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The EUAA Regulation includes an enhanced mandate which calls the Agency to work closely with Member States to monitor how the legal obligations of the EU asylum *aquis* are applied in practice; assess Member States' capacity to manage pressure; prevent shortcomings; identify existing limitations; and assist Member States to address them.

In 2023, the Agency's work in this area focused on developing a methodology for monitoring in view of the gradual roll-out of the monitoring mechanism. A Monitoring Advisory Group, which includes Member States, the European Commission and UNHCR, was created to facilitate exchanges on technical aspects of the mechanism. In addition, the Agency held consultations with external stakeholders with relevant expertise, such as Frontex, FRA, EIGE and the Council of Europe. The methodology will be further finetuned and pilot exercises are expected to take place in 2024.