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# Shaping the future direction of EU Internal Security

- A comprehensive approach in responding to changing and complex threats in the field of internal security.
- Integrating all members of society by fighting against poverty, social exclusion and discrimination.
- Respecting fundamental- and human rights.



# Internal security as part of a bigger picture

- Addressing issues such as climate crisis, military threats, natural, scarcity of energy and water resources, population growth and movements, terrorism, infectious diseases and serious and organised crime.
- Social cohesion is the best antidote against hybrid threats that aim to disrupt the stability of our nations. We need to act together in a structured and coordinated way.

# Preventing violent extremism and combatting terrorism

- Terrorism exists and appears in various forms.
- Efforts must be based on comprehensive situational awareness, threat assessments and research data.
- Putting an end to the spread of terrorist content online



# Turning new innovations/technologies into possibilities

- The increasing pace of innovation challenges us to adapt to a rapidly developing technological world.
- Enhancing EU information systems and their interoperability.
- Internal security must keep up with the developments of artificial intelligence and automation.

# A better functioning Common European Asylum System and Improved border security

- Reforming the Common European Asylum System to respond better both during times of ordinary and high migratory pressure
- Promoting legal migration pathways
- Managing our borders more efficiently
- A fully functioning Schengen Area of free movement

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