

SESSION TEMPLATE

Basic Training for European Border and Coast Guard Standing Corps (Category 1)

Module: MODULE 4: Border checks and return Chapter: BC&R 11 2.7 Return	
Session: BC&R 11/1 Introduction to return: return process, legal framework	
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Introduction to return (practice)	
Session 4: Introduction to Return: Return process, Legal Framework	
Session Aim: Clarify the case study and the group assignment, and facilitate groups to come up with findings on the case study.	
Chapter/Subject	Learning outcomes
2.7.1.	LO3: Summarise the process of return
2.7.1.	LO4: Describe the safeguards that need to be in place during the entire return process, with focus on vulnerable groups when relevant, as well as the principles that ensure safe, dignified and humane return, including the respect of the principles of <i>non-refoulement</i> and non-discrimination
Training environment and facilities Contact classroom for 20 learners. At the beginning of the session the learners are sat in an U-shape. There should be one large space in order to create the possibility to split the group into 3 smaller table groups to allow for comfortable and independent group work and scenario-based learning.	
Training equipment Laptop or tablet, beamer, Flipchart/Whiteboard, markers	
Planned max. number of learners 20 learners	Planned min. number of trainers and their specific expertise 1 (expertise in pre-return matters)
Trainer needs PowerPoint presentation, paper, projector, paper WiFi, Flipchart/Whiteboard, markers, topic cards	
Learner needs notebook or paper, pen/pencil; optional: WiFi, digital device (laptop, mobile, tablet)	
Duration of the session 1 x 45 min.	
Description of learning activities and the time for each activity - Introduction to the practical exercise - '15 Trainer explains the objective of the session, tasks and gives a short description of the scenarios and the work methodology.	

Class is divided into 3 groups (A, B, C) of 6-7 learners each.
Each group is given a separate scenario and the package of relevant key reading materials.
Each group is requested to nominate a group spokespersons to present the results and overall findings.

Case scenario for group A:

- A TCN apprehended by Croatian border guards (HRV) after illegally crossing the border coming directly from the territory of Bosnia and Herzegovina (BIH).

Case scenario for group B:

- A TCN apprehended in Hungary (HUN) and subject to a return decision. A TCN claims to be from Ukraine (UKR)

Case scenario for group C:

- A TCN from Albania (ALB) was apprehended in The Hague, The Netherlands (NLD) based on suspicion of being involved in cigarette smuggling.

The task is to:

1. To describe the procedure to be followed by filling in the blank spaces in the sentence with a missing word or words;
2. To list at least 3 legal acts relevant for the case;
3. To list at least 5 fundamental rights and procedural safeguards to be observed in the particular case;
4. To list at least 2 main roles of designated stakeholder (each group has a different one);
5. To designate at least one message to take away from the exercise

Trainees are given 30 minutes to for group preparations.

- Group work - '30

Learners actively participate in group work based on the presentation of a task.

Learner Support and Feedback to learners

Opportunity for individual questions during the group work exercise.

Trainer facilitate and guide the work of each group to come up with findings.

Learning materials

Individual case scenarios (1-3).

Essential:

- Directive 2008/115/EC (Return Directive)
- Return Handbook (Commission Recommendation, 27.09.2017)
- Regulation 2019/1896 (EBCGA 2.0)
- Excerpts from Readmission Agreement (EURA and bilateral)
- Excerpts from the relevant national law regulating entry, stay and residence of foreigners
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Recommended:

- European Convention on Human Rights, 1953
- Vienna Convention on Consular Relations, 1963
- ACCESS TO THE ASYLUM PROCEDURE, Practical Tools for First-Contact Officials, 2017
- CHARTER OF FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS OF THE EUROPEAN UNION, 2000
- ICMPD/Frontex Forced Return monitoring Background Reader, 2018
- COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMISSION TO THE COUNCIL AND THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT on EU Return Policy (COM(2014) 199 final)

- Code of Conduct for Return Operations and Return Interventions coordinated or organised by Frontex
- EU Framework on Return Counselling (EMN-REG, upcoming)
- IOM Reintegration Handbook

Note:

Separate case scenarios as described above to be printed out and handed to each group.

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