

Launch event:

“Beyond walls and fences: EU funding used for a complex and digitalised border surveillance system

Study on the use of the Border Management and Visa Instrument during the 2021 – 2027 Multiannual Financial Framework”

Mundo Madou, Avenue des Arts 7/8, Artemisia room

4 July 2024 | 12:00 – 13:30

The study “Beyond walls and fences: EU funding used for a complex and digitalised border surveillance system” analyses the use of the Border Management and Visa Instrument (BMVI) by the EU Member States. It is based on the analysis of 24 national programmes and other publicly available sources. It aims to contribute to the mid-term review process by critically analysing the programming and implementation of the BMVI in EU Member States.

The study:

- Assesses the available BMVI resources and provides an overview of various areas of spending, including comparisons with the previous Multiannual Financial Framework.
- Analysis the most frequent categories of spending or underspending, including by highlighting any potential misuses or risks in programme activities.
- Evaluates existing safeguards, particularly in relation to fundamental rights, and provides recommendations to the Member States and the European Commission.

The study will be published on ECRE and PICUM websites on the day of the event.

Agenda:

12:00	Registration and light lunch
12:30	<p><i>“Beyond walls and fences: EU funding used for a complex and digitalised border surveillance system”</i></p> <p><i>Presentation of the study by Chiara Catelli, Policy Officer at ECRE and PICUM</i></p> <p><i>Input by András Léderer, Head of Advocacy at Hungarian Helsinki Committee</i></p> <p>Q&A</p> <p><i>Moderator: Michele Levoy, Director at PICUM</i></p>
13:30	Conclusion and coffee