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Time for Needs: Listening, Healing, Protecting

Priority areas for cooperation among Member States: sharing the lessons learned

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OBJECTIVE

To promote common protection standards and practices across the European Union for survivors of torture and/or serious violence regarding special procedural guarantees and special reception conditions





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STARTING POINT

- Varying methodologies and existing gaps in identification of special needs of survivors of torture and/or serious violence across participating Member States (as per national researches)
- Level of provision of special procedural guarantees and/or special reception conditions varies widely across participating Member States (as per the national researches)
- EASO tool on indications for survivors of torture and/or serious violence
- A privileged insight into the SUBSTANCE of special needs and adequate protection standards from the perspective of national stakeholders, including from national asylum authorities, reception service providers and the final beneficiaries themselves (as per national researches)
- Collection of national good practices as an inspirational background for setting high protection standards for survivors of torture and/or serious violence in the asylum procedure and in reception conditions





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OUTPUT – COMMON BASIC STANDARDS (CBS)

To create an operational resource to support the consistency and adequacy of the intervention of professionals across the Member States in providing for the special needs of survivors in different contexts and work conditions





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SPECIAL PROCEDURAL NEEDS

- **Information**
 - Asylum procedure
 - Roles of stakeholders
- **Interview**
 - Preparation
 - Conditions
- **Medical Certification**





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SPECIAL RECEPTION NEEDS

- Information
- Multidisciplinary approach
- Security and privacy
- Appropriate accommodation for families





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SPECIAL MEDICAL HEALTH NEEDS

- Specialised treatment
- Gender of the physician

SPECIAL PSYCHOLOGICAL HEALTH NEEDS

- Specialised psychological assistance
- Continued treatment





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SPECIAL SOCIAL NEEDS

- **Integration**
 - Local community
 - Tailored made development opportunities





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CROSS-CUTTING COMMON BASIC STANDARDS

- Specialised training for professionals involved
- Access to interpreters and cultural mediators
- Psychological supervision of the carers

