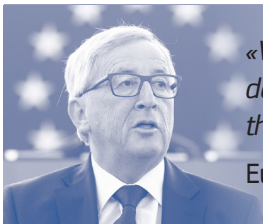




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# ETIAS - The European Travel Information and Authorisation System

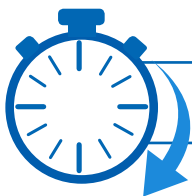


«We need to know who is crossing our borders. By November, we will propose an automated system to determine who will be allowed to travel to Europe. This way we will know who is travelling to Europe before they even get here.»

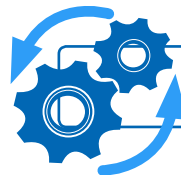
European Commission **President Jean-Claude Juncker**, State of the Union Address, 14 September 2016

The Commission is proposing the establishment of a European Travel Information and Authorisation System (ETIAS) to strengthen security of travel to the Schengen area under visa-free agreements. This follows the announcement in September by President Juncker in his 2016 State of the Union address, and is a first deliverable of the priorities for action identified in the Bratislava Roadmap. The ETIAS will gather information on all travellers who are travelling visa free to Europe and ensure that possible security concerns are identified prior to travelling to the Schengen area, contributing to a more efficient management of the EU's external borders and improving internal security and the security of EU citizens.

## THE TRAVEL AUTHORISATION SYSTEM WILL :



Save travellers time & hassle



Improve border management



Complement our visa liberalisation policy



Prevent irregular migration

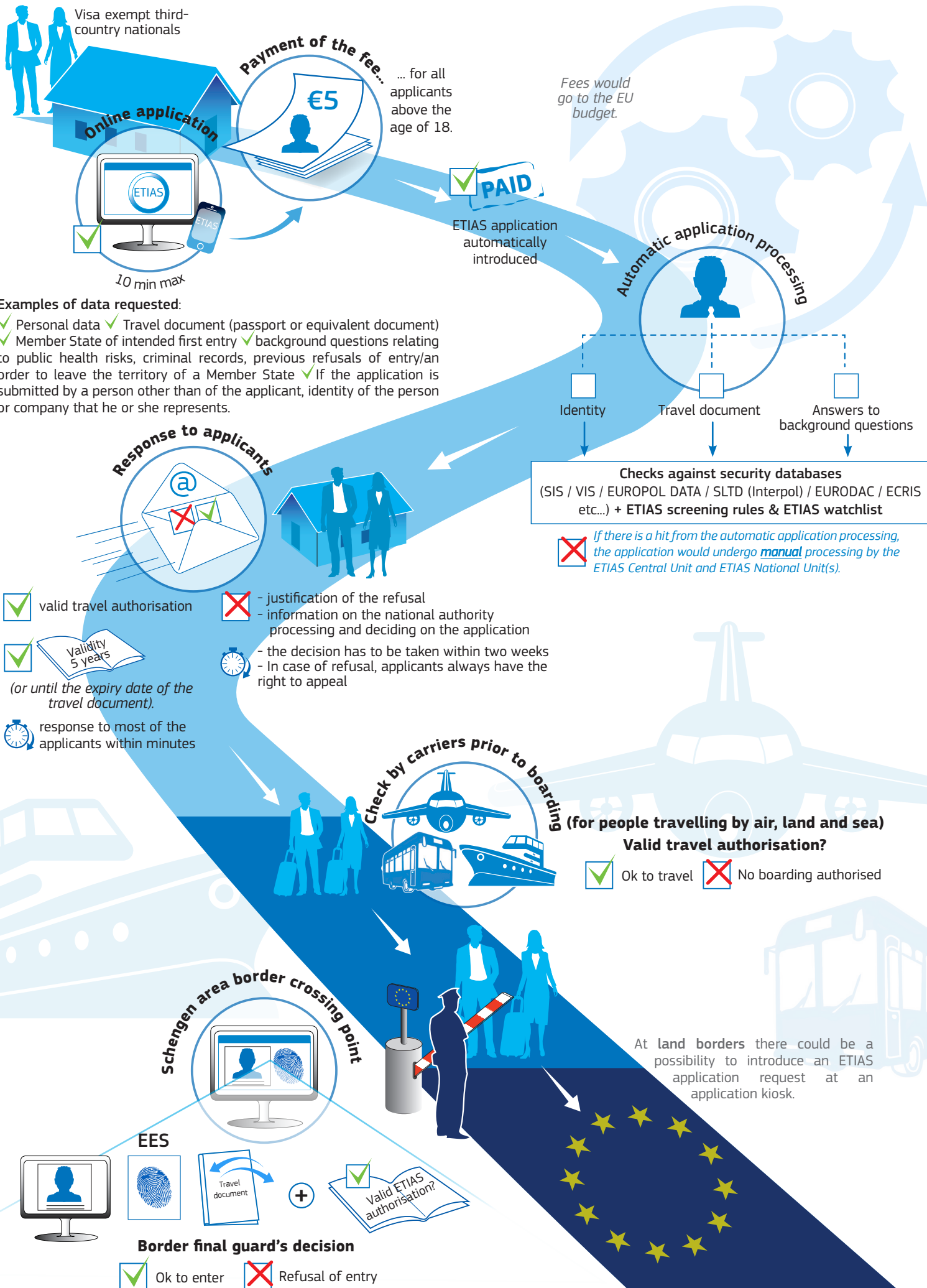


Reinforce the fight against crime & terrorism

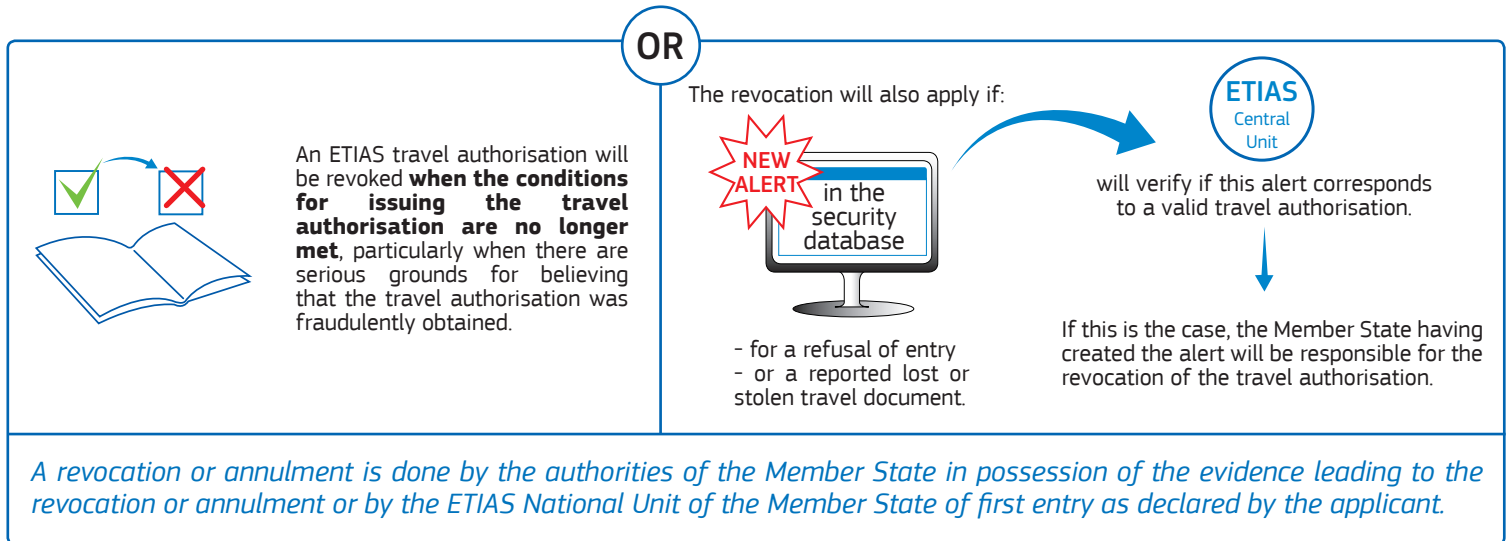


**ETIAS will apply to visa-free non-EU citizens**

# HOW WILL THE ETIAS SYSTEM WORK?



# REVOCATION OR ANNULMENT OF ETIAS TRAVEL AUTHORISATION



## ETIAS STRUCTURE:

### ETIAS Central Unit

Ensures that data stored in application files and personal data recorded in the ETIAS system are correct and up to date and, where necessary, verifies applications for travel authorisation to remove any ambiguity about the identity of an applicant in cases of a hit obtained during the automated process.

It will also define, evaluate, test and review specific risk indicators of the ETIAS screening rules after consultation of the ETIAS Screening Board and carry out regular audits on the management of applications and the implementation of the ETIAS screening rules, particularly as regards their impact on fundamental rights and especially with regards to privacy and data protection.

### ETIAS National Units

Responsible for carrying out the assessment and decisions on travel authorisation applications referred to them from the automatic process, as well as for issuing opinions when consulted on applications by other Member States' ETIAS National Units.

### Europol

will establish and manage the ETIAS watchlist and will be consulted by ETIAS National Units in the follow up to a hit with Europol data during the ETIAS automated processing.

### eu-LISA

will be responsible for developing and operating the ETIAS information system.

### ETIAS Screening Board

Advisory body composed of representatives from each ETIAS National Unit and Europol.

Will be consulted for the definition, evaluation and revision of the risk indicators as well as for the implementation of the ETIAS watchlist.

### European Border and Coast Guard Agency

Mandate to ensure the creation and management of an ETIAS Central Unit.