

## 2012 ANNUAL PROGRAMME

MEMBER STATE:	the Republic of Latvia
FUND:	European Return Fund
RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY:	the Ministry of the Interior, Čiekurkalna 1 <sup>st</sup> line 1, k - 2, Riga, LV 1026
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### **1. GENERAL RULES FOR SELECTION OF PROJECTS TO BE FINANCED UNDER THE PROGRAMME**

#### **1.1. General principles for selection of projects**

As a general principle, the projects can be selected and implemented in two methods:

- **Responsible Authority acting as awarding body.** In this case open call for proposals will be organised, where project applicants compete equally for application approval and financing assignment;
- **Responsible Authority acting as executing body.** In this case the amount of financing allocated to action and the Competent Authority for the implementation of the respective action is known beforehand. This information is determined by the Management Committee while developing planning documents of the fund. In the framework of the executing body implementation method the Competent Authorities are responsible for preparation and submission of the project application to the Responsible Authority for the evaluation and approval. The Responsible Authority will approve and finance all of the project applications of the Competent Authorities that correspond to the evaluation criteria and will sign the agreement with the Competent Authorities, which will be similar to the grant agreement.

For evaluation of submitted project applications within both implementation methods – the awarding body and the executing body – similar evaluation procedure will be applied. Submitted project applications will be evaluated by the Project Evaluation Commission (established by the Responsible Authority) in the framework of the executing body implementation method. In the framework of the awarding body implementation method the submitted project applications will be evaluated by the Project Evaluation Commission and the Management Committee of the Fund. The evaluation criteria of the submitted project applications are approved by the Cabinet of Ministers of Latvia and fully comply with the minimum selection criteria defined in the basic act.

#### **1.2. Specific issues of the fund**

In the framework of 2012 Annual Programme (hereinafter – Programme) of the Fund following actions will be implemented only by definite state authorities (in executing body implementation method):

- Action 1.2.1. “Support for organisation and improvement of forced return activities”;
- Action 1.2.2. „Creation and development of digital archive of cases of illegal immigrants”;
- Action 1.3.2. „Development of returned persons record-keeping system”;
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- Action 1.8. “Reimbursement of Legal Aid Expenses in the field of provision of state ensured legal aid to third-country nationals staying illegally in the territory of the Republic of Latvia”;
- Action 4.5. “Training of legal aid providers and employees of the Legal Aid Administration in the field of provision of state ensured legal aid to third-country nationals staying illegally in the territory of the Republic of Latvia”.

The State Border Guard, the Office of Citizenship and Migration Affairs and the Legal Aid Administration have *de jure* monopoly rights on the implementation of these actions due to its' specifics and connection to national security matters.

Action 1.3.1. "Development and implementation of voluntary return programmes and reintegration activities" within the framework of Programme of the Fund will be implemented in awarding body implementation method. At this point it is possible to provide approximate measures that will be implemented where open call for proposals will be organised. Proposals on how to achieve the expected outcomes will be known only after the end of procedures of the call for proposals. In the description of actions listed below there are provided planned and expected results.

### **1.3. Timeline of selection and approval of projects**

Regarding actions to be implemented under the Annual Programme 2012 the Responsible Authority will send out invitations to the Competent Authorities to submit project applications in the 2<sup>st</sup> half of year 2012.

For actions to be implemented under the Programme in the awarding body implementation method the Responsible Authority will announce an open call for proposals for submitting the project applications in the in the 2<sup>st</sup> half of year 2012.

Afterwards project evaluation will take place and it is foreseen that evaluation of the submitted projects will last approximately 3 months, and if project applications will correspond to evaluation criteria, projects will be approved and grant agreements will be signed. The eligibility period for project implementation is from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2012, the end date – at the latest 30 June 2014. Project implementation for open call for proposals will start after signing of the grant agreements.

### **1.4. Procurement issues**

The Competent Authorities will be responsible for implementation of the approved projects, including organisation of procurement procedures and signing contracts with contractors according to the national legislation and the Article 11 of the implementing rules of the Fund. Public bodies are obliged to comply with the rules of the Public procurement law, which states that the minimum threshold for carrying out public procurement procedure in Latvia for services and products is 3 000 lats (~ 4 269 euro) and for construction works 10 000 (~ 14 228 euro). If the value of the planned contract is less than the abovementioned threshold, simplified procedure of public procurement has to be carried out having regard of the basic requirements for the public procurement principles (value for money principle, clearly defined criteria for the selection of the best offer, etc.).

### **1.5. Visibility of EC funding**

By implementing projects within the framework of the Fund, the Competent Authorities responsible for the implementation of the projects will be under obligation to provide information regarding use of the Fund financing in accordance with the guidelines for publicity and visual identity measures. This includes requirements for the Competent Authorities on publicity and visual identity measures to be taken depending on specifics of the project. As the main examples of the visual identity and publicity measures to be applicable during the implementation of the projects can be mentioned the following:

**Information boards** at the project implementation site – regarding the implementation of project related to the development of the infrastructure object whose total budget exceeds 100 000 EUR.

**Labels on the acquired equipment** – regarding the implementation of project related to the acquisition of any kind of equipment.

**Posters** in the training premises and Funds logo on the **training materials** – regarding the implementation of project related to organising trainings.

**Information and communication material** – publications (such as newsletters, booklets, brochures, handout materials produced for the organisation of trainings), data basis and audiovisual materials the front page will have to contain the information about the use of Funds financing in the production of the respective materials.

**Information events** (such as conferences and seminars) – on the documents and hand out materials used in such information events, the reference on the use of the Funds financing and logo of the Fund will have to be clearly visible.

**Websites** – the information given on the internet regarding the implementation of the project under implementation of the Fund will have to contain the reference on the use of the Funds financing and also the hyperlink to other European Commission websites concerning the implementation of the Fund will have to be included.

**Press releases** – information in the national or local mass media on the implementation of the project under the implementation of the Fund will have to contain the reference on the use of the Funds financing within implementation of the project.

According to the requirements of the Article 33 (2)(a) of the implementing rules the Responsible Authority will organise annual information activity with participation of the representatives of the media and all of the institutions involved in the implementation of the Fund with aim to give the information on the launch of the multiannual programme, the actions set for receiving financing within the Fund, the amount of financing allocated for the implementation of the actions; information on the annual programmes regarding the actions to be supported from within the framework of the annual programme concerned and also the information on the achievements of the implementation of the previous annual programme. The expenditure related to the annual information activity will be covered from the financial means of the technical assistance.

Also the names of the Final beneficiaries of the Fund as well as the names of the Competent Authorities, names of the approved projects as well as the information on the European Union funding and public funding allocated to implementation of the approved projects will be published in the official home page of the Responsible Authority (<http://www.iem.gov.lv>) on annual basis according to the requirements of Article 33 (2) (b) of the implementing rules.

## **1.6. State of play on three strategic objectives**

The strategic objective “the further development and improvement of voluntary return activities” relates to:

Action 1.3.1. „Development and implementation of voluntary return programmes and reintegration activities”

Voluntary return activities in Latvia further continue to be performed attracting the non-governmental sector, the IOM Office in Riga.

The strategic objective „the promotion of a more strategic focus on EU standarts through implementation of actions linked to the requirements of the return directive” relates to:

Action 1.2.1. “Support for organisation and improvement of forced return activities”

Action 1.2.2. “Creation and development of digital archive of cases of illegal immigrants”

Action 1.3.2. “Development of returned persons record-keeping system”

Action 1.8. “Reimbursement of Legal Aid Expenses in the field of provision of state ensured legal aid to third-country nationals staying illegally in the territory of the Republic of Latvia”

In order to introduce the requirements of the Return Directive, the Immigration Law was amended, including but not limited to the voluntary return principle, procedures of expulsion and detention of foreigners, as well as minor technical amendments.

During 2011 the number of first-time issued residence permits continued growing – 3777, comparing to 2010, when the number reached 2329 permits.

During 2011 several amendments to the laws and regulations as regards the easement of travel and residence by citizens from third countries to Latvia for the purposes of employment were also introduced. The amendments were related to the economic migration issues by setting higher levels for the investment amounts, based on which legal right to reside in the territory of Latvia may be acquired, within the Immigration Law.

1230 persons were rejected entry into Latvia during 2011 on the border; the number is 51% higher than in 2010. Most often the entry was rejected due to invalid travel documents, visas or residence permits or the presented visa or residence permit was forged. The total number of illegal immigrants, who were detained within the State, is relatively small. The number of detained persons has decreased since 2005 – from 307 persons, who were detained in 2005, to 195 in 2010, and 130 in 2011. Russia, Ukraine and Belarus are still countries, from which the largest number of illegal immigrants is detained.

By preventing the illegal migration trends in 2011, Latvia continued developing the cooperation between authorities, cooperation with third countries and has introduced a number of amendments to the national laws.

By introducing the requirements of the Return Directive, the voluntary return principle has been stipulated, the procedures of the detention and return of foreigners has been set, and minor technical amendments have been made.

To the strategic objective „the improvement of the national capabilities through co-operation with other Member States” relates to:

Action 4.5. “Training of legal aid providers and employees of the Legal Aid Administration in the field of provision of state ensured legal aid to third-country nationals staying illegally in the territory of the Republic of Latvia”

Optional forms of detention were identified – mandatory registration with the State Border Guard or delivery of the travel document. Detention of a foreigner shall only be applied in cases, where it is suspected that a foreigner avoids an expulsion procedure or in case the foreigner exposes danger to the public order and safety. The detention terms and reasons are also clarified – the total detention term is 6 months, in special cases, where the foreigner is not cooperative and thus the receipt of a travel document is hindered, the detention term may be prolonged by another 12 months. Until then the total detention period was 20 months. By prolonging the detention term the judges shall assess the circumstances established during the expulsion procedure, and shall consider circumstances, due to which the foreigner was detained.

Besides the amendments to the Immigration Law, the Cabinet of Ministers Regulations No.454 of 21 June 2011 was also adopted. These Regulations stipulate the form of the forced removal, departure of third-country nationals and the procedures for the issue thereof, and define the term “less protected individuals” by setting special provisions as regards to these individuals. In addition to the aforementioned a one-off benefit amounting to LVL 20,00 was introduced for the foreigners to be removed.

By adopting the requirements of the Return Directive in the Immigration Law, it was stipulated that in case the Office of Citizenship and Migration Affairs or the State Border Guard has established that the foreigner is subject to a departure decree or decision on forced return taken by another Member State, the head of either of the authorities or the authorised officials of him or her shall have the right, having assessed the case circumstances and having got in contact with the relevant Member State, to take a decision on the recognition of such departure decree or decision on forced return.

Till 2012 June, OCMA had organised:

- two business trips to The Contact committee in Brussels about Return Directive;

- business trip to Estonia to take part in ERF Project's „Development of Operational Cooperation in Baltic States on Return of Immigrants” work group.

<b>2. CHANGES IN THE MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL SYSTEMS</b>
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N/A

<b>3. ACTIONS TO BE SUPPORTED BY THE PROGRAMME UNDER THE PRIORITIES CHOSEN</b>
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<b>3.1. <i>Actions for implementation of the priorities chosen by the Republic of Latvia</i></b>
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**PRIORITY 1: Support for the development of a strategic approach to return management by Member States**

**Action 1.2.1.** “Support for organisation and improvement of forced return activities”

**Action 1.2.2.** “Creation and development of digital archive of cases of illegal immigrants”

**Action 1.3.1.** “Development and implementation of voluntary return programmes and reintegration activities”

**Action 1.3.2.** “Development of returned persons record-keeping system”

**Action 1.8.** “Reimbursement of Legal Aid Expenses in the field of provision of state ensured legal aid to third-country nationals staying illegally in the territory of the Republic of Latvia”

**PRIORITY 4: Support for the Union standards and best practices on return management**

**Action 4.5.** “Training of legal aid providers and employees of the Legal Aid Administration in the field of provision of state ensured legal aid to third-country nationals staying illegally in the territory of the Republic of Latvia”

<b>Action 1.2.1.</b>	<b>Support for organisation and improvement of forced return activities</b>
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**1. Purpose and scope of the action**

In accordance with Article 3 of the Immigration Law the State Border Guard (hereinafter - SBG) is an body of the interior which is responsible for dealing with the return issues of foreigners who have breached procedures for the entry and residence in the Republic of Latvia. SBG performs tasks related to taking a decision on removal if a foreigner has breached procedures for the entry and residence and that fact was detected at borderland or border crossing point, determines an entry ban, establishes the identity of foreigners, carries out detention and removal of foreigners, as well as cooperates with consular offices and immigration services of other countries in drawing up necessary documents. Taking into account that Latvia is a member state of the European Union (hereinafter - EU) and the Schengen Agreement, the increased pressures of illegal immigration can be predicted in the future, that creates the need to organize constantly the new removal measures. In order to aware the situation regarding the removal of illegal immigrants, in each case the analysis of removal route is carried out to determine the optimal removal measures.

Within the framework of the project it is planed the participation of the State Border Guard officials in charter flights/joint return flights to third countries, organized by EU Member

States/Frontex Agency, both removing foreigners from the territory of the Republic of Latvia and gaining experience in the observer status.

Due to the fact that in recent years, the number of illegal immigrants from exotic countries has increased and their removal has its own specific, it is appropriate to gain the nuances of removal of these third country nationals before their arrival in Latvia. This experience will allow the SBG officials to carry out their tasks qualitatively and achieve the objectives regarding common standards on return throughout the EU.

In accordance with the Immigration Law adopted on 1<sup>st</sup> May, 2033, the SBG officials shall carry out removal/return of illegal immigrants. Currently the SBG convoys the persons up to the state border, to the country of transit or the country of origin. In total, from 2002 till 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2011 from the Republic of Latvia 1 797 foreigners were removed. Each removal case is individual. Success is measured in both quantity and quality terms. A significant factor is the removal associated costs. The amount of costs will depend on the country to which foreigners is being removed.

This action is a multiannual action and is implemented within all Annual Programmes.

Within 2012 it is planned to remove up to 100 illegal immigrants.

The aim of this action is to organise forced return operations according to the Immigration law.

Within this action it is planned to:

- 1) use commercial flights for forced return of illegal immigrants;
- 2) purchase individual food sets that shall be given to illegal immigrants and escorts before forced return operation, thus providing illegal immigrants and escorts with the required food during realisation of forced return;
- 3) to participate in forced return operation organized by the Member States to rise practical knowledge;

## ***2. Expected grant recipients***

Taking into account the specifics of action set for the acquirement of co-financing of the Fund within the framework of the Annual Programme for year 2012, the action will be implemented by the Responsible Authority acting as an executing body.

The only Competent Authority for the implementation of the action 1.2.1. set for the acquirement of co-financing of the Fund within the framework of the Annual Programme for year 2012 is the State Border Guard.

## ***3. Where appropriate, justification regarding project(s) implemented directly by the responsible authority acting as an executing body***

In accordance with Article 50<sup>3</sup> (1) of the Immigration Law the State Border Guard (hereinafter - SBG) shall organize and carry out the forced return of the foreigners.

## ***4. Expected quantified results and indicators to be used***

Information on expected quantified results and indicators within the implementation of the action under the Annual Programme 2012 is presented in the table below.

<b>Results for AP 2012</b>	<b>Indicators</b>
<b><i>Action 1.2.1." Support for organisation and improvement of forced return activities"</i></b>	
Ensuring the execution of functions of the State Border Guard regarding forced return of illegal immigrants.	Up to 100 removed illegal immigrants

### 5. *Visibility of EC funding*

The project partners must always refer to the co-financing of this project from the European Return Fund in communications about this project. The EU logo and the statement of the Fund must be displayed on written material. Labels on the acquired equipment must be attached to material objects acquired.

### 6. *Complementarity with similar actions financed by other EC instruments, if appropriate*

The action set for co-financing of the Fund does not overlap with the actions financed by other EU financial instruments.

The national budget of the Republic of Latvia provides funds for direct functioning of institutions involved in return matters, however, it does not provide funds for development and improvement of these functions. The Fund investment is intended to be used for improvement of the return sphere in particular. It is planned to allocate national co-financing for implementation of approved actions and for maintenance of established or purchased objects from state budget.

### 7. *Financial information*

For implementation of **Action 1.2.1.** in the framework of Programme there are allocated financial resources in amount of **150 000 EUR.**

European Union contribution	112 500 EUR	75 %
Public allocation	37 500 EUR	25 %
Total of public sources	150 000 EUR	100 %
Private sources	0 EUR	0 %
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>150 000 EUR</b>	<b>100 %</b>

### 8. *Categorization of the action according to the typology for the Fund*

<b>LAYER 1 – ASSISTED VOLUNTARY RETURN OR FORCED RETURN</b>		
X	Typology B – Forced Return	100%
<b>LAYER 2 - (THE TEN TYPOLOGIES)</b>		
3.	Forced Return	100%

<b><u>Action 1.2.2.</u></b>	<b>Creation and development of digital archive of cases of illegal immigrants</b>
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#### 1. *Purpose and scope of the action*

The aim of the multi-annual activity 1.2.2. "Creation and development of digital archive of cases of illegal immigrants" was commenced in order to strengthen administrative capacity of the Office of Citizenship and Migration Affairs (hereinafter - OCMA) and provide fast decision making procedure and appropriate data handling security in the field of return, to establish digital documents file archive about persons who have contravened the conditions of immigration and residence permit. Main activities to be performed are determination of the most typical documents, development of the procedures for the movement of personal files of illegal immigrants during the period of adoption of digital archive; selection of cases; establishment of 2 scanning work stations; increasing the performance of the existing server system, software adjustment work.

If the Action 1.2.2. is realized within the Annual Programmes 2009, 2010 and 2011, the following activities are planned to accomplish within this action:

- work of experts for determination of atypical types of documents, consultations to the contractor regarding development and introduction of digital archive;

- 23 770 files of illegal immigrants selected and sorted according to developed procedures;
- establishment of 2 scanning work stations and purchase of software licenses;
- increased the performance of the existing server system;
- development and introduction of digital archive, by continuing the works for supplementing and integration of the existing software by the contractor;
- system user training (2 system administrators and 2 document scanning specialists);
- 13 000 files of illegal immigrants scanned;
- Commencing the development of procedures for the use of digital archive.

In the Annual Programme 2012 it is planned to continue implementation of this action. The Annual Programme 2012 anticipates providing of such activities:

- consultations to the contractor regarding development and introduction of digital archive;
- development of procedures for the use of digital archive;
- elaboration of agreements with an external user;
- sorting and selecting of documents of personal files;
- development and introduction of digital archive, by the contractor by continuing the work for supplementing and integrating the existing software;
- scanning of selected documents in files of illegal immigrants;
- training of OCMA users.

As regards the implementation of the Action 1.2.2. it can be confirmed that salaries for following tasks - persons files selection and documents scanning - will be paid to public officials who are involved in project implementation. Those persons will fulfil specific tasks which are outside their usual duties.

Digital archive's of the files of illegal immigrants implementation provides:

- fast information receipt on corresponding person;
- faster information administration's process to others EU member state migration services;
- shorter process of decisions making of persons, who contravene immigration and residence conditions;
- elevated person's data safety.

By implementing the digital archive of cases of illegal immigrants the OCMA will be able to ensure fast information receipt on a corresponding person (information about a person will be simultaneously available for several workers of the OCMA), faster information administration's process to migration services, as well as to other competent authorities or institutions abroad, when performing cooperation in the framework of intergovernmental cooperation agreements, as well as cooperating in the framework of intergovernmental consultation networks (SIS, SIRENE, VISION, Dublinet) that in general will shorten process of decision making on persons, who contravened immigration and residence conditions, thus also reducing expenses of accommodation of detained persons. There will be also prevented possibility to lose or damage files during its transmission or storing. Duplication of files additionally in electronic form increases general security of the system, essentially reducing risks connected to ill-intentioned loss of the files. In case that other state institutions involved in migration and return processes, such as the State Border Guard, the State Police, diplomatic and consular authorities of the Republic of Latvia, the Security Police, the Constitution Protection Bureau, etc. will need to get acquainted with certain document's content, it will be possible to send them document's electronic version.



## **2. Expected grant recipients**

Taking into account the specifics of action set for the acquirement of co-financing of the Fund within the framework of the Annual Programme for year 2012, the action will be implemented by the Responsible Authority acting as an executing body.

The only Competent Authority for the implementation of the action 1.2.2. set for the acquirement of co-financing of the Fund within the framework of the Annual Programme for year 2012 is the Office of Citizenship and Migration Affairs.

## **3. Where appropriate, justification regarding project(s) implemented directly by the responsible authority acting as an executing body**

The area of responsibility of the Office of Citizenship and Migration Affairs is part of return process action – delivering a voluntary return decision, making decision on aliens forced return, defining entry ban, delivering departure documents, making decision on person reception – wherewith accordingly own area of responsibility OCMA accumulates persons files, who contravene immigration and residence conditions in state.

## **4. Expected quantified results and indicators to be used**

Information on expected quantified results and indicators within the implementation of the action under the Annual Programme 2012 is presented in the table below.

<b>Results for AP 2012</b>	<b>Indicators</b>
<b><i>Action 1.2.2. "Creation and development of digital archive of cases of illegal immigrants"</i></b>	
To develop and support specialised programming adjustments	Contractor has been consulted regarding development and introduction of digital archive; Software supplementing and integration works performed pursuant to the scope of terms of reference specified in the agreement
To develop procedures for the use of digital archive	OCMA internal procedures for the use of digital archive developed and approved; elaboration of agreements with an external user
To select and scan certain number of personal files	Next 6 230 files selected and 8,500 personal files scanned
To train the OCMA users	60 employees of the OCMA trained

## **5. Visibility of EC funding**

The project partners must always refer to the co-financing of this project from the European Return Fund in communications about this project. The EU logo and the statement of the Fund must be displayed on written material. Labels on the acquired equipment must be attached to material objects acquired.

## **6. Complementarity with similar actions financed by other EC instruments, if appropriate**

The action set for co-financing of the Fund does not overlap with the actions financed by other EU financial instruments, but only replenish it.

The Action 1.2.2. "Creation and development of digital archive of cases of illegal immigrants" provides continuation for the Transition Facility project "Improvement of Circulation, Processing and Safekeeping of Immigration Case Files", which the Office of Citizenship and Migration Affairs implemented from November 2007 to December 2008. This action will take steps to implement the recommendations regarding data security set

forth in the Action Plan which was developed within the framework of the above mentioned Transition Facility project."

The national budget of the Republic of Latvia provides funds for direct functioning of institutions involved in return matters, however, it does not provide funds for development and improvement of these functions. The Fund investment is intended to be used for improvement of the return sphere in particular. It is planned to allocate national co-financing for implementation of approved actions and for maintenance of established or purchased objects from state budget.

### **7. Financial information**

For implementation of **Action 1.2.2.** in the framework of Programme there are allocated financial resources in amount of **160 785 EUR**, which will be used to finance experts, to supplement and integrate the software (subcontracting), to cover amortization costs for supplied equipment and to organize seminars.

European Union contribution	120 588,75 EUR	75 %
Public allocation	40 196,25 EUR	25 %
Total of public sources	160 785 EUR	100 %
Private sources	0 EUR	0 %
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>160 785 EUR</b>	<b>100 %</b>

### **8. Categorisation of the action according to the typology for the Fund**

<b>LAYER 1 – ASSISTED VOLUNTARY RETURN OR FORCED RETURN</b>		
X	Typology A – Assisted Voluntary Return	87 %
X	Typology B – Forced Return	13%
<b>LAYER 2 - (THE TEN TYPOLOGIES)</b>		
7. Capacity building -infrastructure and tools		89%
6. Capacity building of staff		11%

<b><u>Action 1.3.1.</u></b>	<b>„Development and implementation of voluntary return programmes and reintegration activities”</b>
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#### **1. Purpose and scope of the action**

The aim of this action is implementation of voluntary return programmes and realisation of return of returnees via reintegration activities.

Within the framework of the annual programme 2008 - 2009 voluntary return programmes and reintegration activities were implemented as separate actions:

- 1.3.action "Support for development and implementation of voluntary return programmes";
- 1.4.action "Support for development and implementation of reintegration activities".

Taking into consideration the fact that reintegration activities are considered to be the integral part of voluntary return that will motivate the potential returnees to use this chance starting with the 2010 annual programme the aforementioned actions are planned to be combined and to be implemented jointly.

Due to importance of this action it's implementation will be continued in the Annual Programme 2011 and 2012.

Given measures are necessary in order to continue functioning of voluntary return in Latvia according to the Directive 2008/115/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 2008 that in its turn the priority will be given to voluntary return instead of forced return and will give an opportunity to the returnees when returning to their countries of origin to be able to provide for themselves.

Within this action it is planned:

- 1) to organise voluntary return and realise reintegration programmes of returnees;
- 2) to develop and distribute respective methodological and informative materials;
- 3) to gather regularly information about of potential returnees and providing information to them on possibilities of voluntary return, and other tasks related to the aim of this action.

## ***2. Expected grant recipients***

In the framework of this action there will be organised **open call for proposals** in which the legal entity responsible for implementing projects such as NGOs, national, regional or local authorities, other non-profit organisations, private or public-law companies or international organisations can take part.

## ***3. Where appropriate, justification regarding project(s) implemented directly by the responsible authority acting as an executing body***

N/A

## ***4. Expected quantified results and indicators to be used***

Information on expected quantified results and indicators within the implementation of the action under the Annual Programme 2012 is presented in the table below.

<b>Results for AP 2012</b>	<b>Indicators</b>
<b><i>Action 1.3.1. „Development and implementation of voluntary return programmes and reintegration activities”</i></b>	
To carry out voluntary return programmes	107 persons taking part in voluntary return programmes
To carry out reintegration activities	35 persons taking part in reintegration activities

## ***5. Visibility of EC funding***

The project partners must always refer to the co-financing of this project from the European Return Fund in communications about this project. The EU logo and the statement of the Fund must be displayed on information and communication materials and documents used during the information events.

## ***6. Complementarity with similar actions financed by other EC instruments, if appropriate***

The action set for co-financing of the Fund does not overlap with the actions financed by other EU financial instruments, but only replenish it.

The national budget of the Republic of Latvia provides funds for direct functioning of institutions involved in return matters, however, it does not provide funds for development and improvement of these functions. The Fund investment is intended to be used for improvement of the return sphere in particular.

## ***7. Financial information***

For implementation of **Action 1.3.1.** in the framework of Programme there are allocated financial resources in amount of **145 000 EUR**. Financial resources will be allocated in

accordance with results of opened call for proposals and are foreseen for covering of expenses as follows:

- expenditures connected to realisation of voluntary return of returnees;
- expenditures connected to realisation of reintegration programmes of returnees;
- study seminars and visits regarding voluntary return;
- development of methodological and informative materials;
- other expenditures connected to implementation of the action.

European Union contribution	108 750 EUR	75 %
Public allocation	36 250 EUR	25 %
Total of public sources	145 000 EUR	100 %
Private sources	0 EUR	0 %
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>145 000 EUR</b>	<b>100 %</b>

#### **8. Categorisation of the action according to the typology for the Fund**

<b>LAYER 1 – ASSISTED VOLUNTARY RETURN OR FORCED RETURN</b>		
X	Typology A – Assisted Voluntary Return	100 %
<b>LAYER 2 - (THE TEN TYPOLOGIES)</b>		
7. AVR (assisted voluntary return)		100%

<b><u>Action 1.3.2.</u></b>	<b>“Development of returned persons record-keeping system”</b>
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#### **1. Purpose and scope of the action**

Considering that Latvia introduced in the national legislation European Parliament and Council’s Directive 2008/115/EC (16 December 2008) on common standards and procedures to member states regarding those third country nationals return, who reside in member state illegal (further – Return directive), conditions, responsible institutions have to provide third country nationals return procedure according to Return directive. On 16 June 2011 the amendments in the Immigration Law came into force, comprising all requirements of the Return Directive. According to the new Immigration Law, voluntary return and forced return decisions are issued both by the Office of Citizenship and Migration Affairs and the State Border Guard.

The Return Directive provides that voluntary return should be preferred over forced return, which may result in increase in the number of persons returned voluntary instead of forced return. The existing legislation provides that the decision in relation to including a foreigner into the list of foreigners banned from entry to the Republic of Latvia may be incorporated in a voluntary return decision. The wording “may be incorporated” comprises also the possibility to act otherwise in which case the aforementioned persons shall enjoy the right of free movement and they shall no longer be subjects of the subsystem of re-entry bans of the Common migration information system. Previously (until the transposition of the Return directive), a person had to be included into the subsystem of re-entry bans of the Common migration information system if the person is the subject of return decision with regard to the territory of the Republic of Latvia and the return decision included a re-entry ban. Consequently, the Entry Ban Subsystem of the Common Migration Information System must be reorganised into a system which stores data on all returned persons: regarding persons who

have forced or voluntary returned, persons for whom entry ban has been stated and persons for whom entry ban has not been stated. Since persons who return to their country of origin voluntarily receive various assistance, which includes national and the EU funds it is necessary to collect and accumulate data also on the assistance provided to these individuals. Taking into account the mentioned above, the objective of the action is to ensure quality data collection regarding all persons who have been returned forced or voluntarily, and regarding the returnees for whom entry ban has been stated and returnees for whom entry ban has not been stated, as well as regarding received assistance in voluntary return programmes, and also in order to provide necessary statistics in the return field according to Regulation No. 862/2007 (Statistics Regulation) of the European Parliament and of the Council.

The improved subsystem will be linked to the digital archive of cases of illegal immigrants where personal file documents will be stored in electronic form, thus good synergy will be ensured between the electronic documents archive and the returned persons' record-keeping system. User will have access not only to basic data on returned persons but also to all personal file documents, thus speeding up the proceedings.

Within the Annual Programme 2010 the multi-annual action "Development of returned persons record-keeping system" was commenced in order to ensure quality of data collection on returned persons.

Within the Action 1.3.2 of the Annual Programme 2010 and 2011 the following activities are planned to accomplish:

- 1) to develop the legal framework for data collection;
- 2) to develop a concept for data record-keeping system;
- 3) to develop a requirements specification for data record-keeping system;
- 4) to develop and implement design and prototype for returned persons data record-keeping system.

Within the Annual Programme 2012 it is foreseen to ensure initial data record-keeping system's functionality in test environment.

Implementation of this action will provide effective application of Return directive in return process of third country nationals.

## ***2. Expected grant recipients***

Taking into account the specifics of action set for the acquirement of co-financing of the Fund within the framework of the Annual Programme for year 2012, the action will be implemented by the Responsible Authority acting as an executing body.

The only Competent Authority for the implementation of the action 1.3.2. set for the acquirement of co-financing of the Fund within the framework of the Annual Programme for year 2012 is the Office of Citizenship and Migration Affairs.

## ***3. Where appropriate, justification regarding project(s) implemented directly by the responsible authority acting as an executing body***

The Office of Citizenship and Migration Affairs fulfils following return process actions – delivering a voluntary return decision, making decision on aliens forced return, defining entry ban, delivering departure documents, making decision on person reception – wherewith accordingly own area of responsibility OCMA collects persons files, who contravene immigration and residence conditions.

## ***4. Expected quantified results and indicators to be used***

Information on expected quantified results and indicators within the implementation of the action under the Annual Programme 2012 is presented in the table below.

Results for AP 2012	Indicators
<b>Action 1.3.2. "Development of returned persons record-keeping system"</b>	
to develop and ensure initial data record-keeping system's functionality in test environment	developed and ensured initial data record-keeping system's functionality in test environment

### 5. Visibility of EC funding

The project partners must always refer to the co-financing of this project from the European Return Fund in communications about this project. The EU logo and the statement of the Fund must be displayed on information and communication materials and documents used during the information events.

### 6. Complementarity with similar actions financed by other EC instruments, if appropriate

The action set for co-financing of the Fund does not overlap with the actions financed by other EU financial instruments, but only replenish it.

The national budget of the Republic of Latvia provides funds for direct functioning of institutions involved in return matters, however, it does not provide funds for development and improvement of these functions. The Fund investment is intended to be used for improvement of the return sphere in particular. It is planned to allocate national co-financing for implementation of approved actions and for maintenance of established or purchased objects from state budget.

### 7. Financial information

For implementation of **Action 1.3.2.** in the framework of Programme there are allocated financial resources in amount of **206 705,16 EUR** which will be used to finance involved institutions' experts, external experts and to implement returned persons data record-keeping system (subcontracting).

European Union contribution	155 028,87 EUR	75 %
Public allocation	51 676,29 EUR	25 %
Total of public sources	206 705,16 EUR	100 %
Private sources	0 EUR	0 %
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>206 705,16 EUR</b>	<b>100 %</b>

### 8. Categorisation of the action according to the typology for the Fund

<b>LAYER 1 – ASSISTED VOLUNTARY RETURN OR FORCED RETURN</b>		
X	Typology A – Assisted Voluntary Return	87 %
X	Typology B – Forced Return	13%
<b>LAYER 2 - (THE TEN TYPOLOGIES)</b>		
7. Capacity building -infrastructure and tools		100%

<b>Action 1.8.</b>	<b>Reimbursement of Legal Aid Expenses in the field of provision of state ensured legal aid to third-country nationals staying illegally in the territory of the Republic of Latvia</b>
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***1. Purpose and scope of the action***

Purpose this action is the reimbursement of Legal Aid Expenses in the field of provision of state ensured legal aid to third-country nationals staying illegally in the territory of the Republic of Latvia. Each year the number of third-country nationals staying illegally in the territory of the Republic of Latvia increases, and more and more problems arise from lack of access to competent legal assistance.

In accordance with the *Directive 2008/115/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of on common standards and procedures in Member States for returning illegally staying third-country nationals* (16 December 2008) amendments in the State ensure Legal Aid Law and Immigration law regarding free of charge legal assistance for third-country nationals staying illegally in the territory of the Republic of Latvia have been passed.

Experience in asylum seeker cases indicates that lack of financial recourses for reimbursement of Legal Aid Expenses can impact negatively the quality of provided state ensured legal aid. Therefore obtainment of financial aid in the field of provision of state ensured legal aid to third-country nationals staying illegally in the territory of the Republic of Latvia is of high importance.

Implementation of the given Action will guarantee that lack of financial resources will not be an obstacle for the provision of state ensured legal aid to third-country nationals staying illegally in the territory of the Republic of Latvia and that the necessary legal aid will be provided in full scope. Eventually it will lead to attainment of the main objective – to ensure a swift, accessible and competent legal aid to third-country nationals staying illegally in the territory of the Republic of Latvia.

***2. Expected grant recipients***

Taking into account the specific action set for the acquirements of co-financing of the Fund within the framework of the Annual Programme for year 2012, the action will be implemented by the Responsible Authority acting as an executing body.

The only Competent Authority for the implementation of the action 1.8. set for the acquirement of co-financing of the Fund within the framework of the Annual Programme for the 2012 is the Legal Aid Administration - the sole public office in Latvia responsible for legal aid.

***3. Where appropriate, justification regarding project(s) implemented directly by the responsible authority acting as an executing body***

The Latvian Legal Aid Administration is the sole public office in Latvia responsible for legal aid and it is directly subordinated to the Minister of Justice of the Republic of Latvia. According to Section 7 of the State Ensured Legal Aid Law the Legal Aid Administration is responsible for the provision of legal aid in the cases and according to the procedures specified in the State Ensured Legal Aid Law, which, in accordance to the paragraph (2<sup>1</sup>) of the Section 5 of State Ensured Legal Aid Law, also includes provision of state ensure legal aid to third-country nationals staying illegally in the territory of the Republic of Latvia.

***4. Expected quantified results and indicators to be used***

Information on expected quantified results and indicators within the implementation of the action under the Annual Programme 2012 is presented in the table below.

<b>Results for AP 2012</b>	<b>Indicators</b>
<b><i>Action 1.8. „Reimbursement of Legal Aid Expenses in cases when legal aid is provided to third-country nationals staying illegally in the territory of Member States”</i></b>	

Legal Aid Administration has ensured a qualitative provision of legal aid to third-country nationals staying illegally in the territory of the Republic of Latvia by the means of fully reimbursing the Legal Aid Expenses (provided legal aid, translations, traveling costs)	82 third-country nationals staying illegally in the territory of the Republic of Latvia received the necessary legal aid.
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### **5. Visibility of EC funding**

The project partners must always refer to the co-financing of this project from the European Return Fund in communications about this project. The EU logo and the statement of the Fund must be displayed on information and communication materials and documents used during the information events.

### **6. Complementarity with similar actions financed by other EC instruments, if appropriate**

The action set for co-financing of the Fund does not overlap with the actions financed by other EU financial instruments, but only replenish it.

The national budget of the Republic of Latvia provides funds for direct functioning of institutions involved in return matters, however, it does not provide funds for development and improvement of these functions. The Fund investment is intended to be used for improvement of the return sphere in particular. It is planned to allocate national co-financing for implementation of approved actions and for maintenance of established or purchased objects from state budget.

### **7. Financial information**

For implementation of **Action 1.8.** within the framework of Programme there are allocated financial resources in amount of **38 838 EUR.**

European Union contribution	29 128,50 EUR	75 %
Public allocation	9 709,50 EUR	25 %
Total of public sources	38 838 EUR	100 %
Private sources	0 EUR	0 %
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>38 838 EUR</b>	<b>100 %</b>

### **8. Categorisation of the action according to the typology for the Fund**

<b>LAYER 1 – ASSISTED VOLUNTARY RETURN OR FORCED RETURN</b>		
X	Typology A – Assisted Voluntary Return	100 %
<b>LAYER 2 - (THE TEN TYPOLOGIES)</b>		
4. Counselling and information		100 %

<b><u>Action 4.5.</u></b>	<b>Training of legal aid providers and employees of the Legal Aid Administration in the field of provision of state ensured legal aid to third-country nationals staying illegally in the territory of the Republic of Latvia</b>
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### **1. Purpose and scope of the action**

Purpose of Action 4.5. is training of legal aid providers and employees of the Legal Aid Administration in the field of provision of state ensured legal aid to third-country nationals staying illegally in the territory of the Republic of Latvia, which includes language skill



development. Each year the number of third-country nationals staying illegally in the territory of the Republic of Latvia increases, and more and more problems arise from lack of access to competent legal assistance.

In accordance with the *Directive 2008/115/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of on common standards and procedures in Member States for returning illegally staying third-country nationals* (16 December 2008) amendments in the State ensure Legal Aid Law and Immigration law regarding free of charge legal assistance for third-country nationals staying illegally in the territory of the Republic of Latvia have been passed.

The Legal Aid Administrations experience indicates that lack of particular skills that are necessary to work with this social group, includes the necessary language skills, impacts negatively the quality of provided state ensured legal aid. Therefore the issue on training the legal aid providers and employees of the Legal Aid Administration in the field of provision of state ensured legal aid to third-country nationals staying illegally in the territory of the Republic of Latvia, which includes language skill development, is of high importance.

Implementation of the given Action will significantly strengthen the administrative capacity of the Legal Aid Administration and will ensure that the employees of the Legal Aid Administration and the legal aid providers will be more educated and competent in the issues related to provision of state ensured legal aid to third-country nationals staying illegally in the territory of the Republic of Latvia. Eventually it will lead to attainment of the main objective – to ensure a swift, accessible and competent legal aid to third-country nationals staying illegally in the territory of the Republic of Latvia.

## **2. Expected grant recipients**

Taking into account the specific action set for the acquirements of co-financing of the Fund within the framework of the Annual Programme for year 2012, the action will be implemented by the Responsible Authority acting as an executing body.

The only Competent Authority for the implementation of the action 4.5. set for the acquirement of co-financing of the Fund within the framework of the Annual Programme for the 2012 is the Legal Aid Administration - the sole public office in Latvia responsible for legal aid.

## **3. Where appropriate, justification regarding project(s) implemented directly by the responsible authority acting as an executing body**

The Latvian Legal Aid Administration is the sole public office in Latvia responsible for legal aid and it is directly subordinated to the Minister of Justice of the Republic of Latvia. According to Section 7 of the State Ensured Legal Aid Law the Legal Aid Administration is responsible for the provision of legal aid in the cases and according to the procedures specified in the State Ensured Legal Aid Law, which, in accordance to the paragraph (2<sup>1</sup>) of the Section 5 of State Ensured Legal Aid Law, also includes provision of state ensure legal aid to third-country nationals staying illegally in the territory of the Republic of Latvia.

## **4. Expected quantified results and indicators to be used**

Information on expected quantified results and indicators within the implementation of the action under the Annual Programme 2012 is presented in the table below.

<b>Results for AP 2012</b>	<b>Indicators</b>
<b><i>Action 4.5. „Training of employees of the Legal Aid Administration and legal aid providers in the field of provision of state ensured legal aid to third-country nationals staying illegally in the territory of Member States”</i></b>	
Legal Aid Administration employees and legal aid providers have improved their professional skills on issues concerning provision of state ensured legal aid to third-	10 trained Legal Aid Administration employees and 2 Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Latvia employees in the field of provision of state ensured legal aid to third-

country nationals staying illegally in the territory of Member States	country nationals staying illegally in the territory of Member States
	16 trained legal aid providers in the field of provision of state ensured legal aid to third-country nationals staying illegally in the territory of Member States
Legal Aid Administration employees have expended their knowledge that is improved overall service effectiveness and quality by the means of experience exchange on best practices and best regulations	8 Legal Aid Administration employees gained invaluable experience and knowledge in the field of provision of state ensured legal aid to third-country nationals staying illegally in the territory of Member States
Legal Aid Administration employees and legal aid providers have improved their language skill to provide a better quality state ensured legal aid	9 Legal Aid Administration employees and 9 legal aid providers have improved their language skill
Legal Aid Administration employees have expended their knowledge that is improved overall service effectiveness and quality by the means of experience exchange on best practices and best regulations	5 Legal Aid Administration employees gained invaluable experience and knowledge in the field of provision of state ensured legal aid to third-country nationals staying illegally in the territory of Member States
Legal Aid Administration employees, legal aid providers and employees from other national bodies exchange experience about the problems encountered in practice in the field of provision of legal aid to third-country nationals staying illegally in the territory of Member States	10 Legal aid administration employees, 16 legal aid providers, 2 employees from the Office of Citizenship and Migration Affairs and 2 employees from the State Border guard, 2 Administrative court judges and two employees from the Latvian Center for Human Rights have collectively identified problems in practice and have gained experience and knowledge in the field of provision of state ensured legal aid to third-country nationals staying illegally in the territory of Member States

### ***5. Visibility of EC funding***

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### ***6. Complementarity with similar actions financed by other EC instruments, if appropriate***

The action set for co-financing of the Fund does not overlap with the actions financed by other EU financial instruments, but only replenish it.

The national budget of the Republic of Latvia provides funds for direct functioning of institutions involved in return matters, however, it does not provide funds for development and improvement of these functions. The Fund investment is intended to be used for improvement of the return sphere in particular. It is planned to allocate national co-financing for implementation of approved actions and for maintenance of established or purchased objects from state budget.

## 7. Financial information

For implementation of **Action 4.5.** within the framework of Programme there are allocated financial resources in amount of **28 620 EUR.**

European Union contribution	21 465 EUR	75 %
Public allocation	7 155 EUR	25 %
Total of public sources	28 620 EUR	100 %
Private sources	0 EUR	0 %
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>28 620 EUR</b>	<b>100 %</b>

## 8. Categorisation of the action according to the typology for the Fund

<b>LAYER 1 – ASSISTED VOLUNTARY RETURN OR FORCED RETURN</b>		
X	Typology A – Assisted Voluntary Return	100 %
<b>LAYER 2 - (THE TEN TYPOLOGIES)</b>		
4. Counselling and information		100%

### 4. TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

#### 4.1. Purpose of the technical assistance

In order to strengthen the administrative capacity of the institutions involved in management, control and supervision of the implementation of the fund (responsible authority, certifying authority and audit authority), as well as to ensure qualitative and adequate fulfilment of their tasks, possible areas of application of the technical assistance financing are as follows:

#### *Responsible authority:*

- Salaries of employees involved in ensuring of fulfilment of functions of the Responsible Authority (expenditure will be covered in full amount from the financial means of technical assistance for the employees whose direct duties will be related only to implementation of the Fund);
- Travel expenses related to the implementation of the Fund;
- Improvement of the professional qualification of the employees involved in ensuring of fulfilment of functions of the Responsible Authority by organising training courses;
- Ensuring the realisation of *on-the-spot* checks;
- Expert fees of experts forming project applications evaluation commission;
- Ensuring project and programme evaluation;
- Translation of the documents related to the implementation of the Fund (English – Latvian, Latvian – English);
- Ensuring the organisation of the annual information activity.

#### *Certifying authority:*

- Salaries of the employees involved in ensuring of the fulfilment of functions of the Certifying Authority and travel expenses related to implementation of the Fund (expenditure will be covered in full amount from the financial means of the technical assistance for the employees whose direct duties will be related only to implementation of the Fund);

#### *Audit authority:*

- Drawing up of part C of an annual audit report to the European Commission about the annual programme – declaration assessing the validity of the request for payment or statement of reimbursement of the final balance and the legality and regularity of the expenditure concerned by the use of outsourcing;
- Travel expenses that are related to the implementation of the Fund (expenditure will be covered in full amount from the financial means of the technical assistance for the employees whose direct duties will be related to the implementation of the Fund);
- Improvement of the professional qualification of the employees involved in ensuring of the fulfilment of functions of the Audit Authority by organising training courses.

Precise division of the technical assistance financing among the institutions involved in management, control and supervision of the implementation of the fund, as well as precise areas of application of this financing will be determined in agreement concluded between the Responsible authority and the recipient of the technical assistance financing.

#### **4.2. *Expected quantified results***

##### *Responsible authority:*

- For the fulfilment of the functions of the Responsible Authority, currently it is planned to involve employees, who will fulfil the tasks concerning implementation of the 3 funds which are under management of one the Responsible Authority (the Ministry of the Interior);
- At least one *on-the-spot* check at the site of the implementation of every project under implementation of the annual programme 2012 will be realised;
- The evaluation of the project applications submitted within the framework of annual programme 2012 will be ensured;
- The annual information activity according to the requirements of Article 33 (2)(a) of the implementing rules will be held;
- The improvement of professional qualification of employees involved in ensuring of fulfilment of functions of the Responsible Authority by organising training courses will be ensured;
- The elaboration of the documentation related to the implementation of the Fund and adequate translation of the documentation to English will be ensured;
- The financing of the programme evaluation actions will be ensured.

##### *Certifying authority:*

- For fulfilment of the functions of the Certifying Authority it is planned to involve employees for carrying out tasks concerning implementation of all 4 funds;
- Ensured certification of the expenditure and submission of the declaration of the certified expenditure to the European Commission.

##### *Audit authority:*

- For fulfilment of the functions of the Audit Authority it is planned to involve employees for carrying out tasks concerning implementation of all 4 Funds;
- Ensured drawing up of the part C of an annual audit report to the European Commission about the annual programme 2012 – declaration assessing the validity of the request for payment or statement of reimbursement of the final balance and the legality and regularity of the expenditure concerned, by the use of outsourcing, after carrying out the appropriate procurement procedure according to the requirements of the national legislation.
- Realised one on-the-spot check of selective verification of expenditures.

Considering the fact that in Latvia there are common authorities responsible for the management, control and supervision of the implementation of several funds, expenditure of

technical assistance actions will be directed to the particular fund, basing upon the proportion of the financing amount available within funds.

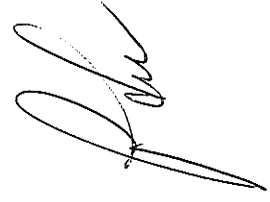
#### **4.3. *Visibility of EC funding***

By implementing the technical assistance projects within the framework of the Fund the authorities involved in management, control and supervision of the implementation of the Fund that will be receiving the technical assistance funding, will be under obligation to provide information regarding use of the Fund financing within the implementation of the project. Therefore, the Responsible Authority has drafted guidelines for publicity and visual identity measures, which will include requirements on publicity and visual identity measures to be taken. The nature of the guidelines is similar to those described in the section 3.1.5. (*Visibility of EC funding*) of this document.

The aforementioned guidelines for publicity and visual identity measures to be taken during the implementation of the technical assistance project will be attached as annex to the agreement concluded between the Responsible Authority and the recipient of the technical assistance financing.

**5. DRAFT FINANCING PLAN**

Annual Programme - Draft Financial Plan										
Table 1 - Overview table										
Member State: [Republic of Latvia]										
Annual programme concerned: [2012]										
Fund: [European Return Fund]										
(all figures in euro)	Ref. Priority	Ref. specific priority (1)	European Union Contribution (a)	Public Allocation (b)	Private Allocation (c)	TOTAL (d=a+b+c)	% EC (e=a/d)	Share of total (f=d/total d)		
Action 1.2.1. [Support for organisation and improvement of forced return activities]	Priority 1	N/A	112 500,00	37 500,00	0,00	150 000,00	75,00%	19,13%		
Action 1.2.2. [Creation and development of digital archive of cases of illegal immigrants]	Priority 1	N/A	120 588,75	40 196,25	0,00	160 785,00	75,00%	20,51%		
Action 1.3.1. [Development and implementation of voluntary return programmes and reintegration activities]	Priority 1	N/A	108 750,00	36 250,00	0,00	145 000,00	75,00%	18,49%		
Action 1.3.2. [Development of returned persons record-keeping system]	Priority 1	N/A	155 028,87	51 676,29	0,00	206 705,16	75,00%	26,37%		
Action 1.8. [Reimbursement of Legal Aid Expenses in the field of provision of state ensured legal aid to third-country nationals staying illegally in the territory of the Republic of Latvia]	Priority 1	N/A	29 128,50	9 709,50	0,00	38 838,00	75,00%	4,95%		
Action 4.5. [Training of legal aid providers and employees of the Legal Aid Administration in the field of provision of state ensured legal aid to third-country nationals staying illegally in the territory of the Republic of Latvia]	Priority 4	N/A	21 465,00	7 155,00	0,00	28 620,00	75,00%	3,65%		
Technical assistance	N/A	N/A	54 060,88	0,00	0,00	54 060,88	100,00%	6,90%		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>601 522,00</b>	<b>182 487,04</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>784 009,04</b>	<b>76,72%</b>	<b>100,00%</b>		



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