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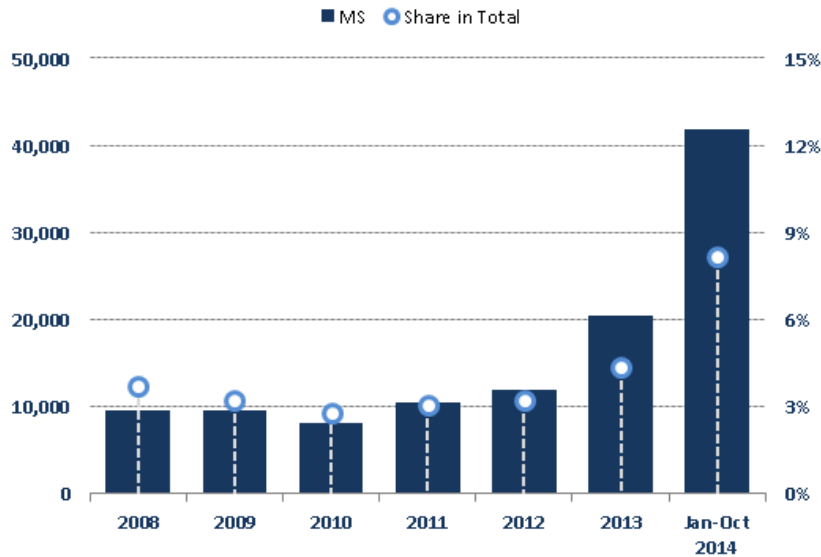
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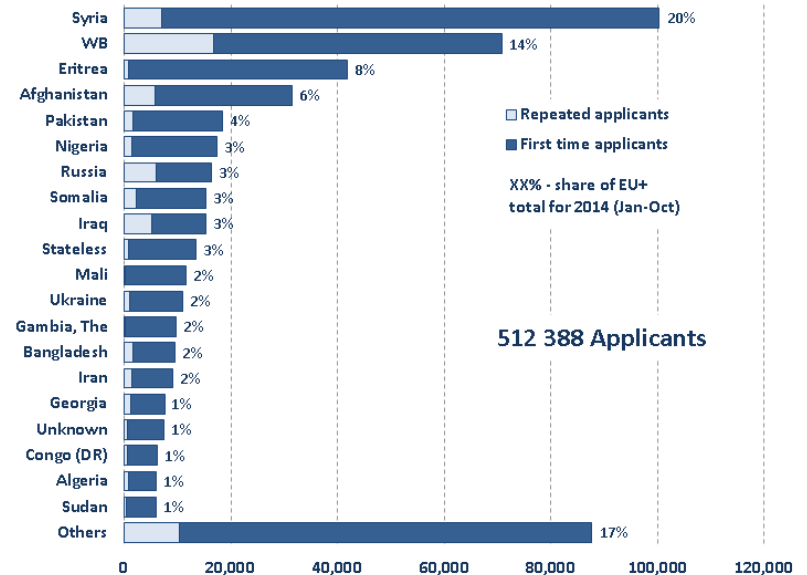
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# Eritrean applicants for international protection in EU+

## Annual trend and share since 2008

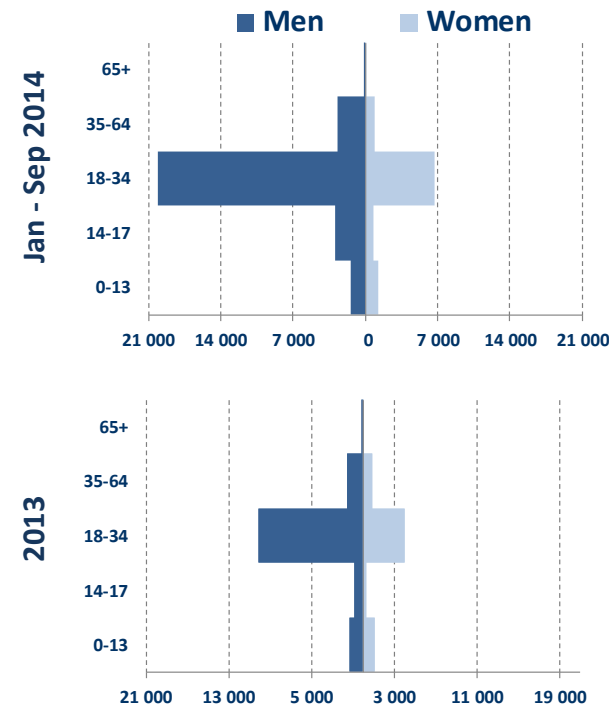
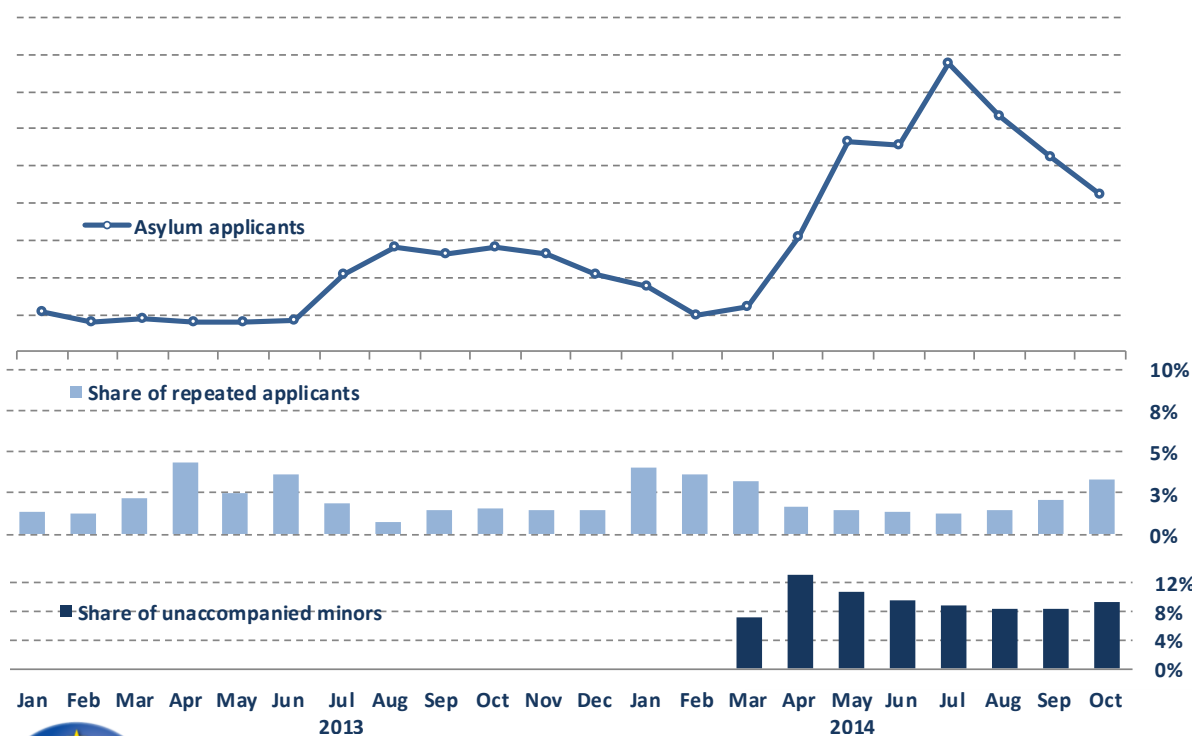


## EU+ applicants – main citizenships, Jan-Oct 2014



# Eritrean applicants for international protection in EU+

Jan 2013 – October 2014: Monthly trend and main profile characteristics

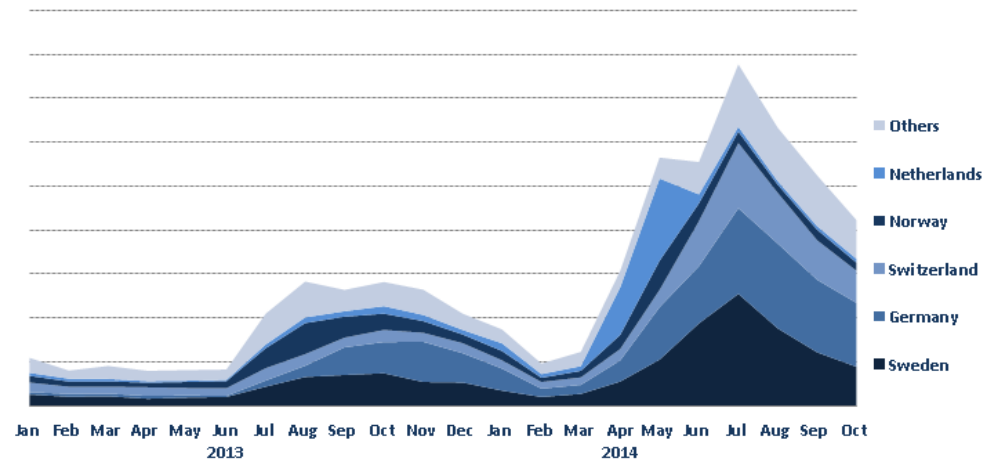
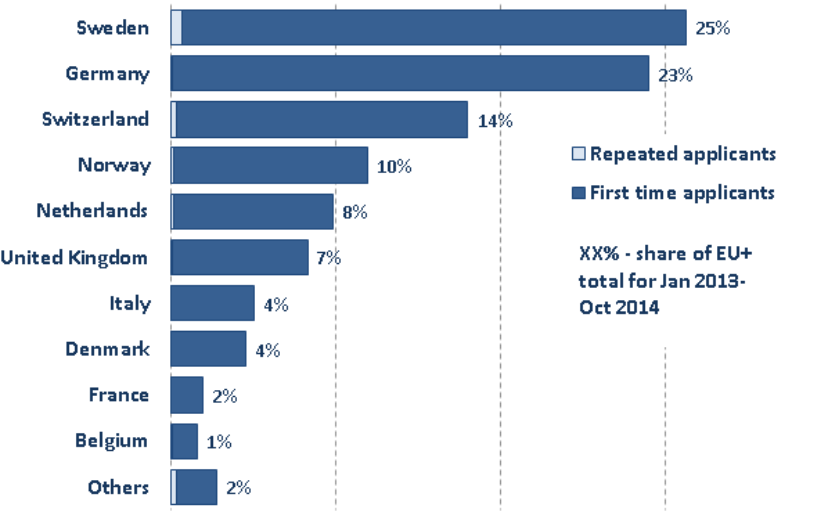


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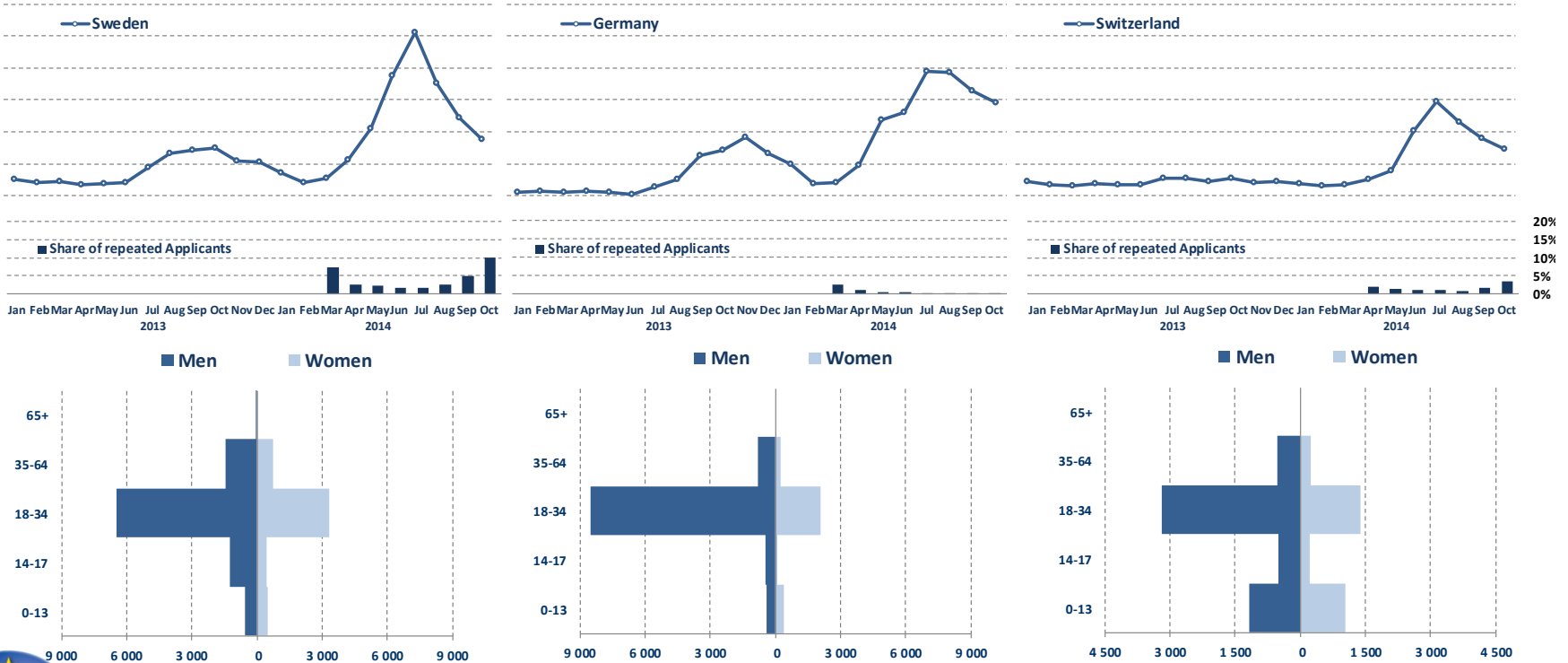
# Main Receiving Countries of Eritrean Applicants for International Protection

January 2013 – October 2014: Ranking and Monthly Trend



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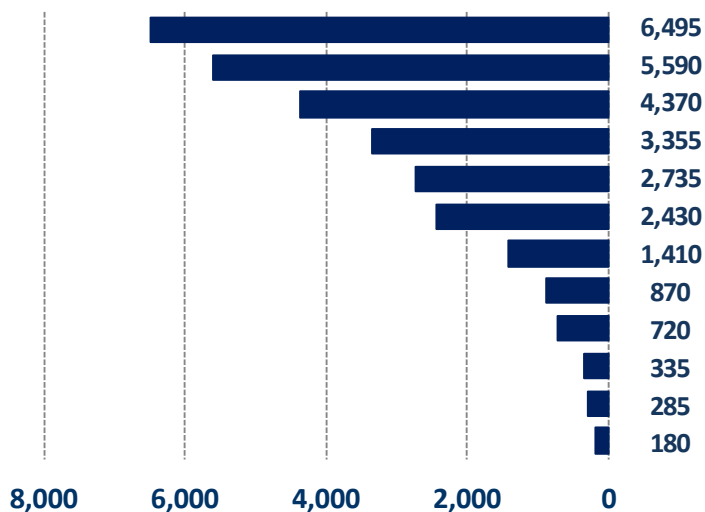
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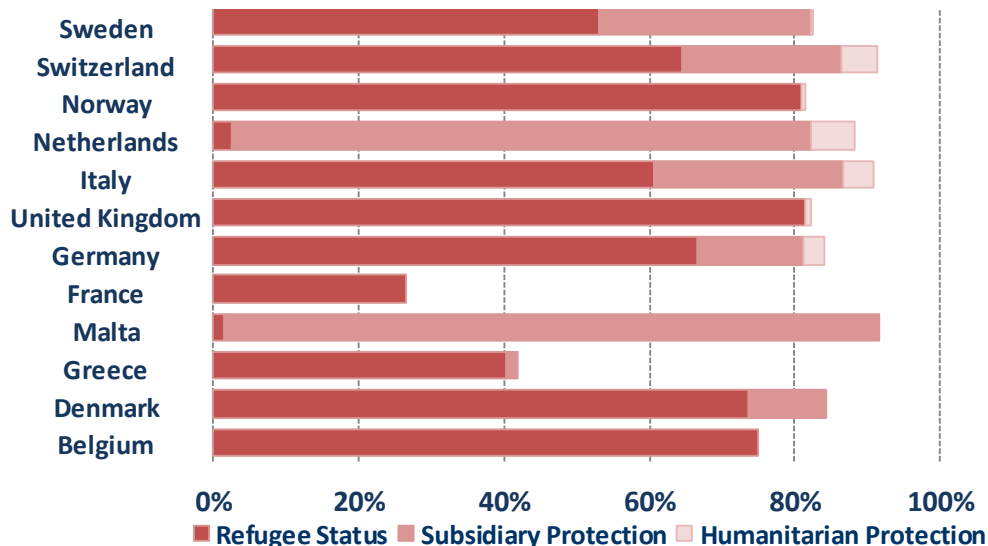
# First instance decisions and type of decisions issued in the EU+

January 2013 – September 2014

### Total decisions

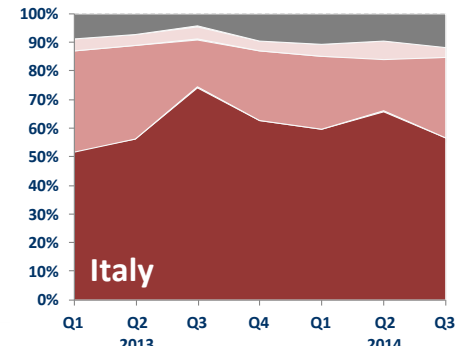
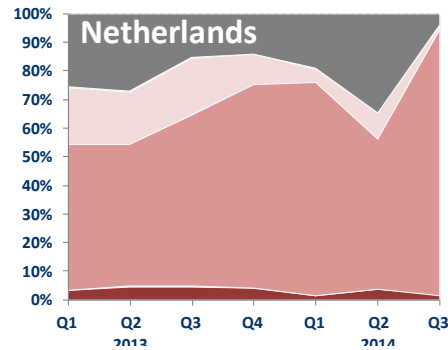
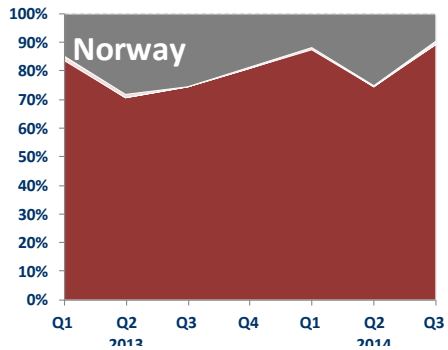
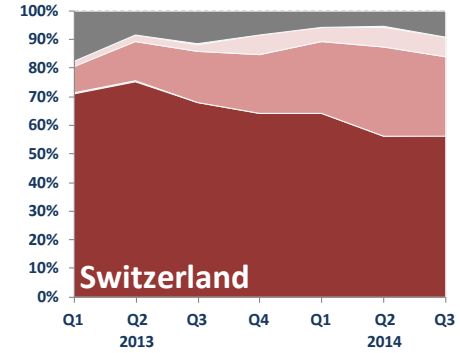
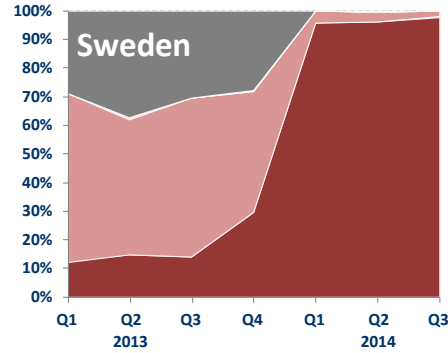
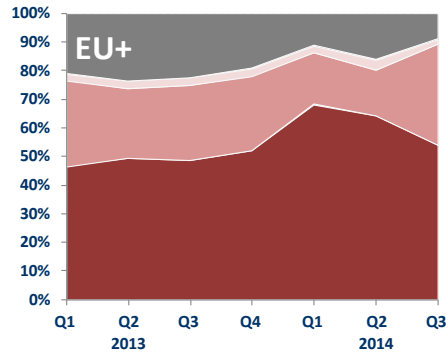


### Type of protection granted



# Type of decisions issued in the EU+

## Q1 2013 – Q3 2014, evolution in EU+ and 5 Countries

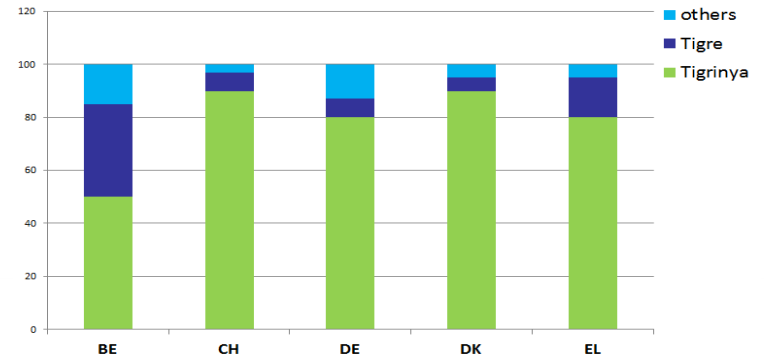
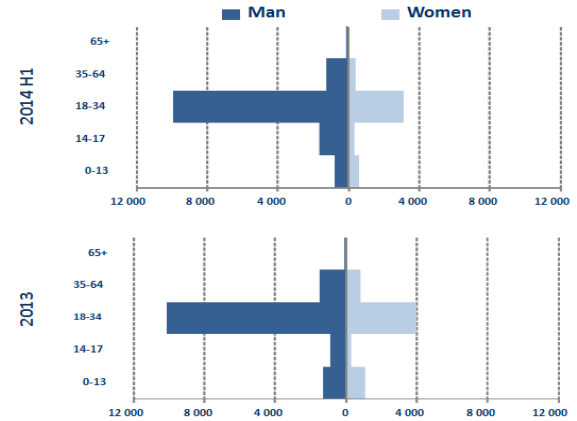


Rejected
  Humanitarian protection
  Subsidiary protection
  Refugee status



# Main Profiles of Eritrean Applicants

- Majority single young men
- 18-34 years old
- Mostly Christian (some Muslims)
- Majority Tigrinya ethnic group (but also Tigre)
- There is a considerable number of Eritrean UAMs.



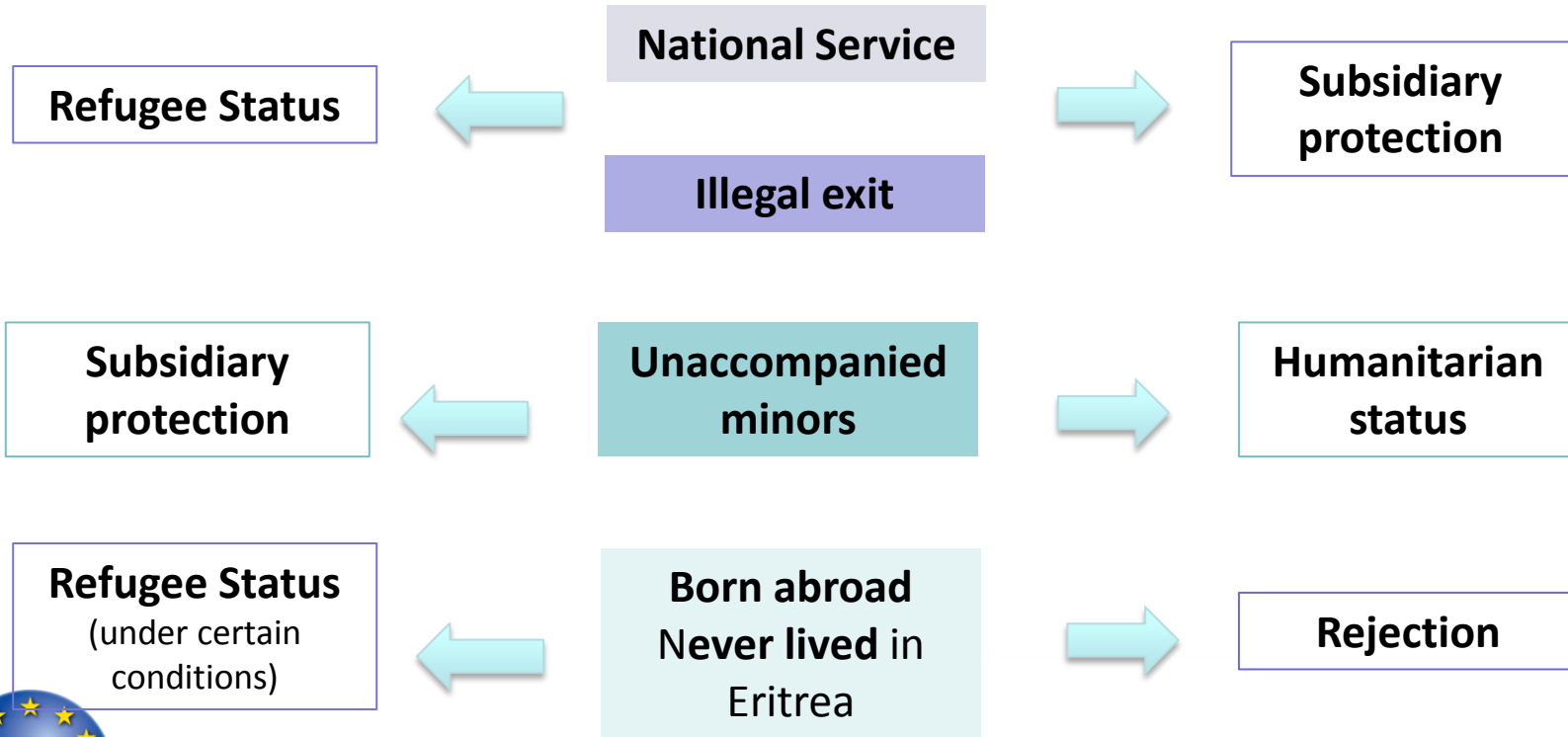


## Recurrent Grounds

- Open-ended Eritrean National Service (deserters, draft evaders, family members of...)
- Illegal exit
- Religious persecution (Jehovah's witnesses, pentecostals, etc.)
- Eritreans born in Ethiopia or Sudan and never lived in Eritrea



# Diverging Decision Practices



# Challenges

- Role of facilitators, resulting in sudden shifts in destination countries
- Reception capacity
- Lack of interpreters
- International Protection Determination: Credibility issues related to origin (nationality fraud) and illegal exit
- Unaccompanied minors
- COI



# EASO activities relating to Eritrea

- Practical Cooperation Workshop 15-16 October 2014
- COI Specialist Network on Eritrea: kick-off January 2015
- EASO COI factsheet on Eritrea: early 2015 (TBC)





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# Thank you

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