

European Movement International

Conference on the Future of Europe: The European Movement International's recommendations for the Working Group on Migration

[European citizens' recommendations](#) from the panel "EU in the World / Migration" describe a migration policy based on hosting and integrating people crossing our borders. Echoing that sentiment, and in line with the [Policy Positions](#) adopted by a diverse set of organisations that comprise the European Movement International network¹, we call for the Conference to promote an inclusive Europe based on solidarity and human rights.

These are our recommendations:

- We call for the **establishment of a common migration and asylum policy** based on solidarity, security and the respect of refugee and migrant rights, in light of the growing migration flow of Ukrainians arriving in the EU as well as the ongoing migration crises due to conflicts, the climate emergency and socio-economic factors (Recommendation 29).
- We support the **fair sharing of responsibility to host asylum seekers and refugees** according to the economic and social capacities of EU Member States and EEA States. The EU should **replace the Dublin system** with a permanent and binding mechanism that will offer a structural, long-term strategy in times of extreme strain (Recommendation 33).
- Channels of legal migration should be fostered and promoted in order to **prevent further humanitarian disasters and counter human trafficking**. (Recommendation 8).
- Persons seeking international protection should be able to apply for a European humanitarian visa directly in their country of origin. With the issuing of **visas on humanitarian grounds** currently falling outside the

¹ The European Movement is the largest pan-European network of pro-European organisations. It is present in over 30 countries and encompasses 38 pan-European networks, bringing together European civil society, employers, trade unions, NGOs, political parties, local authorities and academia.

scope of EU law, the European Parliament's efforts to include specific provisions in the Union Visa Code is welcomed (Recommendation 9).

- Special measures must be put in place to **assist particularly vulnerable migrants** such as women and unaccompanied children arriving in the EU (Recommendation 38).
- As a substantial financial contributor to development cooperation, the EU should continue its work to **address the root causes of irregular migration and forced displacement** (Recommendation 27).
- **European standards for the integration of refugees and asylum seekers** should be developed as well as **common standards for the evaluation of asylum applications** (Recommendation 39).
- **Social inclusion policies** are indispensable for the successful integration of those arriving in Europe. Refugees and especially child migrants must have access to education and health care.