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**EEA GRANTS 2014-2021: Signature of the Project Contract for the Predefined Project entitled "Assistance to Asylum Service"**

In the context of European Economic Area Financial Mechanism 2014-2021 (EEA Grants), **European and Development Programmes Division of the Ministry of Citizen Protection**, acting as the **Programme Operator of the Programme GR-G** "Capacity Building of National Asylum and Migration Management Systems", **signed the Project Contract for the Predefined Project entitled "Assistance to Asylum Service”**.

The project budget is **5.001.750,00 EUR** and it will be implemented by the **Asylum Service of the Ministry of Migration and Asylum.** The implementation of the predefinedproject aims at upgrading the functionality and the operational capacity of the project promoter while at the same time it will contribute to the improvement of the quality of the services provided regarding the first degree of administrative examination of applications for international protection.

The predefined Project will be implemented in partnership with the **Norwegian Directorate of Immigration (UDI)** which acts as the Donor Project Partner.