

# INTEGRA-TRAIN PROJECT: Update on Social Orientation Measures and Refugee Support in Italy

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# Italy is in a transition period....

The new government:

- ✓ has changed the approach about landings of illegal immigrants
- ✓ has adopted a more **restrictive position** about the concept of **protection**

Due to the entry into force of the **Decree-Law 113/2018 *Urgent measures on international protection and migration and public security***... **the refugee support system in Italy is now changing**

# Reception System *before*

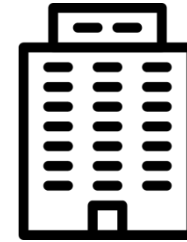
## RESCUING AND IDENTIFICATION



Hot Spot

Asylum request

No



Centers for  
Identification and  
Expulsion - CPIE

REPATRATION



Yes

FIRST  
RECEPTION



Emergency Reception  
Centers - CAS

Negative evaluation

Negative evaluation

SECOND RECEPTION

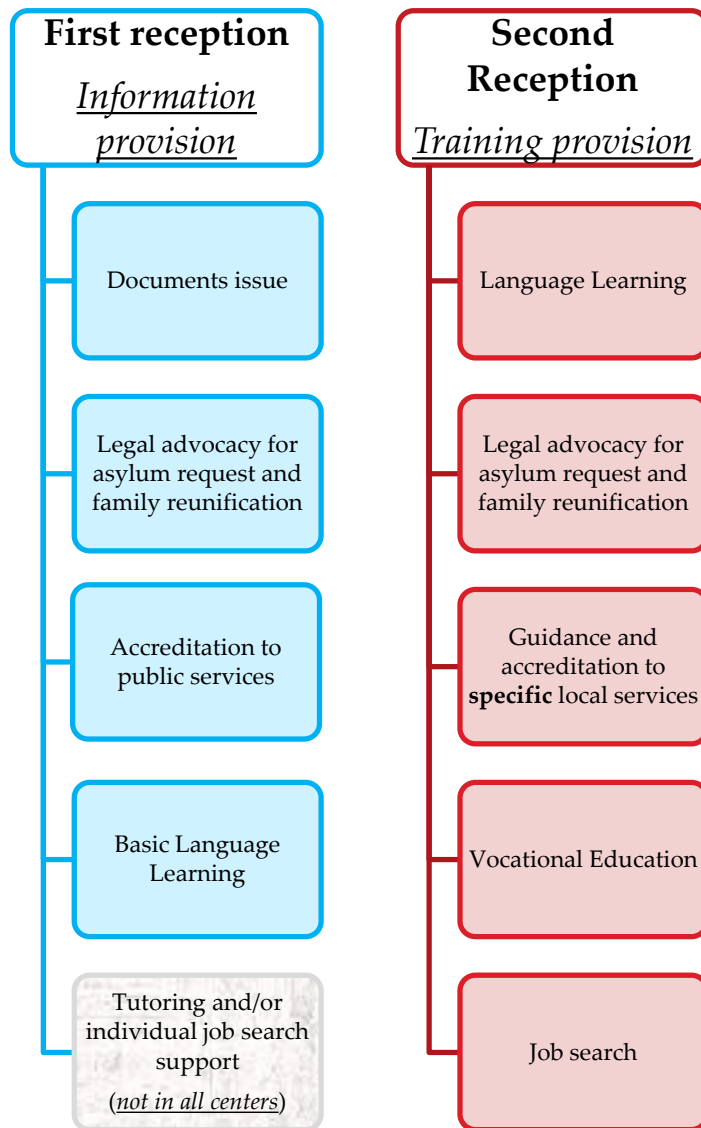


Positive evaluation



Protection System for Asylum Seekers  
and Refugees -SPRAR

# Information and integration training to BIP and asylum seekers provided by the Italian reception system



# After Decree-Law 113/2018 (Law n. 132 / 2018)

Main changes.....

# TYPES OF PERMISSION TO STAY GRANTED ON THE BASIS OF THE PROTECTION RECOGNIZED AND BENEFITS GRANTED

## Permission to Stay for POLITICAL ASYLUM

- Duration 5 years, renewable, this allows access to education and work, convertible into permissions to stay for work.
- Right to family reunion.
- Maintaining the family nucleus.
- Issue of travel document, deemed equivalent to a passport, 5-year validity, renewable.
- Access to employment at the same conditions as an Italian citizen.
- Right to the same treatment recognized for an Italian citizen with regard to social and health assistance and access to public housing.

## Permission to Stay for SUBSIDIARY PROTECTION

- Duration 5 years, renewable, this allows access to education and work, convertible into permissions to stay for work.
- Right to family reunion.
- Maintaining the family nucleus.
- Issue of travel document for foreigners in case of being unable to obtain a passport from consular offices.
- Access to employment at the same conditions as an Italian citizen.
- Right to the same treatment recognized for an Italian citizen with regard to social and health assistance and access to public housing.

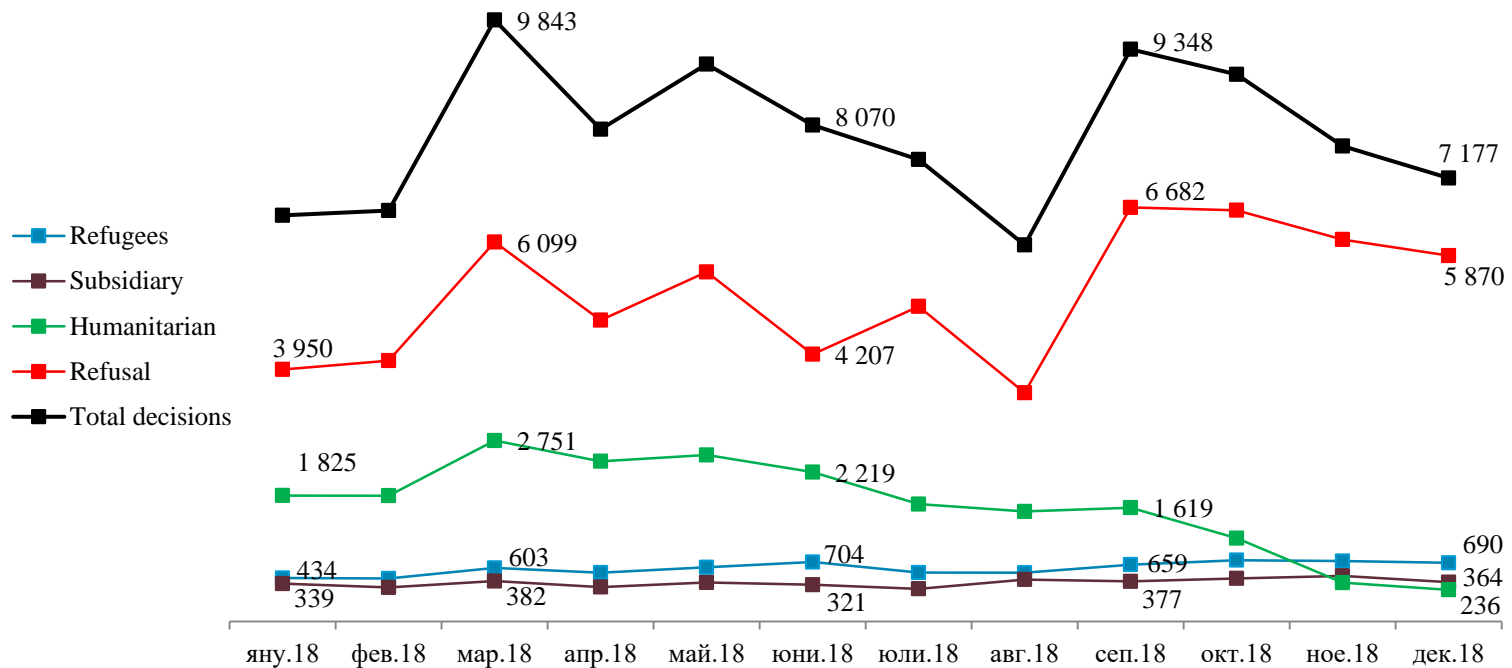
## Permission to Stay for HUMANITARIAN PROTECTION

- Duration 2 years, renewable, this allows access to education and work, convertible into permissions to stay for work.
- Right to family reunion in the presence of the requisites of housing and income set forth in Legislative Decree n. 286/1998.
- Maintaining the family nucleus.
- Right to the same treatment recognized for an Italian citizen with regard to social and health assistance and access to public housing.

International protection

# The impact of the humanitarian protection permits

## Monthly evolution of decisions about asylum requests, 2018 (a.v.)



Source: Ministry of Interior , National Commission for Asylum

## Instead of the humanitarian protection.....

.....it is **NOW** issued a **permit for special protection**, in case there is the risk of **persecution** or **torture**, instead of a more general permit for humanitarian reasons.

It is valid for 1 year, can be renewed in case the threat continues exist but cannot be converted into a work permit.

Other forms of permits that can requested outside the asylum procedure:

Permit for :

- ✓ medical care (validity maximum 1 year renewable)
- ✓ disaster (validity 6 months cannot be converted into a work permit)
- ✓ civil bravery (validity maximum 2 year renewable can be converted into a work permit)
- ✓ other special cases, (*already provided for in policy or judicial procedures*): social protection, domestic violence, labour exploitation



# SPRAR will change name....

**Si.pro.i.mi** *Sistema di protezione per titolari di protezione internazionale e per minori non accompagnati*

Protection System for beneficiaries of international protection  
and non accompanied minors

# SPRAR > SIPROIMI

**Asylum seekers are not included** , the new system aims only at:

- ✓ individuals who have been already granted the status of refugees or the subsidiary protection *or the new forms of protection by Decree-Law 113/2018*
- ✓ non accompanied minors

Asylum seekers will be remaining in a long first assistance, probably in facilities similar to the actual CAS

# Some figures about the Italian Protection System

According to the last SPRAR report in 2017 :

Asylum seekers were 36% of the about 37.000 beneficiaries

Among those who were granted some kind of protection:

36% was beneficiary of humanitarian protection

# Some estimates

About 13.000 beneficiaries of the humanitarian protection have to leave SPRAR, due to the abolition of this kind of protection

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Asylum seekers no more included in SPRAR

The number of the beneficiaries received by the new SPRAR will be reduced to 10.000

# The evolution of the Italian Protection System

Since 2014, due to the huge increase of migrants to the Italian shores many asylum seekers have been rerouted to CAS due:

- ✓ to the reduced dimension of SPRAR
- ✓ the presence of refugees and beneficiaries of subsidiary and humanitarian protection

*In 2018 about 80% of the individuals in the Italian protection System was housed within CAS*

# Change of direction

In 2017, the former government's watchword was:

*«More SPRAR less CAS!»*

with a gradual, steady growth of places within SPRAR

Now, an increase of first reception facilities similar to the actual CAS is likely to happen along with:

- ✓ Budget cutbacks (*from 35,00 € to 19,00-26,00 € per person*)
- ✓ Less human resources
- ✓ Less services for integration

**Thank you!**  
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