

UK Government extends support for UK nationals who need assistance when applying for residency in Poland

- the UK Government has extended its funding for International Organisation for Migration (IOM) Poland's support for UK nationals with their residency applications in Poland
- this is a part of an additional £1 million of funding for charities and voluntary organisations across Europe to support vulnerable UK nationals applying for residency, bringing the total to £4 million
- in Poland, IOM have provided UK nationals with advice and support in taking the action required of them by the Polish government on securing the correct residence documentation
- since March 2020, eight organisations have reached 350,000 vulnerable individuals using the UK Nationals Support Fund

The UK Government is extending support for potentially at-risk groups including pensioners, disabled people and those with language difficulties who live in Europe by continuing the activity of the UK Nationals Support Fund (UKNSF) and supplementing it with an additional £1 million.

IOM (International Organisation for Migration) in Poland gives practical advice to UK nationals and their family members on their residency applications and it offers detailed guidance on residency requirements and procedures.

The UKNSF provides funds to eight organisations to support UK nationals who may need additional assistance with their residency applications.

These organisations operate in 11 EU Member States and Norway, and since the launch of the fund in March 2020, have provided practical support for UK nationals who need assistance with the process of applying/registering for residency in 12 European countries, following the end of the Transition Period. This funding is in addition to £3 million announced by the Foreign Secretary in March 2020.

The UKNSF will continue to operate in France, Spain, Germany, Italy, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Greece, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Malta and Norway.

British Ambassador to Poland, Anna Clunes, said:

IOM Poland provide vital support to UK nationals who need additional support with their residency application in Poland. I also urge all UK nationals living in Poland to take action and apply for the Polish Government's Withdrawal Agreement scheme as soon as possible, as this will help them secure their rights under the Withdrawal Agreement.

This assistance builds on the ongoing outreach and guidance provided by the UK's network of Embassies, High Commissions and Consulates across Europe.

UK nationals should visit the [Living in Poland Guide](#) to check what action they may need to take.