

# What is destitution? PAFRAS briefing paper number 9

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## Aims

This briefing on access to legal aid is part of a series that provides concise analyses of key policies and concerns relating to people made destitute through the asylum process.

## Methodology

Policy analysis and data from interviews with people who use the PAFRAS [Positive Action for Refugees and Asylum Seekers] drop-in.

## Key issues

The paper discusses the implementation of destitution in the asylum system; the apparent escalation of destitution using statistics from the PAFRAS drop-in; institutionalised poverty; the features of destitution and the political framework of destitution.

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