



EUROPEAN BORDER AND COAST GUARD AGENCY

THE RULES FOR TRAVELLING TO EUROPE ARE CHANGING

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ETIAS
European Travel Information
and Authorisation System

EUROPEAN BORDER MANAGEMENT



CHALLENGES:

- No reliable information on **who comes** to the Schengen area
- No reliable way to **identify overstayers**
- Result: **security gap**

SOLUTION - EES/ETIAS:

- Further **improve the security** of European citizens
- Will check documents, **identify fraud and overstayers**
- Will allow wider use of automated **border control checks** and **self-service systems**, which is **quicker and more comfortable** for the travellers

INTEROPERABILITY ARCHITECTURE

Existing systems

- Schengen Information System (SIS)
- Visa Information System (VIS)
- Eurodac
- Europol databases

New systems

- Entry/Exit System (EES)
- European Travel Information and Authorisation System (ETIAS)
- ECRIS-TCN

Challenges:

- Making these systems talk to each other
- Ensuring that there is only one profile per individual

EES AND ETIAS - LARGE SCALE EUROPEAN ICT SYSTEMS



Frontex' ETIAS Central Unit contributes to:

- Future borders and their management
- Interoperability
- Smart borders
- Support to air, sea, and land carriers on ETIAS and the EES
- Support to travellers with filling in the ETIAS application form
- Application verification from travellers
- Information on current trends and challenges affecting the Systems' operations

EES & ETIAS



Two new border management initiatives that will affect travel to Europe.
Both systems aim to facilitate legitimate travel to the EU in a secure and safe way



Registers non-EU travellers entering 29 European countries for a short stay

- Travellers' **biometrics** registered and verified
- **Replaces** physical stamping of passport
- **Automatically detects** overstayers
- Detects cases of multiple identities



New entry requirement for visa-free travellers to enter the 29 Schengen countries and Cyprus for a short stay

- ETIAS **travel authorisation** required to travel to 30 European countries
- **EUR 7 fee**
- Valid for **3 years** or until the passport expires

NEW TRAVEL PROCESS TO EUROPE

PRE-DEPARTURE

TRAVEL

STAY

Online ETIAS Application

01

Visa-free travellers apply **online** for an ETIAS travel authorisation (TA).

Payment

02

Payment of **€7** for applicants
Revenues from the fee go to the EU budget.

Processing

03

Automated check of application against databases & screening rules.
Further manual processing in case of confirmed hit.

Response to Applicants

04

Authorisation **or** refusal.
Communication via email.
Right to appeal.

Carriers

05

Air, land and sea carriers verify that travellers have a valid TA or short-term visa prior to boarding.

At the border

06

(First time registration)
Verification of travel document (**passport**) and **visa or ETIAS authorisation**.
Biometrics verification.

Possibility of pre-registration for first time travellers



CHANGES AFFECTING TRAVELLERS



BEFORE TRAVEL

- **ETIAS** - Travellers must obtain their travel authorisation **before starting the trip**
- **EES** - **No prior action required** from travellers before they start their trip
- **ETIAS/EES** - Status can be checked online

AT THE BORDER



- **ETIAS** - **No fallback option: no ETIAS = no entry**
- **EES** - Collects travellers' **biometric and biographical data, date and place of entry/exit**
- **EES** - **Replaces manual stamping** of passports
- **EES** - **Registration** at **first** crossing. **Verification** at **all subsequent** crossings

SUPPORT

- **ETIAS** - Support on how to apply



CHANGES FOR CARRIERS



- **Obligation for carriers to verify** within 48h prior to departure that a passenger has a valid ETIAS or a short stay visa
- Electronic verification through a **carrier interface** (CI). Carriers will need to **register** to use it.
- Response from the gateway: **OK** / **NOT OK** / **NOT APPLICABLE** (no further handling codes)
- **Support 24/7** for technical and operational issues (via online ticketing system and if this unavailable via a phone line)



ETIAS IS NOT A VISA

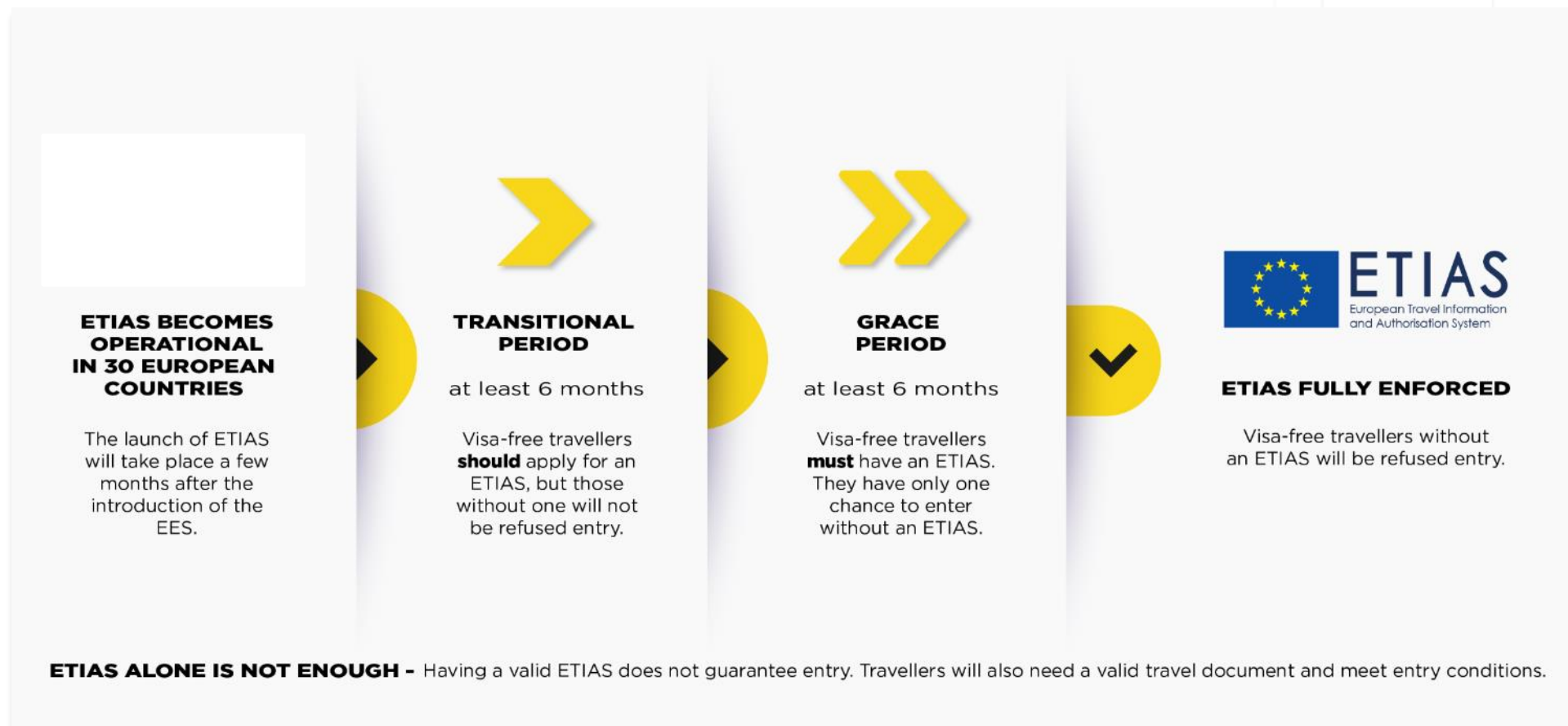
ETIAS = **travel authorisation** for visa-exempt travellers to enter **30 European countries**

- Only for **short stays** (90 days in 180 day period)
- Similar travel authorisations required by US, Canada, Australia.

Through pre-screening ETIAS:

- will **facilitate** border crossings of travellers
- **detect** those who could pose a risk

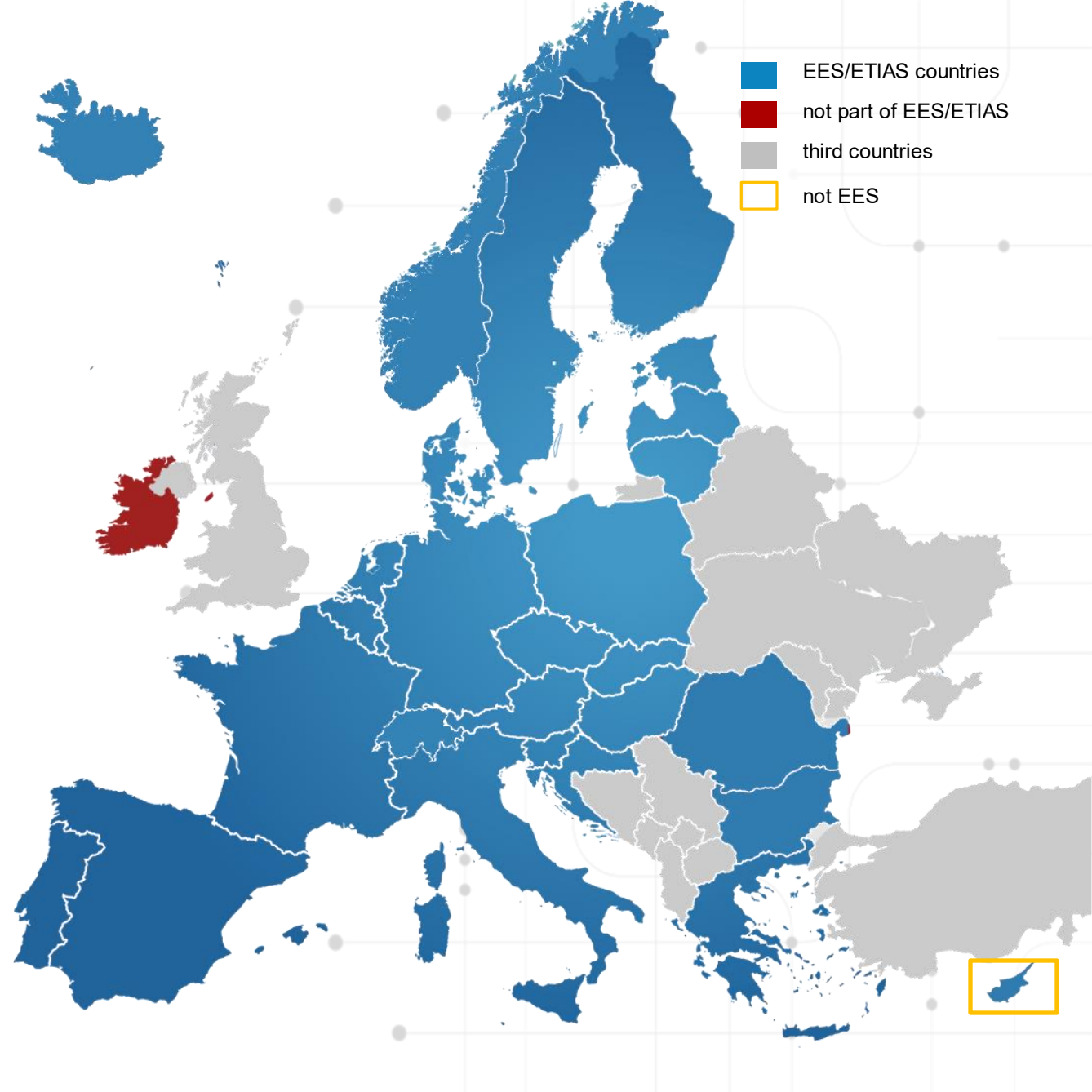
ETIAS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED IN STAGES



EES & ETIAS

REQUIRING COUNTRIES

	Austria		Latvia
	Belgium		Liechtenstein
	Bulgaria		Lithuania
	Croatia		Luxembourg
	Cyprus		Malta
	Czech Republic		Netherlands
	Denmark		Norway
	Estonia		Poland
	Finland		Portugal
	France		Romania
	Germany		Slovakia
	Greece		Slovenia
	Hungary		Spain
	Iceland		Sweden
	Italy		Switzerland



ETIAS

REQUIRED COUNTRIES

	Albania		Mauritius		Timor-Leste
	Antigua and Barbuda		Mexico		Tonga
	Argentina		Micronesia		Trinidad and Tobago
	Australia		Moldova		Tuvalu
	Bahamas		Montenegro		Ukraine
	Barbados		New Zealand		United Arab Emirates
	Bosnia and Herzegovina		Nicaragua		United Kingdom
	Brazil		North Macedonia		United States of America
	Brunei		Palau		Uruguay
	Canada		Panama		Venezuela
	Chile		Paraguay		
	Colombia		Peru		
	Costa Rica		Saint Kitts and Nevis		
	Dominica		Saint Lucia		
	El Salvador		Saint Vincent and the Grenadines		
	Georgia		Samoa		
	Grenada		Serbia		
	Guatemala		Seychelles		
	Honduras		Singapore		
	Hong Kong		Solomon Islands		
	Israel		South Korea		
	Japan		Taiwan		
	Kiribati				
	Kosovo				
	Macao				
	Malaysia				
	Marshall Islands				





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ETIAS CENTRAL UNIT

The ETIAS Central Unit is established within Frontex and it will review and verify applications that need a manual check, and provide support for carriers and travellers.

Operational 24 hours a day / 7 days a week

BEWARE OF UNOFFICIAL ETIAS WEBSITES



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FAKE & UNOFFICIAL ETIAS WEBSITES ALREADY OPERATING
POTENTIAL ABUSE & CONTRIBUTE TO MISINFORMATION



FINANCIAL



IT VULNERABILITIES



DOCUMENT FORGERY



DISINFORMATION

THERE IS ONLY ONE OFFICIAL ETIAS WEBSITE:

EUROPA.EU/ETIAS





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Thank you

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