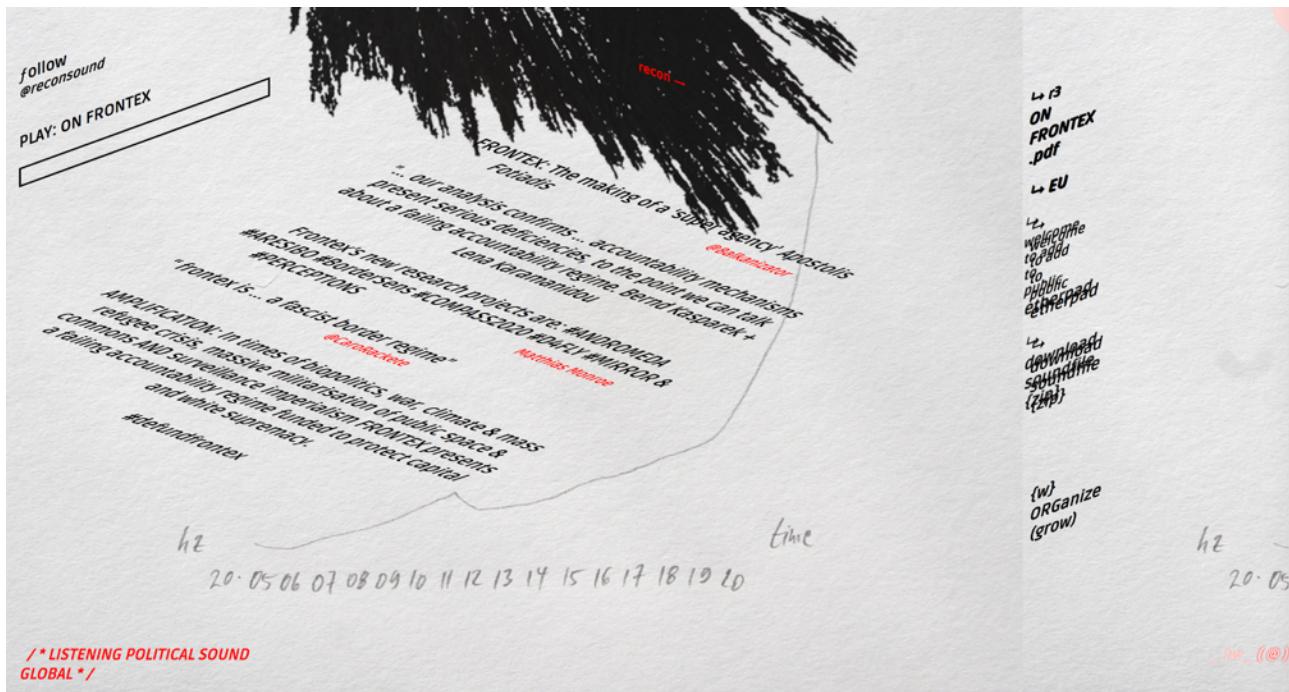


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Year: Frontex budget € in Million (wiki)

2005: € 5.5 Million
2006: € 19.2
2007: € 42.1
2008: € 70.4
2009: € 88.3
2010: € 92.8
2011: € 118.2
2012: € 89.6
2013: € 94
2014: € 93.4
2015: € 143.3
2016: € 251
2017: € 302
2018: € 320
2019: € 333
2020: € 420.6 Million

prospect budget for 2021-2027 € 5.5 Billion / average € 786 Million per year

Budget conclusions & sources

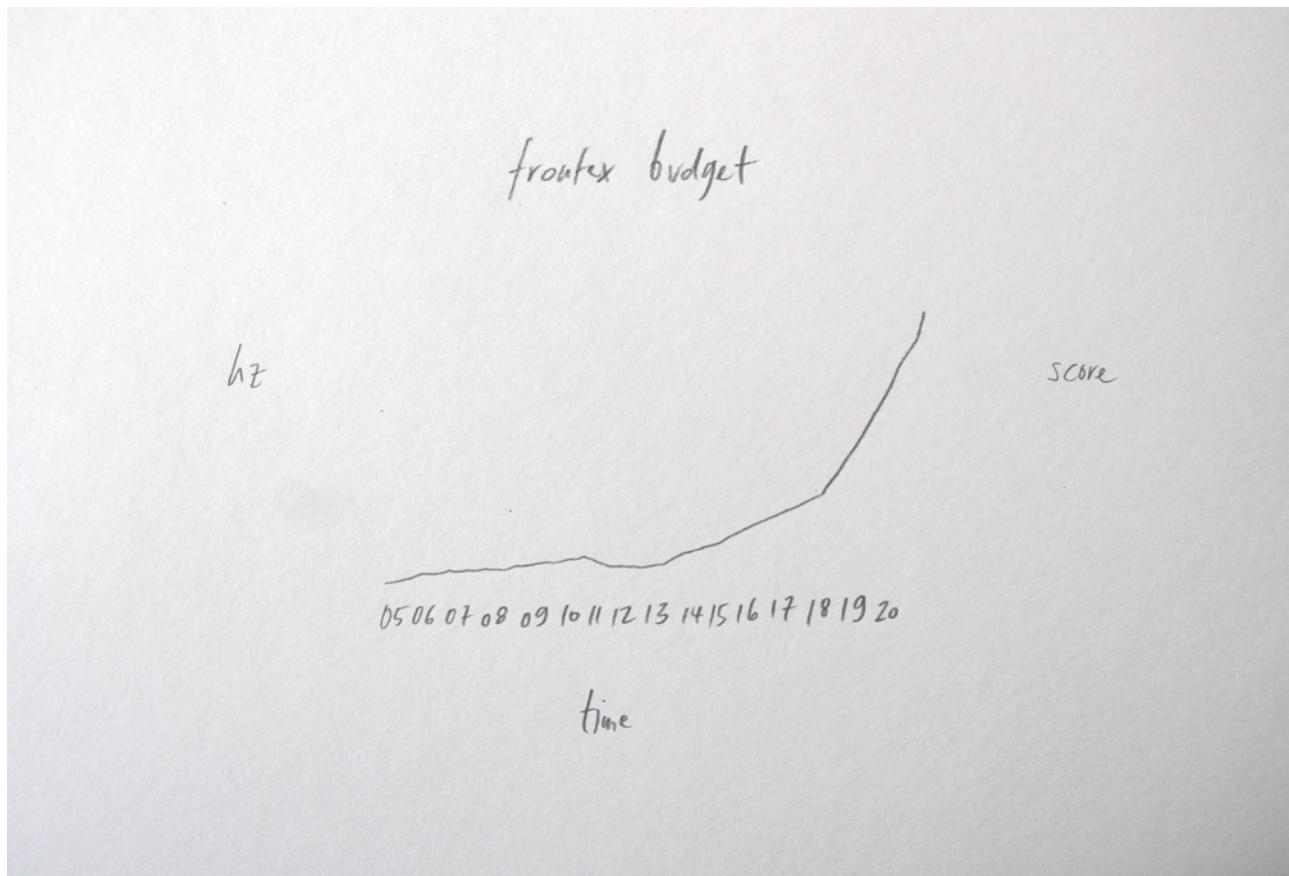
From 2005 - 2020 the budget rose **from 5,5 Million to 420,6 Million Euro.**

In 2020 alone (+34.6% compared to 2019) for the European Border and Coast Guard Agency (Frontex) following the agreement reached by the European Parliament and the Council in March 2019 to set up a standing corps of 10 000 border guards by 2027;
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Amplification #defundfrontex

In times of biopolitics, war, climate & mass refugee crisis, massive militarisation of public space & commons AND surveillance imperialism FRONTEX presents a failing accountability regime funded to protect capital and white supremacy.

#defundfrontex



Introduction/Webiste/Wikipedia

Frontex was established as a European Union agency in the field of border, migration and asylum policies in 2004 and began operating in 2005. Over the last 15 years, the mandate of the agency, originally tasked with coordinating the operational management of the European Union's external border through support to the EU's member states, has expanded significantly. Through a series of reforms, most notably in 2007, and 2016 and 2019, the agency has become a pivotal actor in what is referred to as 'European Integrated Border Management'.

<https://frontex.europa.eu/>

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/European_Border_and_Coast_Guard_Agency

Selected key language from a public lecture by Matthias Monroy at 35C3 2018

https://koeln.cdn.media.ccc.de/congress/2018/h264-hd/35c3-9720-deu-eng-fra-Frontex_Der_europaeische_Grenzgeheimdienst_hd.mp4

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vLbSpu6FF9s> [english automated subtitles]

- Frontex is the European border secret police/ smart EU or European border intelligence service with headquarter in Warsaw
- reconnaissance into deep border regions & areas, deep into Africa & north African coasts
- use of multi-purpose air service drones
- researches improving surveillance, streaming images to the headquarters in Warsaw
- research on persistent surveillance, 2025/2030 - high resolution imaging combined footage from high and low satellites, drones, planes
- Eurosur collaboration, see accelerated budget
- Kopernikus, Sat-cen, operation Themis
- new satellite generation 2025 with higher resolution
- customer of first „SpaceDataHighway”
- EUNAVFOR med: militarised EU - uses submarines and planes to prevent migration
- “Maritime Integrated Surveillance Awareness” to “improve surveillance of the sea
- Europol collabo of EU police
- center against migration smuggling
- criminalisation of ‘escape aid’ versus ‘people smuggling’
- regional networks to join militarised 3rd state/parties & EUROSUR (Seepferdchen)
- new research projects are #ANDROMEDA #ARESIBO #BorderSens #COMPASS2020 #D4FLY #MIRROR & #PERCEPTIONS (Sep 2020)

Mixed links

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<https://www.academia.edu/43748622/>

Fundamental_Rights_Accountability_and_Transparency_in_European_Governance_of_Migration_The_Case_of_the_European_Border_and_Coast_Guard_Agency_Frontex

Dec 2019 FRONTEX: The making of a 'super agency'

<https://rsaegean.org/en/the-making-of-a-super-agency/>
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Dec 2018 Frontex: Der europäische Grenzgeheimdienst Das Grenzüberwachungssystem EUROSUR führt Aufklärungsdaten von Satelliten, Flugzeugen, Drohnen und bald auch Fesselballons zusammen with Matthias Monroy

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Frontex: watching the watchers

<https://correctiv.org/en/top-stories-en/2019/08/15/frontex-watching-the-watchers/>

10,000 border guards for Frontex: Why the EU risks conflated expectations

https://www.ies.be/files/pub_8745_frontex.pdf

Die Militarisierung der Festung Europa und wie europäische Rüstungskonzerne daran verdienen

Matthias Monroy (Wissensarbeiter and Aktivist und Mitglied der Redaktion der Zeitschrift Bürgerrechte & Polizei/CILIP) Video Player

https://media.ccc.de/v/fiffkon19-16-die_militarisierung_der_festung_europa_und_wie_europaeische_ruestungskonzerne_daran_verdienen

'Deportation Union: Rights, accountability, and the EU's push to increased forced removals' looks at new and forthcoming measures to increase the number of deportations from the #EU.

<https://twitter.com/StatewatchEU/status/1297807609987309569>

2018 Auch im Mittelmeer gilt das Recht

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EU border force Frontex implicated in migrant abuse

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2020 FRONTEX forces in Evros at Greek - Turkish Borders

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wtdm7cprbtg>

frontext youtube page, trailers with stock classical music, supporting the hero-type image

<https://www.youtube.com/user/FrontexEUAgency>

EU official says asylum policy impasse 'part of the problem' at Moria

<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2020/sep/10/eu-official-says-asylum-policy-impasse-part-of-the-problem-at-moria>

Europe's multi-billion border budget is a bonanza for the security industry

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European Commission

https://ec.europa.eu/search/?QueryText=frontex&op=Search&swlang=en&form_build_id=form-0e8liOlhi50Bug7hXDYUkGjZseZD3EG47TuCAtCjs9A&form_id=nexteuropa_europa_search_search_form

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Calls raised to 'defund Frontex' on anniversary of unlawful arrest of NGO refugee rescue ship captain Carola Rackete

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Ylva Johansson says EU working to reduce number of refugees and migrants on Greek islands

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Journalism & research to follow

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[http://digit.site36.net \(en\)](http://digit.site36.net (en))

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<https://www.birmingham.ac.uk/schools/government/research/doctoral-researchers/profiles/politics/karakoulaki-marianna.aspx>

Semsrott - journalist and freedom of information activist for transparency.

Politics and Economics: Expertise with a radical face

<https://braveneweurope.com/?s=frontex>

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<https://ifsh.de/personen/perkowski>

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<https://www.statewatch.org/about/>

“...a fascist border regime” Caro Rackete

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We are an registered non-governmental organization in Greece and Germany

<https://www.equal-rights.org/>

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<https://www.cilip.de/>

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Menschenrechte ohne Grenzen e. V.
<https://www.borderline-europe.de/>

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