The EU is following closely the situation of the detained Saudi humanitarian worker Abdulrahman Al Sadhan. The European External Action Service is in contact with Al Sadhan’s family members. Moreover, the EU Delegation to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA) has raised the case with its counterparts in the Saudi Human Rights Commission.

The EU intends to hold the second formal EU – Saudi Arabia Human Rights Dialogue before the end of 2022 in Riyadh. During the first dialogue, the EU raised a number of issues including the situation of women’s rights, individual activists, migrant workers and human rights defenders.

Human Rights were also addressed during the recently held EU – KSA Senior Officials’ Meeting on 8 June 2022. The EU Special Representative for Human Rights is in regular contact with the Saudi Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Head of the Saudi Human Rights Commission, including on individual cases.