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Climate Diplomacy
Publication type: Study
Date: 15-03-2018
Author: Georgios AMANATIDIS | Gonzalo URBINA TREVIÑO
Policy area: Environment | Foreign Affairs
Keyword: UN convention | statistics | EP Committee | climate change policy | EU Member State | international relations | medium-term forecast
Summary: This report summarises the presentations and the discussion that took place at the workshop on Climate Diplomacy held on 20 February 2018 at the European Parliament (EP) in Brussels. It was organised by the Policy Department of the Directorate General for External Policies (DG EXPO) and Policy Department A in the Directorate General for Internal Policies (DG IPOL) at the request of the EP’s Committees on Foreign Affairs (AFET) and on Environment, Public Health and Food Safety (ENVI).

Trade regimes applicable to developing countries
Publication type: EU Fact Sheets
Date: 01-02-2018
Author: Gonzalo URBINA TREVIÑO
Policy area: International Trade
Keyword: generalised preferences | developing countries | import restriction | sustainable development | tariff reduction | least-developed country | human rights
Summary: The EU’s trade, growth and development policy places trade at the centre of development and focuses on the developing countries most in need, as does the Generalised Scheme of Preferences. Economic Partnership Agreements (EPAs) ensure preferential treatment for ACP countries while the Everything But Arms scheme still applies to Least Developed Countries (LDCs). A new EU Aid for Trade strategy, issued in November 2017, is under discussion. The EU continues to support a WTO system that promotes development.

A general survey of development policy
Publication type: EU Fact Sheets
Date: 01-01-2018
Author: Gonzalo URBINA TREVIÑO
Policy area: Development and Humanitarian Aid
Keyword: European External Action Service | humanitarian aid | poverty | ECHO | EU financial instrument | EDF | development aid | human rights
Summary: Development policy lies at the heart of the European Union’s external policies. It aims at eradicating poverty, fostering sustainable growth, defending human rights and democracy, promoting gender equality and tackling environmental and climate challenges. The EU works on a global scale and is the world’s largest development donor. Cooperation with EU Member States and alignment with the United Nations 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development are key to the efficient delivery of aid.

Humanitarian aid
Publication type: EU Fact Sheets
Date: 01-01-2018
Author: Gonzalo URBINA TREVIÑO
Policy area: Development and Humanitarian Aid
Keyword: technical cooperation | ECHO | EU financing arrangements | aid to disaster victims | EDF | emergency aid | general budget (EU) | man-made disaster | international voluntary worker | natural disaster
Summary: Humanitarian aid is an area of EU external action that responds to needs in the event of man-made or natural disasters. The Commission’s Directorate-General for European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations (ECHO) funds relief operations and coordinates Member States’ policies and activities. Parliament and the Council of the EU act as co-legislators in shaping the EU’s humanitarian aid policy and take part in the global debate on more effective humanitarian action.
Africa

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Author Gonzalo URBINA TREVIÑO
Policy area Development and Humanitarian Aid | Foreign Affairs
Keyword regional security | Africa | peacekeeping | economic development | EDF | interparliamentary relations | sustainable development | ACP-EU Convention | trade relations | African Union | human rights
Summary EU-Africa relations are governed by the Cotonou Agreement and the Joint Africa-EU Strategy, which both include political, economic and development dimensions. The EU is working actively to promote peace and security in Africa and engages with the African Union (AU) in various policy dialogues, including on democracy and human rights. Migration has emerged as a core element of Africa-EU relations. The European Development Fund remains the main channel for EU development cooperation in Africa.

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Pacific

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Policy area Foreign Affairs
Keyword development policy | overseas countries and territories | negotiation of an agreement (EU) | climate change policy | Oceania | Pacific Islands Forum | Cotonou Agreement | trade agreement (EU) | trade relations | cooperation agreement (EU)
Summary The EU is the Pacific region’s fifth trading partner, although the volume of trade is small in both absolute and relative terms. In June 2018, it launched negotiations for comprehensive free trade agreements with Australia and New Zealand, which are important economic and trading partners. The EU has a partnership with the 15 Pacific Independent Island Countries (PICs) focused on development, fisheries and climate change, and partnerships with the four Overseas Countries and Territories (OCTs) and the Pacific Islands Forum (PIF).

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