheries and Aquaculture	09/05/2025 11:59:00	27/06/2025 12:00:00	New Application
AMIF 16th Call - AMIF 16th Call for Applications (Education, TCNs & Support)	AMIF - Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund Programme 21 - 27	19/05/2025 12:00:00	31/07/2025 12:00:00	New Application
Call 14 - ESO.4.1 - Access to employment and activation measures for all	ESF+ - Fostering the socioeconomic wellbeing of society through the creation of opportunities for all and investment in human resources and skills	11/05/2025 08:00:00	07/07/2025 12:00:00	New Application
Call 15 - ESO.4.7 - Lifelong learning and career transitions	ESF+ - Fostering the socioeconomic wellbeing of society through the creation of opportunities	11/05/2025 08:00:00	07/07/2025 12:00:00	New Application





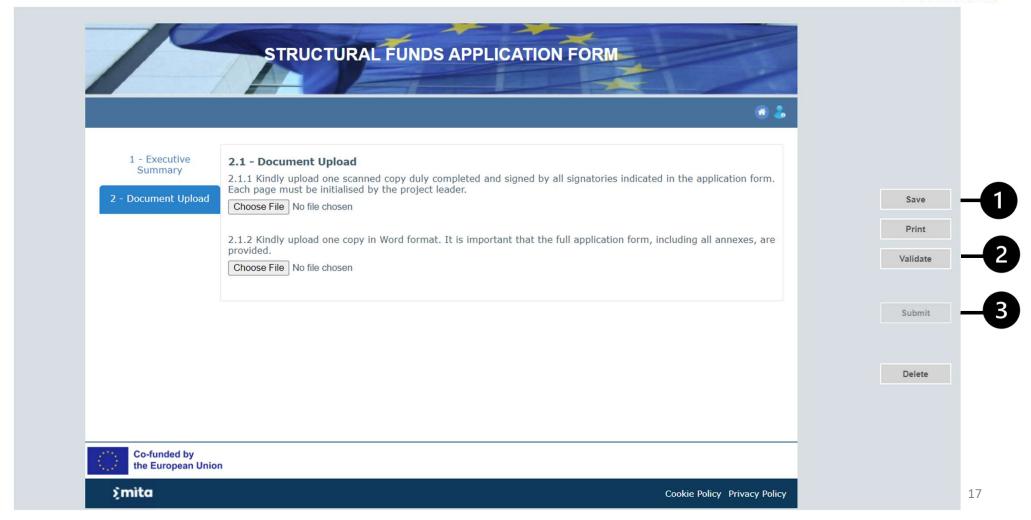
	STRUCTURAL FUNDS APPLICATION FORM	
O AMIF - SO2 - Strengthe promoting and contribute Project Title Project Summary	Select a Priority Axis ning and developing legal migration to the Member States in accordance with their economic and social needs, and ing to the effective integration and social inclusion of third-country nationals	Create
Co-funded by the European Union	Cookie Policy Privacy Policy	

Submission of Applications (4)









Submission of Applications (6)





Application Form

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Part A - Administrative Part

1. Project Details

Project Title	
Start Date	Enter date by when the project is estimated to start.
End Date	Enter date by when the project is estimated to be concluded.
Total Project Cost	EUR
Summary	Provide a summary on the project.
Note: This will be presented in the published list of the Managing Authority.	The summary shall include a broad description of the project idea, that is, the basic rational for implementing the proposed project. A brief description of the aims, objectives, main activities and expected results.

2. Lead Applicant

In the fields below, the Applicant is to include information on the Applicant Organisation.

Name

3. Contact Details

In the fields below, the Applicant is to include information on the Project Leader of the proposed project. Only one project leader responsible for the project.

Project Leader ¹	
Position within the Organisation	
E-mail address	
Main Contact Person ²	
Position within the Organisation	
E-mail address	

This is the first section of the application form which relates to the administrative part of the project proposal. Information details about the name of the lead applicant, name of project leader and contact person (who shall be different from the project leader), VAT status, and experience in implementing EU funded projects.

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Part B - TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION

1. Project Description

Which need is the project addressing?

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- Improving access to basic services by Third Country Nationals and the provision of pre-integration support measures for the benefit of legally residing TCNs; and
- Facilitate access to educational services and the labour market and maximise economic opportunities for both migrants and the native community.

Why is the project being proposed and how does it address national and European priorities?

Here the Applicant is to carry out a need assessment. This assessment is the study of a problem. It entails the collection of data and opinions from varied reliable sources. The aim is to support effective recommendations about what should be done to solve such problem. This will enable the Applicant to establish the importance of the proposed actions. Hence, such assessment must address the development need (s) derived from the Programme and how the project is expected to solve a clearly defined and presented need(s). The discussion must be supported by quantitative and qualitative analysis from official statistical sources. Consequently, the Applicant is to provide further justifications on the project coherence with National, sectoral and EU policies as to what extent the project is addressing such priorities.

Explain the effects of the projects from the perspective of EU interest and how it contributes to the objectives set out at European Level.

What are the specific objectives of the project?

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Specific Objective 2 - strengthening and developing legal migration to the Member States in accordance with their economic and social needs, promoting and contributing to the effective integration and social inclusion of third country nationals.

How does the project address the indicated specific objectives?

The Applicant is to select the relevant Specific Objective/s as published in the Call. The Applicant must ensure that the proposal is addressing one of the listed Specific Objectives in order for the application to be Eligible. The Applicant should demonstrate the desired change that the project should bring about and how through its implementation, the project will contribute towards the Specific Objective as identified in the Programme and ensure there is a clear link with the implementation measure, as defined in the respective Programme and/or Regulation. The objectives should be SMART (specific, measurable, achievable, relevant, time-bound).

Part B of the application contains the technical description. In the first section, applicants must explain why the project is being proposed and how it addresses national and European priorities.

In the following section, the applicant is expected to clearly describe how the project will contribute to Specific Objective 2 as identified in the Programme and ensure there is a clear link with the implementation measure i.e. 2d: promoting integration measures for the social and economic inclusion of third-country nationals.

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what are th	e expected results?
	Strengthening integration services offered to TCNs residing in Malta and improving language
	acquisition for enhanced communication and labour market integration.
	Facilitating TCN children's participation in the educational sector.
Target Grou	ps
	Third Country Nationals (TCNs)
What are th	e tangible and intangible results from the project? 5
Is the projec	t contributing to the fulfilment of the enabling conditions listed under Section 4 of the Programme?
If in the affir	mative, how is it fulfilling the criteria?
Not applicat	ole.

Information related with the expected results of the project proposal are to be included in this section. A pre-defined list has been provided, in line with the AMIF Programme, however additional results can be included as well (relevant box/es to be ticked). Target group refers to those who will directly benefit from the project.

A further description of the tangible and intangible results that will be achieved through the project shall be listed under the relevant section.

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2.1 Work Packages

Work Package title

Work Package 1: Project Team

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Annex VI Tables 2 and 3 of the AMIF Regulation: Co	odes for the Type of Action and Implementation				
Dimension					
Duration	[to	o be calculated in m	onths)		
Role of the Project Team					
					s to proof to the Project Selection Committee, that it will adopt a good capacity strategy covering all a assessment on the current staff complements and how the additional duties will fit in within the
Role of consultants, seconded staff and subcontracting					
	capacity to implement the project and therefore shall reson espects relating to the project (even for third party shortcom				de details on how the it shall exercise control over any third-party contractors that may be involved cct.
Role of the Project Team	sure the effective and efficient implementation of the projec	of (May 500 words)			
Role of consultants, seconded staff and subcontrac	cting				
How do you plan on ensuring that external resources con	ntribute directly to the project for those skills/resources whi	ich are not available w	ithin the org	anisation? <u>(i</u>	f applicable) (Max. 300 words)
In cases where staff are engaged on the project for admir	inistrative purposes, then no expenditure shall be pegged w	vith this type of activit	y since such	costs shall be	covered through indirect costs.
		List of Specific Ac	tivities		
Activity Nr Activity Name Ac	ctivity Description	Net	VAT Non- eligible	Non- eligible	Total
Activity 1.1					

(insert name

The new application form enables the use of work packages, whereby proposed budget is split according to the type of activities foreseen. Project administration costs shall be included in the first work package, however such costs shall be covered through indirect costs as these are no longer deemed direct eligible costs in line with the eligibility rules. Simplified cost options may be explored for supporting administrative costs.

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Work Package 2: [SUBJECT]

This section is to be replicated for additional work packages. To open in Excel, right click on the object, click on 'Worksheet object' and select 'Open'.

▲ The applica	nt shall reproduce the table below for each work package						
Work Package numb	er						
Work Package title							
Annex VI Tables 2 ar Implementation Dim	nd 3 of the AMIF Regulation: Codes for the Type of Action and ension						
Duration							
List of Specific Activ	ities						
Activity Nr (continuous numbering linked to Work Package)	Activity Name	Activity Description	Net	VAT Eligible	VAI Non-eligible	Non- eligible	Total
Activity 2[1].1							

Different work packages shall be created for all of the activities foreseen in the project. Each work package shall be linked to the type of action and implementation dimension outlined in Tables 2 & 3 of Annex VI of the AMIF Regulation.

Overhead costs (Indirect costs) will continue to be subject to a flat rate.

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Fundamental Rights and Ed	quality principles
Identify how the horizontal pr	inciples mentioned below are considered. What measures are planned throughout the project design, implementation, monitoring, reporting and evaluation stages to ensure that the principles are safeguarded?
Gender Equality	The Applicant should explain how equality between men and women, integration of the gender perspective and gender mainstreaming are taken into account and promoted throughout the design, implementation, monitoring, reporting and closure of projects.
Equal Opportunities	The Applicant should take into consideration appropriate steps to ensure equal opportunities independent from gender, racial or ethnic origin, religion or belief, disability, age or sexual orientation throughout the design, implementation, monitoring, reporting and closure of projects.
Non-discrimination including accessibility for persons with disability	The Applicant should explain how measures are put in place during the design, implementation, monitoring, reporting and closure of projects to prevent discrimination in particular accessibility for persons with disabilities and ensure access for all.

In this section, it is expected to identify the way the project contributes towards the horizontal principles defined in Article 9 of the CPR namely gender equality, equal opportunities and non-discrimination.

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2.2 Project Implementation schedule

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Quarter	200					2024	2024	2024	2025	2025	2025	2025	2026	2026	2026	2026
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In this section, applicants are asked to indicate the timeline for the activities outlined in Section 2.1. The table should also include the financial forecasts for each activity, providing guidance on how expenditure will be incurred throughout the project's duration.

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2.3 Project Implementation status

In the box below, indicate the status of the procurement procedures envisaged under this project per WP. The Applicant is to indicate the total number of tenders at each level. The details are to be included as to the tender description, the timeframes, the contracted amounts etc.

Status of procurement	Number of tenders	Details
Design		
Drafted		
Launched		
Evaluation		
Appeals		
Contracted		
Being implemented		
Total no of tenders		

The status of the envisaged procurement including quotations, tenders etc. is to be included in this section.

Indicators



The Programme identifies a number of indicators intended to measure the results of the interventions. Applicants are therefore encouraged to consult the 'Indicators Guidance Notes' to familiarize themselves with the definitions of each output and result indicator.

Output indicators quantify the direct deliverables that can be measured following the implementation of a specific operation. Collectively, all the operations identified under a specific SO contribute to the attainment of the Programme's output indicator targets.

Result indicators measure the direct impact resulting from the interventions funded through the Programme. These focus more on the overall effects of the operations. Unlike output indicators, these do not include milestone targets. The baseline is set at zero since result indicators have to always be linked to the support of the Fund. Targets shall be achieved by 2029.

Throughout project implementation, applicants will report on output and result indicators via the SFD (MCIS) system, in accordance with the Common Provisions Regulation (CPR), for eventual transmission to the European Commission through the indicators data transmission exercise.

Indicators (2)



The targets below reflect the values established in the Programme, which each potential project proposal is expected to contribute to. These targets may be revised in response to dynamic factors that could influence the intended outcomes.

Output Indicators	Target (2029)
O.2.3 - Number of participants supported	10,025
O.2.3.3 - Of which number of participants who received personal professional guidance	333
O.2.7 - Number of integration projects where local and regional authorities are the beneficiary	9
Result Indicators	
R.2.9 - Number of participants who report that the activity was helpful for their integration	8,020





Thank you!

