

# eu-LISA Industry Roundtable ETIAS Central Unit

EES & ETIAS seen from the perspective of Frontex

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# Main Topics

- The role of FRONTEX
- EES and ETIAS in a nutshell
- ETIAS Central Unit's role in the implementation of EES and ETIAS
- ETIAS Central Unit's tasks related to ETIAS
- ETIAS application process
- Carriers' registration and traveller verification
- How is the ETIAS Central Unit getting reedy
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# The role of FRONTEX

- FRONTEX implements Entry/Exit System (EES) and the European Travel Information and Authorization System (ETIAS)
- FRONTEX's role in EES - Regulation (EU) 2021/1224 (*EES operation for carrier interface*)
- Frontex role in ETIAS - Regulation (EU) 2018/1240 (*establishment and operation of an ETIAS Central Unit*)



# EES and ETIAS in a nutshell

## EES is a system which will:

- register entries and exits of all non-EU nationals;
- replace stamps with electronic registration;
- systematically identify over-stayers

## ETIAS is a system which will:

- require visa-exempt travellers to applying for the ETIAS authorization;
- issue an authorization for travellers who aim to enter ETIAS requiring countries;
- be based on biographical information and questionnaire only (no biometrics collected)

# ETIAS Central Unit's role in the implementation of EES and ETIAS

## EES - Entry into Operation mid May 2023

When EES enters into operations, ECU's task will be to:

- provide assistance to carriers



## ETIAS - Entry into Operation mid November 2023

When ETIAS enters into operations, ECU's task will be to:

- facilitate the application process, when needed
- support carriers and travellers



# ETIAS Central Unit's main tasks



Verifying the hits between the application form of the travellers and databases connected to ETIAS and screening rules.



Indicating the responsible Member State for manual processing of applications.



Ensuring that verifications are performed.



Managing risk indicators and screening rules.



Facilitating consultations between Member States when necessary.



Notifying carriers in cases of failure of ETIAS Information System.

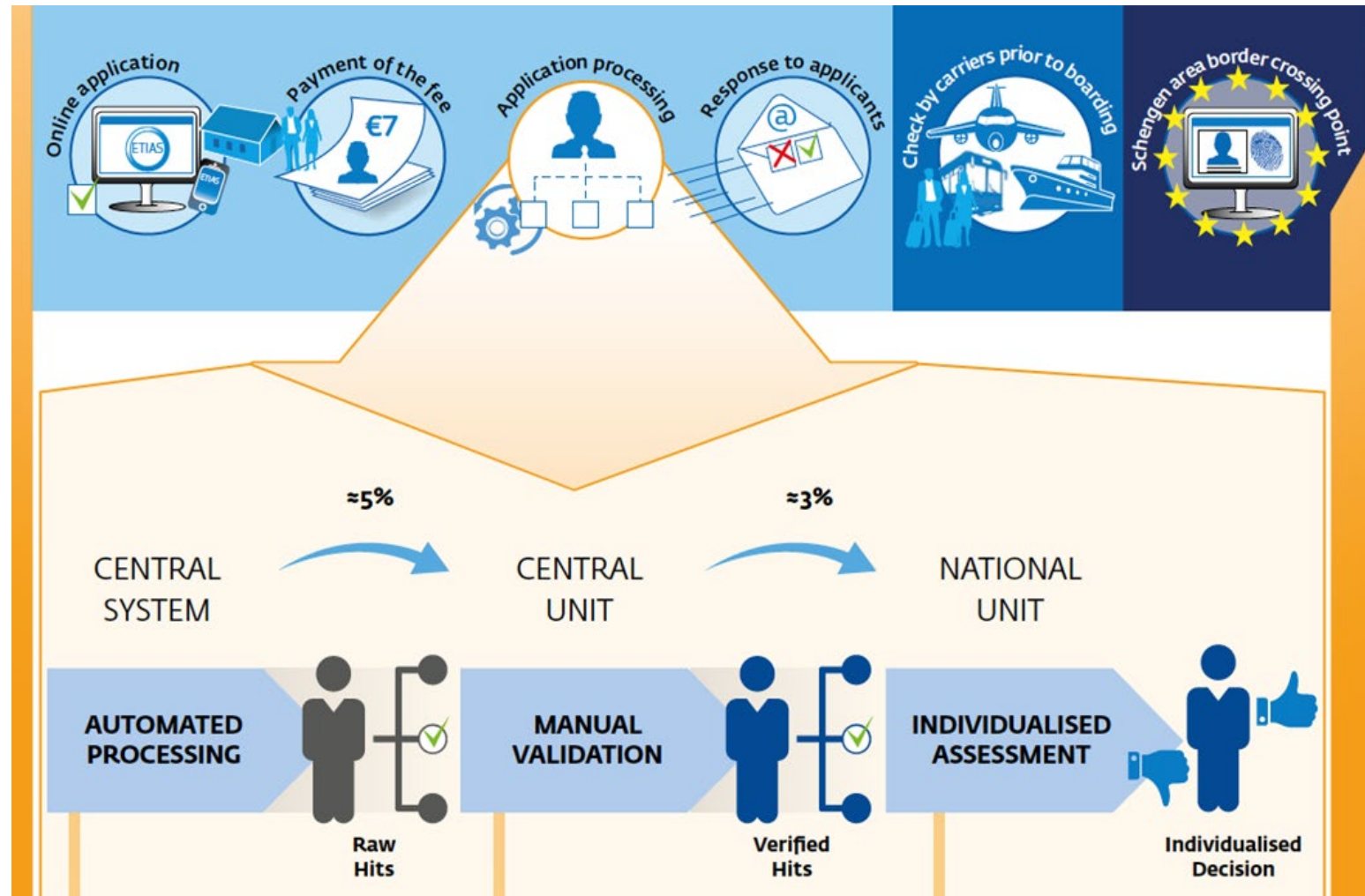


Providing support to carriers through a ticketing tool and an Emergency Phone Line, 24/7, in English.



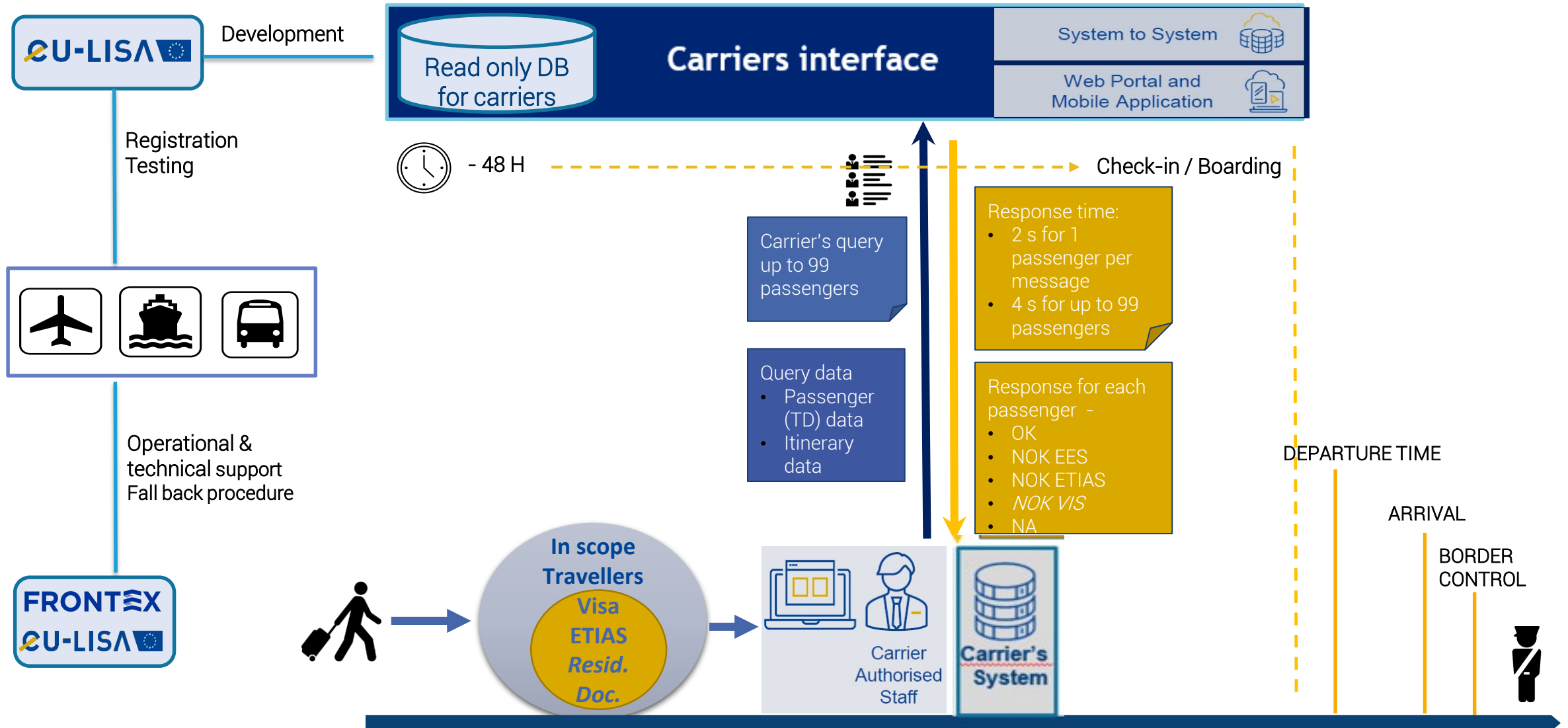
Providing support to travelers during their application.

# ETIAS application process





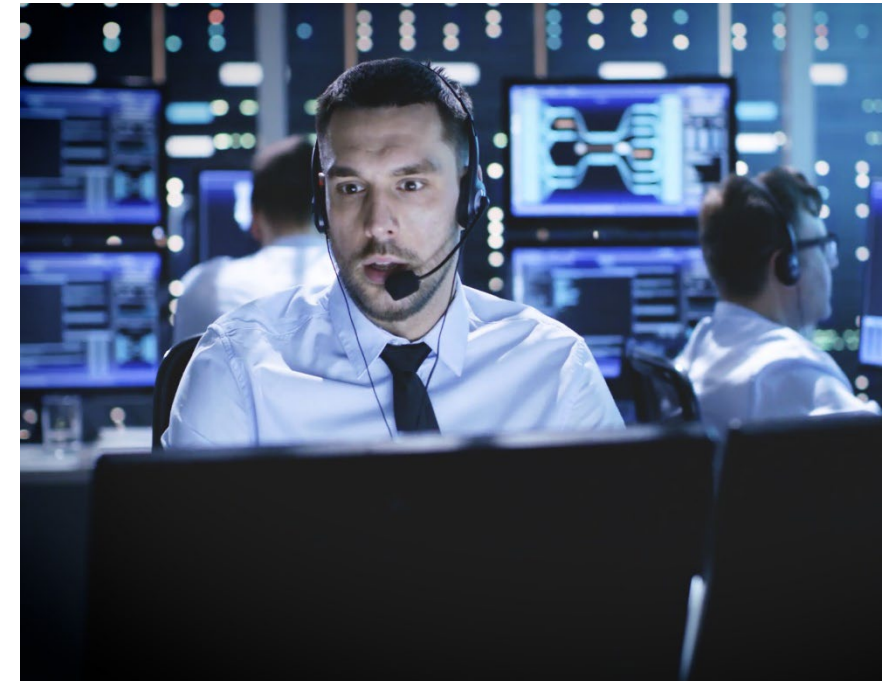
# Carriers' registration and traveller verification





# How is the ECU getting ready

- Recruitment of the necessary staff
- Onboarding and training of new staff
- Preparing for 24/7 shifts
- Setting up the operational processes and procedures
- Support MS with their national implantation of the ENU
- Participate in relevant working groups and meetings



# Way forward

- Prepare for the test of the different tools
- Rehearse the operational procedures
- The Assistance Centre Unit will:
  - support carriers starting from the entry into operations of the EES
  - provide support to travellers from the entry into operations of ETIAS

Thank you for your attention!

Any Questions?

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