

Migration and refugee crisis: MEPs' debate with UNHCR Guterres and EU Commission

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Measures to deal with the migration and refugee crisis as well as the situation in transit countries in the Mediterranean region were debated at a joint hearing held by the Foreign Affairs, Home Affairs, Human Rights committees on Tuesday morning. MEPs expressed disappointment at the outcome of Monday's Justice and Home Affairs Council meeting and urged EU to shoulder its responsibilities.

The debate began with contributions from by Foreign Affairs Committee Chair Elmar Brok (EPP, DE), Justice and Home Affairs Committee Chair Claude Moraes (S&D, UK), EU foreign chief Federica Mogherini, Commissioner for migration Dimitris Avramopoulos, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees António Guterres and Human Rights Subcommittee Chair Elena Valenciano (S&D, ES) before members of the parliaments of Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Tunisia and Turkey as well as MEPs took the floor and voiced the views of their respective countries and political groups.

Catch up with the debate on twitter or watch the video recording.

Further information

- Committee on Foreign Affairs: <http://www.europarl.europa.eu/committees/en/afet/home.html>
- Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs: <http://www.europarl.europa.eu/committees/en/libe/home.html>
- Subcommittee on Human Rights: <http://www.europarl.europa.eu/committees/en/droi/home.html>
- Twitter wrap-up of the debate: https://twitter.com/search?q=%40EP_ForeignAff%20%23EPonMigration&src=typd
- Re-watch the debate: <http://www.europarl.europa.eu/ep-live/en/committees/video?event=20150915-0900-COMMITTEE-AFET-DROI-LIBE>
- Opening remarks by Elmar BROK, Chair of the AFET Committee: <http://audiovisual.europarl.europa.eu/Assetdetail.aspx?id=c0b9a6ed-5423-41e2-ab19-a51300fb61d3>
- Opening remarks by Claude MORAES, Chair of the LIBE Committee: <http://audiovisual.europarl.europa.eu/Assetdetail.aspx?id=c151cbb1-4aac-4728-863c-a51300fb6da3>
- Keynote speeches - Federica MOGHERINI, High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy and Vice-President of the EC: <http://audiovisual.europarl.europa.eu/Assetdetail.aspx?id=73615e7d-7d4f-4a16-91cc-a5140083e348>
- Keynote speeches - Dimitris AVRAMOPOULOS, Member of the EC in charge of Migration and Home Affairs: <http://audiovisual.europarl.europa.eu/Assetdetail.aspx?id=4d9d8641-afd2-4965-9c61-a5140089691e>
- Keynote speeches - António GUTERRES, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR): <http://audiovisual.europarl.europa.eu/Assetdetail.aspx?id=bf6f574a-d4e9-4269-897a-a514008d9ab1>
- Full audiovisual package of the hearing: <http://audiovisual.europarl.europa.eu/Package.aspx?id=27717&asset=V&type=L>
- Migration: MEPs call for more EU solidarity: <http://audiovisual.europarl.europa.eu/Page.aspx?id=2297>

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