



A new, up-to-standard reception centre on the island of Lesbos



The European Commission together with the Greek authorities and EU Agencies including EASO, agreed to a detailed plan in December 2020 which will establish a new, up-to-standard reception centre on the island of Lesbos by early September 2021.

This is a key step towards resolving the situation after the fires that destroyed the Moria camp in September 2020. The memorandum signed sets out the respective responsibilities and areas of cooperation between the Commission, the Greek authorities and EU agencies.

According to Ms Nina Gregori, EASO Executive Director, "this Memorandum of Understanding marks an important step forward in building a robust template for reception centres in Europe. The Lesbos pilot demonstrates the EU's tangible support for Greece, as well as its commitment to ensuring dignified and safe living conditions for asylum seekers. EASO's dedicated experts are already on the ground working with our Task Force partners to ensure that the new reception facilities will meet the EU's standards. "

More information can be found in the Press Release [here](#).

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