

Valletta Harbour, 12 December 2022 EUAA/ED/2022/402

Mr Anas Ambri

Sent by email to: ask+request-12053-53bc7970@asktheeu.org

Subject: Your application for access to EUAA documents (No 000695)

Dear Mr. Ambri,

Reference is made to your correspondence dated 21 October 2022 (registered on 16 November 2022) in which you submitted to the European Union Agency for Asylum ('EUAA') a request for access to:

- "- statistics on the number of Member States experts, Associate Country experts, Individual experts deployed to Cyprus, from January 2020 until today. These statistics should include information on the category of each resource deployed, as well as their EU member state of origin,
- statistics on the number of Seconded National Experts (SNEs) deployed to Cyprus, from January 2020 until today. These statistics should include the EU member state of origin of each resource, as well as the public organisation from which the resource is seconded,
- statistics on the number of Experts on contract deployed to Cyprus, from January 2020 until today. These statistics should include the EU member state of origin of each resource, as well as the legal entity that's contracting them."

Please be informed that your request (No 000695) has been treated as an application for public access to documents falling under the provisions of Regulation (EC) No $1049/2001^1$, in accordance with Management Board Decision No 6 of 20 September 2011^2 .

I. PRELIMINARY REMARKS

As a starting point, the right of access to documents under Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 only concerns existing documents in accordance with well-established Union case law³. As such, the Agency is not required to develop any new documents or compile information from a number of different documents in response to your present application.

Nonetheless, the EUAA is highly committed to the principle of transparency and the rights of individuals to access documents of EU institutions, bodies and agencies as laid down in both Article 15 of the TFEU and Article 42 of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the EU.



¹ Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 May 2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents, (OJ L 145, 31.5.2001, p. 43).

² Management Board Decision No 6 of 20 September 2011 laying down practical arrangements to the documents of the European Asylum Support Office (EASO).

 $^{^3}$ See for instance the judgment of the EU General Court of 2 July 2015 in Case T-214/13, Typke v Commission.



As such, in response to your application - and in accordance with the principle of good administration - the EUAA carried out particular administrative efforts in order to extract the requested statistics from the Agency's relevant platform in a manner which is most service-oriented, in line with the specifics of your request where possible.

II. STATISTICS IDENTIFIED

Having carefully examined your request and after having consulted the relevant internal entities, the Agency has identified the following statistics falling under the scope of your application:

- The number of different categories of resources (Member States Experts/ Individual Experts) deployed to Cyprus from 1 January 2020 to 21 November 2022 by EU Member State of origin; and
- The number of Remunerated External Experts deployed to Cyprus from 1 January 2020 to 21 November 2022 by contacting entity and home EU Member State.

In the spirit of transparency and good administration, I am pleased to inform you that the requested statistics can be found in the documents attached to this letter.

Yours sincerely,

Nina Gregori Executive Director 12 DEC 2022

Attachments:

- The number of different categories of resources (Member States Experts/ Individual Experts) deployed to Cyprus from 1 January 2020 to 21 November 2022 by EU Member State of origin (source of information: Internal EUAA Platform on deployment);
- The number of Remunerated External Experts deployed to Cyprus from 1 January 2020 to 21
 November 2022 by contacting entity and home EU Member State.