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The recast Qualification Directive outlines the content of international protection, and its provisions shape the integration of beneficiaries of international protection, including standards on residence permits, employment, education, social welfare and health care. Relevant articles of the directive also outline the criteria for the cessation and revocation of international protection status.

Developments in legislation, policy and practice on the content of protection were diverse across EU+ countries in 2019, and thus, general trends continued to be difficult to identify. Initiatives were typically tailored to the overall characteristics of migration in a particular country and to the specific profiles of beneficiaries within those countries. Many major developments throughout the year were related to national integration strategies in general and to the review, cessation and revocation of the protection status.

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