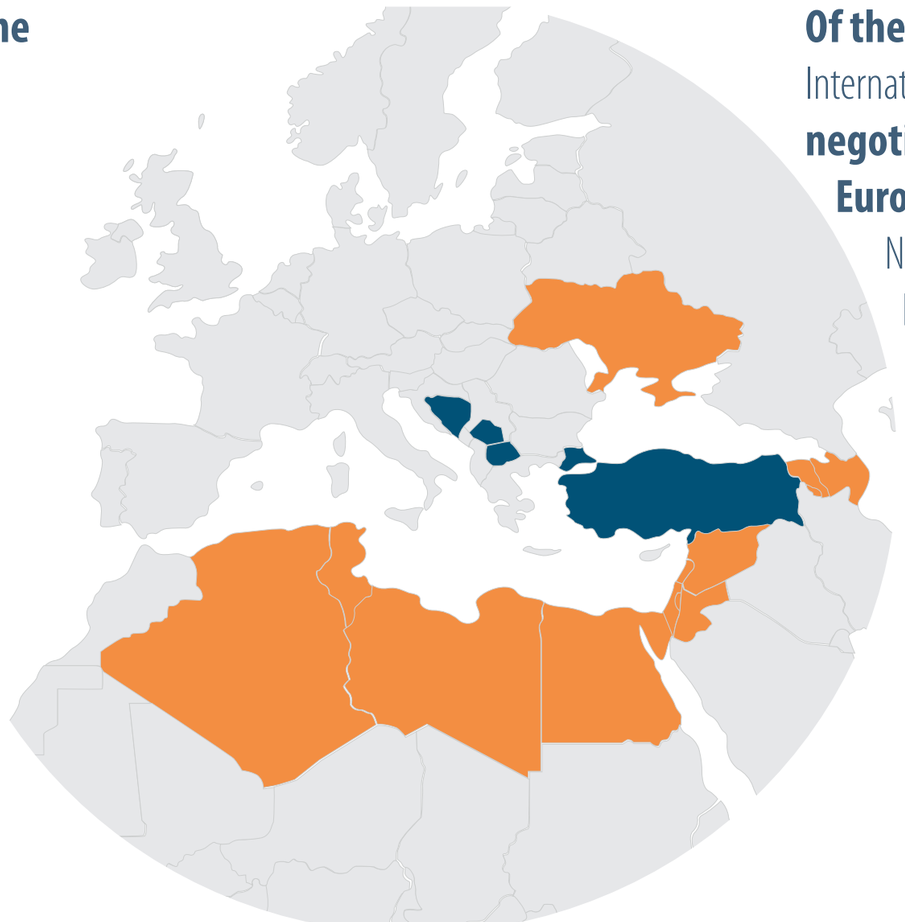
Threats to peace and security in the current global environment

Conflict

- Estimates indicate that, by 2030, **more than 80 % of the world's poorest populations** could be concentrated in countries affected by **fragility, conflict and violence**.
- **Protest activity was 7 % higher** in 2020 than in 2019.
- 2020: **political violence fell 22 %** and state forces participated in **52 % of all political violence**.



Of the 70+ crises in the world monitored by the International Crisis Group, 17 are in countries that are **negotiating their accession to the EU or have a European outlook** (Albania, Kosovo*, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Serbia, Turkey & Bosnia and Herzegovina) or are in countries **covered by the European neighbourhood policy** (Algeria, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Egypt, Georgia, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Palestinian Authority, Ukraine, Syria, Tunisia)

Conflicts highlighted by ICG to keep under observation in 2021:
Libya and **Russia-Turkey**

*All references to Kosovo, whether to the territory, institutions or population, shall be understood in full compliance with UNSC Resolution 1244 and without prejudice to the status of Kosovo.