Migration: Latest challenges

The current crisis on the Poland–Belarus border and renewed attempts by migrants to cross the Channel from France to the United Kingdom have put a new spotlight on the dilemma of how the European Union should deal with refugees escaping repression and poverty in countries such as Iraq, Afghanistan and Syria, and some parts of Africa. In Belarus, authorities have allowed migrants to take flights into the country to purposely transfer them to their borders with the neighbouring EU Member States of Latvia, Lithuania and Poland. Meanwhile, London and Paris are discussing ways to clamp down on migrants’ attempts to cross the Channel. The Turkish and Mediterranean migration routes from Africa to Italy and Spain also remain active.

This note gathers links to the recent publications and commentaries from many international think tanks on migration in Europe and on debates on how to reform its rules.

- Migration crisis on the EU Eastern border: How the EU can protect borders and human rights
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- When security in Europe conflicts with democracy in Poland
  Brookings Institution, November 2021

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  Centre for European Reform, November 2021

- Poland’s many problems and how to solve them
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- Lukashenka is the problem, not the migrants
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