All children in migration are vulnerable and in need of protection. In its Communication, the Commission sets out urgent actions to be taken as part of a comprehensive approach for the protection of children in migration in the EU.

### Identifying and protecting children

- **Commission and EU agencies** → improve guidance for identifying and registering children in migration
- **Commission and EU agencies** → support Member States in collecting data
- **Commission** → support the Member States to integrate child protection and safeguarding procedures for all children in migration, and take action to prevent children going missing, ensure follow-up to cases of disappearances
- **Member States** → to appoint a child protection officer in each hotspot

### Children’s access to status determination procedures and procedural safeguards

- **Commission and EU agencies** → establish a European guardianship network in cooperation with European Network of Guardianship Institutions
- **Member States** → recruit and train guardians to safeguard the best interests of unaccompanied children
- **Member States** → prioritise cases and proceedings involving children
- **Member States** → prioritise the relocation of unaccompanied children from Greece and Italy

### Reception in the EU

- **Commission** → promote alternatives to detention of children
- **Member States** → ensure children’s individual needs are assessed in first reception centres
- **Member States** → provide timely access to legal assistance, healthcare and psychological support.
- **Member States** → provide a range of alternative care options for unaccompanied children, e.g. foster care
- **Commission and EU agencies** → prepare guidance on reception conditions for unaccompanied children
Durable solutions

- **Commission** → promote integration through funding and exchange of good practices
- **Member States** → ensure children’s equal access to education within short time span after arrival
- **Member States** → implement programmes to support full inclusion (teacher training, skills and language assessment, special support for unaccompanied children, etc.)
- **Member States** → step up actions for resettlement of children through national programmes and EU schemes.

Collecting data, exchanging good practices and implementing the Communication

- **Commission and EU agencies** → launch consultation on data collection methodology with the aim of improving data on children in migration
- **Commission** → establish an online database of good practices
- **Commission and EU agencies** → monitor implementation of actions set out in Communication
- **Member States** → ensure children are informed about their rights
- **Member States** → Train all those working with children in migration (border guards, guardians, reception care workers, etc.)
- **Member States** → prioritise children in migration under Asylum Migration and Integration Fund (AMIF) and Internal Security Found (ISF) national programmes.