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Legislative reforms

PROPOSAL FOR REFORM OF THE 2016 ASYLUM PROCEDURES
REGULATION PROPOSAL: allowing for more effective while flexible use of border procedures and bringing together the rules on the asylum and return border procedures in a single legislative instrument.

WITHDRAWAL OF THE 2016 PROPOSAL FOR REFORM OF THE DUBLIN REGULATIONS:
to be replaced by a Regulation on asylum and migration management.

AMENDMENT OF THE LONG-TERM RESIDENTS DIRECTIVE:
asylum seekers will be able to acquire the long-term resident status after three years of legal and continuous residence in a Member State.

PROPOSED APPROVAL OF A REGULATION ADDRESSING SITUATIONS OF CRISIS AND FORCE MAJEURE in the field of migration and asylum and repeal of the Temporary Protection Directive.

FINALISE REFORM OF THE BLUE CARD DIRECTIVE
and full implementation of the Directive on Students and Researchers.
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1. A COMMON FRAMEWORK FOR MIGRATION AND ASYLUM MANAGEMENT

- NEW, FASTER PRE-SCREENING PROCEDURE to review asylum applications at the external borders.
- A COMMON FRAMEWORK FOR SOLIDARITY AND RESPONSIBILITY SHARING: countries may choose between relocation, return sponsorship or provision of other type of support (technical or financial).
- STRONGER MONITORING OF POLICY IMPLEMENTATION at the national level.
- PROTECTING CHILDREN AND THE VULNERABLE: strengthening the European Network on Guardianship.
- AN EFFECTIVE AND COMMON EU SYSTEM FOR RETURNS: appointment of a Return Coordinator and promotion of voluntary returns.
- DEVELOPMENT OF EURODAC.

2. A ROBUST CRISIS PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE SYSTEM

- RECOMMENDATION ON A MIGRATION PREPAREDNESS AND CRISIS BLUEPRINT: to help move from a reactive model to one based on readiness and anticipation.
- NEW MECHANISMS to grant immediate protection status in crisis situations.
ENSURING EFFICIENCY OF EU EXTERNAL BORDERS: more support from Frontex: full implementation of the European Border and Coast Guard Regulation and setting up of a standing corps with a capacity of 10,000 staff.

INTEROPERABLE IT SYSTEMS to keep track of arrivals and asylum applications.

COMMON APPROACH TO SEARCH AND RESCUE: better coordination and cooperation among Member States, guidance to prevent the facilitation of unauthorised entry and to prevent the criminalisation of humanitarian actors.

STRATEGY ON THE FUTURE OF SCHENGEN.

REINFORCING THE FIGHT AGAINST MIGRANT SMUGGLING

NEW 2021-2025 ACTION PLAN against migrant smuggling.

WORKING WITH INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS

MAXIMISING THE IMPACT OF MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL AGREEMENTS WITH INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS: relations with EU neighbours are crucial (Turkey, North Africa, Balkans or African Strategy, and possibility of working with Asian and Latin American countries).
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- **Greater support to host countries** through humanitarian aid funds and international cooperation.
- **Building economic opportunities** and reducing causes of irregular migration.
- **Promoting voluntary return.**
- **Partnerships** to strengthen migration management.
- **Fostering cooperation** on readmission and reintegration.
- **Developing legal pathways to the European Union:** resettlement, humanitarian admission schemes, study or work-related schemes, agreements on legal migration.

**Attracting skills and talent to the EU**

- **Talent partnership.**
- **Reinforcing the link** between legal migration and the European demographic scenario.

**Supporting integration for more inclusive societies**

- **Adoption of an action plan** on integration and inclusion for 2021-2024.