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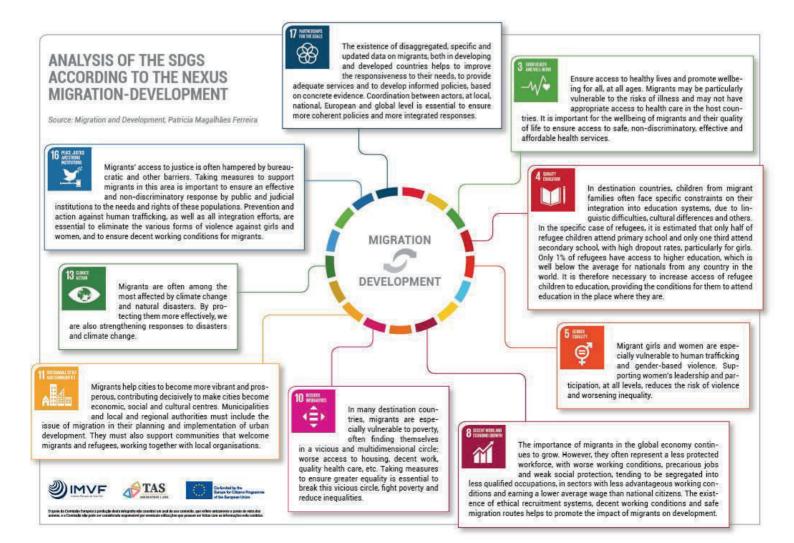
Why you should write to your MEPs and ask for coherence: policy coherence for development

Policy coherence for development is an instrument that ensures that development policies are not undermined by other policies and thus compromise the glocal priority of poverty erradication.

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ANALYSIS OF THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS ACCORDING TO THE NEXUS MIGRATION-DEVELOPMENT

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ACTIVITIES | TIMELINE

From October to December all 5 partners promoted WorkLabs and one project webinar. We highlight the fact that all partners have worked on deconstructing current narratives and sharing real life stories.

OCTOBER 29TH | COPE | ITALY

The Italy of hate: xenophobia and discriminatory campaigns against migrants in the digital age



NOVEMBER 10TH | TERRAFORMING | SERBIA Migration Policies: The Responses of Decision Makers to Questions by Youth from Serbia <u>READ MORE</u>



NOVEMBER 16TH | IMVF | PORTUGAL

The narratives on migration and how to fight fake news <u>READ MORE</u>



NOVEMBER 19TH | ACTA CENTER | ROMANIA

Migrants and refugees - Realities versus myths and stereotypes READ MORE



DECEMBER 3TH | WEBINAR

New Pact on Migration and Asylum: The Future of Dublin Regulation

Changes and innovation enhanced by the new Pact on Migration and Asylum were at the core of the discussions as well as the closed port policy. READ MORE



DECEMBER 8TH | VOCAL EUROPE | BELGIUM Rethinking Migration Policies in the context of a Pandemic <u>READ MORE</u>



70 YEARS OF ACTION

The office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) was created in 1950, during the aftermath of the Second World War, to help millions of Europeans who had fled or lost their homes. Today, over 70 years later, the organization is still hard at work, protecting and assisting refugees around the world.

UNHCR at 70: proud of our work but in no mood to celebrate

For seven decades, colleagues in the UN Refugee Agency have protected, saved and changed millions of lives. But how much better it would be, says High Commissioner Filippo Grandi, if no one was compelled to flee at all...

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Who We Are: 70 Years of the UN Refugee Agency WATCH

CLIMATE CHANGE & MIGRATION



The role that **climate change** presents in driving present and future trends in migration, along with the legal statute of **climate migrants** is complex and demands a detailed understanding of the factors underlying migration.

We know today that every year natural disasters are the cause of the displacement of almost 14 million people. As the climate crisis deepens, the number of those displaced due to climate-related factors also rises. **It's predicted that in 2050 more than 143 million people will be environmentally displaced.** In fact, the established link between natural phenomena and forcibly displaced populations is staggering. Nonetheless, we are aware of other existing factors that condition these figures, such as poverty, conflict, economic conditions, ecosystem degradation and lack of governance.

Through the **Campaign #ClimateOfChange** 16 partners, from 13 EU Members-States will focus on the existing interconnectedness of themes between these challenges and the development process, as well as our role as development actors.

More about the #ClimateOfChange campaign on: https://climateofchange.info/

INTERNATIONAL MIGRANTS DAY December 18th

2020 Theme: Reimagining Human Mobility

Migrants contribute their knowledge, networks, and skills to build stronger, more resilient communities. During the past months, migrants have been at the forefront of the fight against COVID-19. Their work in health, transportation and food services made our lives under lockdown more bearable.

However, like many who find themselves living on the margins of society, migrants are disproportionately affected by COVID-19 through job losses, evictions and discrimination. Millions of migrants are stranded, often without income or shelter, unable to return home due to COVID-19 mobility restrictions, and they also face increased risks of trafficking and exploitation.

The pandemic cannot be used as an excuse to rollback commitments to promote and protect the rights of migrants regardless of their legal status. It cannot become an excuse for the increased use of detention, often in overcrowded conditions, and the forced return of migrants to their countries of origin without due process, in many cases in violation of international law.

People on the move hope for a brighter future. It is our collective responsibility to create a safer, more resilient world.

Migration should be a choice, not a necessity. On #MigrantsDay, let's reaffirm our commitment to safe and dignified migration for all.

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WHAT TO READ



Extreme weather exiles: how climate change is turning Europeans into migrants

Climate change could leave you homeless overnight – right here, in Europe.



New Pact on Migration and Asylum A fresh start on migration in Europe

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Reaction

Reaction to the New Pact on Migration and Asylum

While some proposals go in the right direction to protect the rights of people on the move, others are not aligned with development cooperation objectives, or human rights' standards.

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Migrants – particularly in lower paid jobs – may be both more affected by and vulnerable to the spread of COVID-19 in countries already impacted and those countries where the pandemic is spreading, but migrants also play an important role in the response to COVID-19 by working in critical sectors.

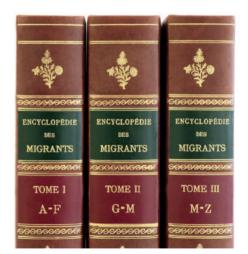
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To change the migration narrative, we need fact-checkers

In the fight against disinformation, one media outlet is redirecting readers who seek out the negative.



The Encyclopedia of Migrants

The Encyclopedia of migrants is an artistic experimentation project initiated by Paloma Fernández Sobrino which aimed to produce an encyclopedia containing 400 testimonies of the life narratives of migrant people.

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Max Richter - Richter: All Human Beings

"The opening words of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, drafted in 1948, are "All human beings are are born free and equal in dignity and rights." These inspiring words are a guiding principle for the whole declaration but, looking around at the world we have made in the decades since they were written, it is clear that we have forgotten them...<u>READ MORE</u>

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8000 paperclipes

When Raffael Lomas, Israeli artist and TED Fellow, travels to Uganda to make art with South Sudanese children raised in Israel and deported back to Africa, he forges unexpected connections and wrestles with the question – what is the real value of art? In a complex and layered story, 8000 Paper Clips explores the value of art, Raffael's own history with depression and struggle, and what humans need...<u>READ MORE</u>

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TAS - THESIS, ANTITHESIS AND SYNTHESIS - MIGRATION LABS

The TAS – Migration Labs aims to support the fundamental principles of EU citizenship and to promote an improvement in civic and democratic participation at EU level, reaffirming values of solidarity, intercultural dialogue, mutual understanding and combatting existing stereotypes on migration and minorities. Our activities are mostly directed at young adults, political decision makers and other stakeholders from partner countries. The tasks envisage to raise awareness of EU policy-making processes, in particular migration, and to boost opportunities for social and intercultural participation and volunteering.

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE PROJECT: <u>tasmigrationlab.eu</u> FOLLOW US ON <u>FACEBOOK</u> AND <u>TWITTER</u>

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