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**"Assessing the flow of external EU migration funding,
including trust funds"**

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16.00 - 16.10	Welcome and opening remarks by: Mr Jean Arthuis , Chair of the BUDG Committee Mr Javier Couso Permuy , Vice-Chair of the AFET Committee
16.10 - 16.45	<i>Panel I - Towards a new model of EU external migration funding: from emergency to a more structural response</i> <u>Co-chairs:</u> Mr Javier Couso Permuy , Vice-Chair of the AFET Committee and Mr Jean Arthuis , Chair of the BUDG Committee <i>This panel will look into the changes in the EU's institutional and political set-up, including the political design and rollout of new tools - migration compacts, Facility for Refugees in Turkey, trust funds, External Investment Plan.</i> <i>It should bring answers to the following questions:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- <i>Which factors have made the EU change its approach to the external migration?</i>- <i>How has the EU changed its approach to external migration funding in the past seven years (shifting focus, adding new objectives or reinforcing former ones)? How genuine has this been?</i>- <i>How does the new funding approach link to political priorities and how does it seek to create genuine partnerships with countries of origin or transit?</i>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>How does the EU response relate to global and multilateral migration debates?</i> - <i>How has the migration response enlarged the range and scope of external EU budgetary instruments?</i> - <i>What has been the impact on the budgetary, accountability and oversight roles of the EP?</i> - <i>Which lessons can be learnt for the next MFF?</i> <p><u>Speakers:</u></p> <p>Ms Elizabeth Collett, Director of the Migration Policy Institute Europe</p> <p>Mr Christian Leffler, Deputy Secretary General, EEAS</p> <p>Ms Marjeta Jager, Deputy Director-General, DG DEVCO and Mr Maciej Popowski, Deputy Director-General, DG NEAR</p>
16.45 - 17.15	Questions, replies, debate
17.15 - 17.45	<p>Panel II - Reality check: is the EU response bearing fruits on the ground?</p> <p>Co-chairs: Ms Linda McAvan, Chair of the DEVE Committee and Ms Ingeborg Gräßle, Chair of the CONT Committee</p> <p><i>The second panel will examine the situation on the ground with regard to the impact on the type of actions funded by the EU, through traditional or new types of funding instruments.</i></p> <p><i>It will namely answer the following questions:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>How have the changes in funding models / new instruments created been perceived on the ground? How has the new approach affected the EU's relations with third countries?</i> - <i>Have there been new types of projects funded and/or a genuine reprioritization / redeployment of the actions funded on the ground?</i> - <i>Is the funding delivered more quickly and strategically? How to ensure an adequate compatibility of the support vehicles used and financial accountability?</i> - <i>What about the effectiveness of processes implemented by the EU?</i> - <i>What is the real added value for the EU and/or the end beneficiaries?</i> - <i>Has the coordination between different actors (Member States, NGOs, Commission/EEAS services etc.) been improving? Has this had a real effect on EU visibility and the autonomy of the EU action?</i> - <i>Which lessons can be learnt for the next MFF?</i> <p><u>Speakers:</u></p> <p>Mr Hassoumi Massoudou, Minister of Finance of Niger</p> <p>Ms Fanni Bihari, CONCORD (Confederation for Cooperation of Relief and Development NGOs'), Migration Expert - Policy Officer On Migration and Refugees of Act Alliance</p>

	<p>Mr Krzys Jurek, British Council, Director EU Office for the Practitioners Network for European Development Cooperation and Dr Bob Arnot, British Council, Programme Director Trust Fund north-east Nigeria operations, Head Sub-Saharan Africa for Justice, Peace and Anti-Corruption.</p>
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18.15 - 18.30	<p>Concluding remarks:</p> <p>Ms Ingeborg Gräßle, Chair of the CONT Committee Ms Linda McAvan, Chair of the DEVE Committee</p>