



EUROPEAN BORDER AND COAST GUARD AGENCY

ETIAS

latest developments

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ETIAS
European Travel Information
and Authorisation System

European Travel Information and Authorisation System (ETIAS)

- Established by the Regulation (EU) 2018/1240
- Strengthens Europe's internal security while facilitating the movement of *bona fide* travellers
- 4 EU institutions and 30 European countries involved



EES & ETIAS - WHAT ARE THEY ABOUT



ENTRY/EXIT SYSTEM (EES)

Registers visa-free and visa-required travellers entering 29 European countries for a short stay

- Starts: October 2025 (to be confirmed on June)
- Travellers' **biometrics** registered and verified
- Replaces physical stamps of passport
- **Automatically** detects overstayers
- Detects cases of multiple identities

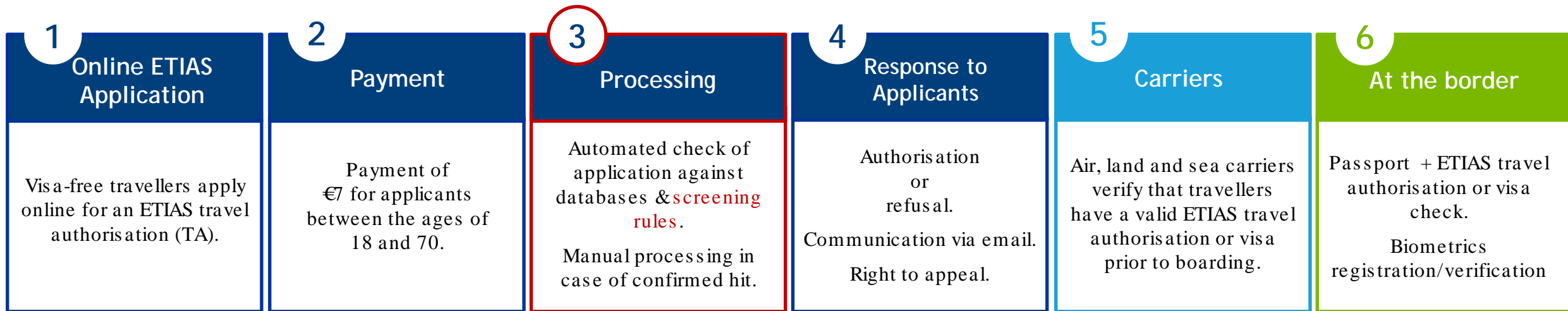
EUROPEAN TRAVEL INFORMATION AND AUTHORISATION SYSTEM (ETIAS)

New entry requirement for visa-free travellers to enter the 29 Schengen countries (Bulgaria*, Romania*) and Cyprus for a short stay



- Starts: last quarter of 2026 (to be confirmed)
- ETIAS travel **authorisation** required to travel to 30 European countries
- EUR 7 (age: 18-70)
- Valid for **3 years** or until the passport expires
- **Transition** and **grace periods** (at least 6 months each)

NEW TRAVEL PROCESS TO EUROPE






















Possibility of pre-registration for first-time travellers

Who needs ETIAS ?

 Albania
 Antigua and Barbuda
 Argentina
 Australia
 Bahamas
 Barbados
 Bosnia and Herzegovina
 Brazil
 Brunei
 Canada
 Chile
 Colombia
 Costa Rica
 Dominica
 El Salvador
 Georgia
 Grenada
 Guatemala
 Honduras
 Hong Kong

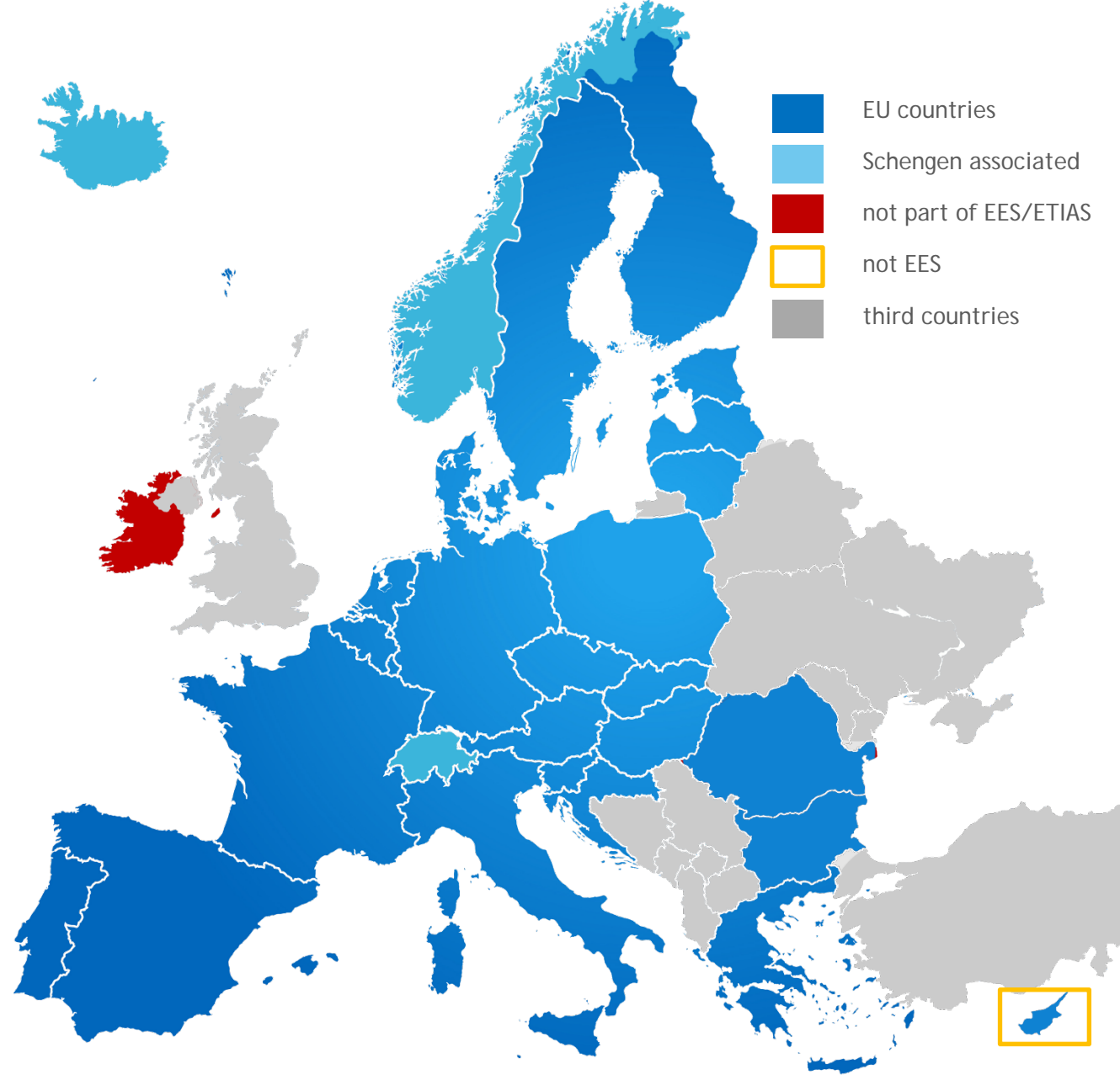
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 Malaysia
 Marshall Islands
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 Mexico
 Micronesia
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 New Zealand
 Nicaragua
 North Macedonia
 Palau
 Panama
 Paraguay
 Peru
 Saint Kitts and Nevis

 Saint Lucia
 Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
 Samoa
 Serbia
 Seychelles
 Singapore
 Solomon Islands
 South Korea
 Taiwan
 Timor-Leste
 Tonga
 Trinidad and Tobago
 Tuvalu
 Ukraine
 United Arab Emirates
 United Kingdom
 United States of America
 Uruguay
 Venezuela

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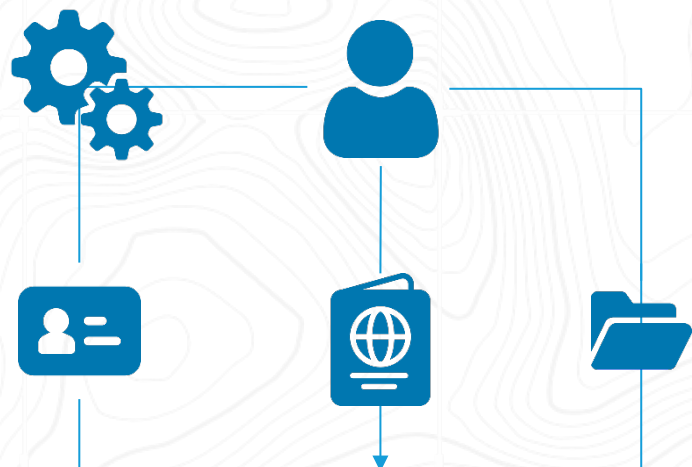
REQUIRING COUNTRIES

	Austria		Latvia
	Belgium		Liechtenstein
	Bulgaria		Lithuania
	Croatia		Luxembourg
	Cyprus		Malta
	Czech Republic		Netherlands
	Denmark		Norway
	Estonia		Poland
	Finland		Portugal
	France		Romania
	Germany		Slovakia
	Greece		Slovenia
	Hungary		Spain
	Iceland		Sweden
	Italy		Switzerland



Applications processing

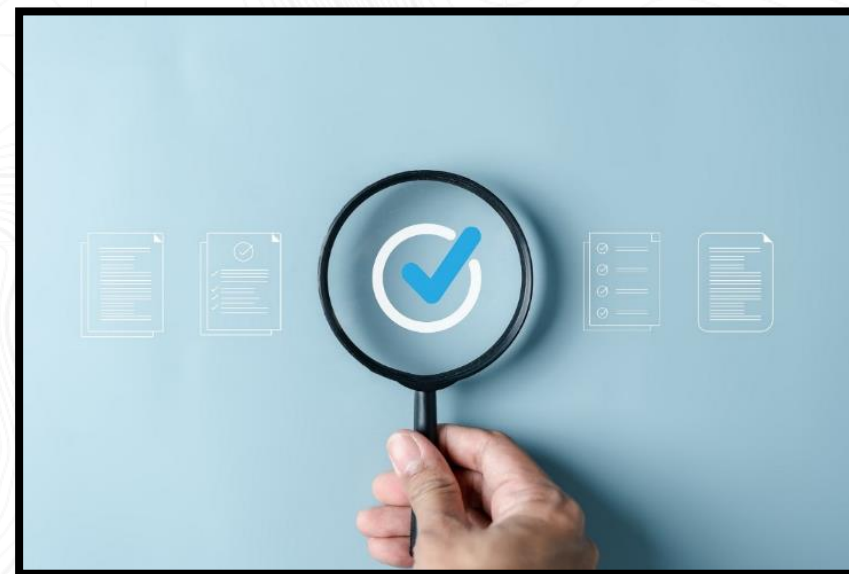
- **About 95%** of applications will be processed **within minutes**, in exceptional cases the process may take **up to 30 days**



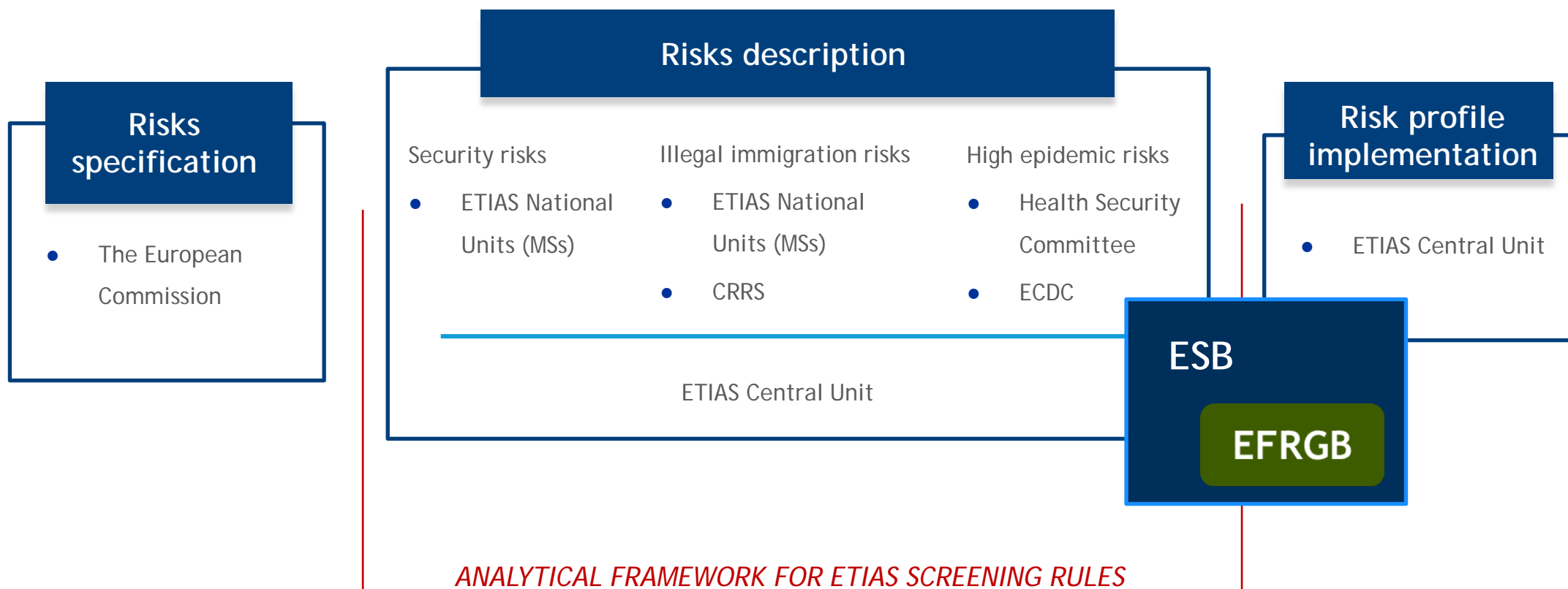
Checks against databases (SIS/VIS/EUROPOL/EURODAC/ etc.) + ETIAS including screening rules and watchlist



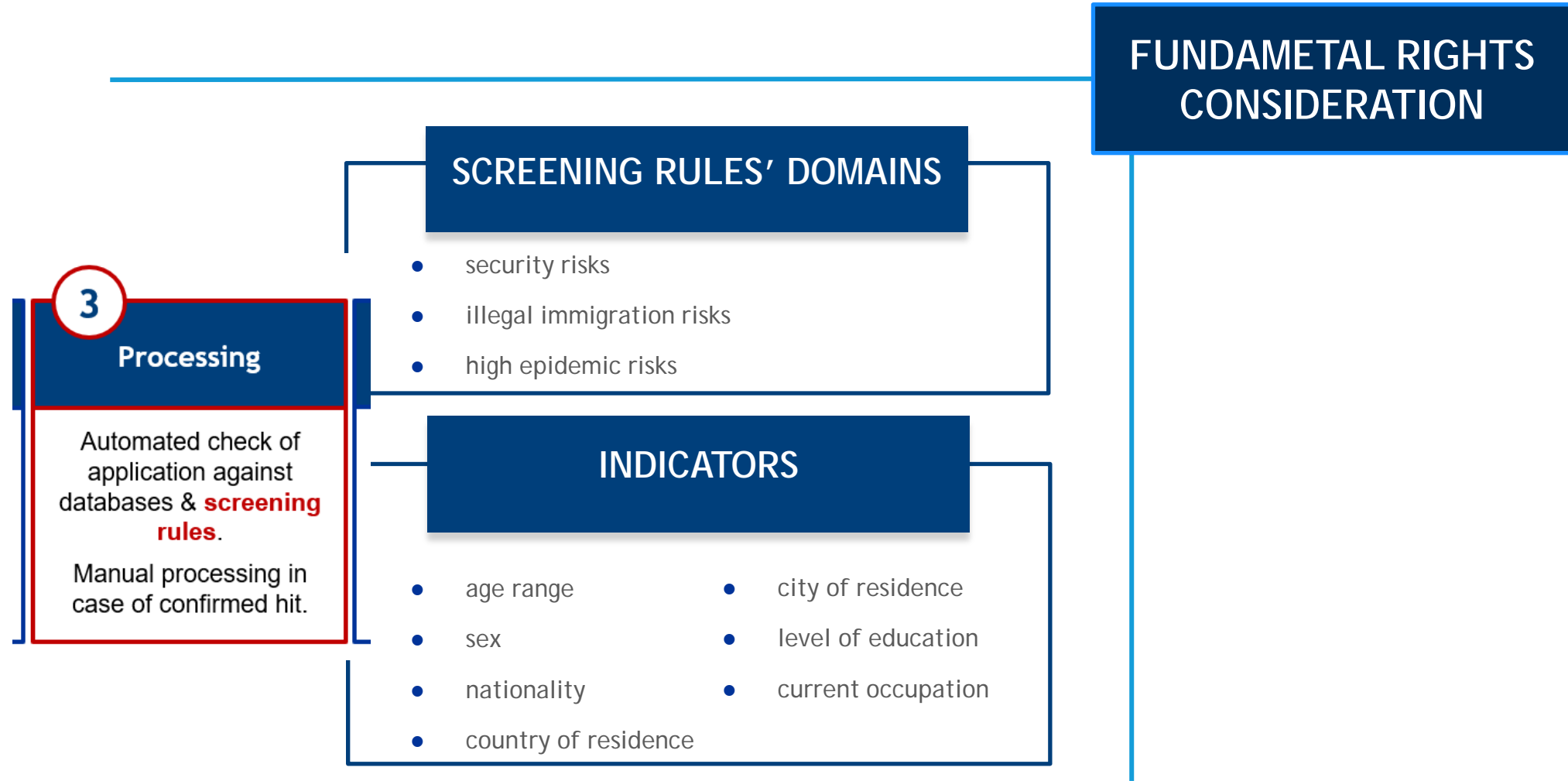
If there is a hit during the automated processing, the application will be manually processed by an operator of the ETIAS Central Unit and the ETIAS National Unit



ETIAS SCREENING RULES - stakeholders & processes



ETIAS SCREENING RULES



ETIAS Central Unit

The ETIAS Central Unit is established within Frontex and it will review and verify applications that need a manual check. If an application needs to be escalated, it will then be sent to the ETIAS National Units.

Operational 24 hours a day / 7 days a week

MAIN TASKS



Verifying hits



Launching the manual processing of hits



updated

Ensuring application files are



Facilitating consultations between Member States when necessary



Managing risk indicators



Carrying out regular audits of the processing of applications



Providing the general public with all relevant information about the ETIAS application

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europa.eu/etias





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Thank you

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