

# Migration and asylum awareness society: a duty to inform

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## NEWS

**Bruxelles 2:** news website very well informed on the latest decisions and communications of EU and member-states' officials on migration.

<http://www.bruxelles2.eu>

**The Economist** redaction, "The dangerous migrant road to Europe", October 21<sup>st</sup> 2016, *The Economist* website. Good cartography of the migration roads to Europe with data.

<http://www.economist.com/blogs/graphicdetail/2016/10/daily-chart-13>

**The Economist** redaction, "When it comes to passports, it pays to be German", March 16<sup>th</sup> 2016, *The Economist* website – Business travel section.

Interesting facts about the value of your nationality and a possible track of explanation or at least a necessary link to make with the illegal migration provoked by the administrative blockades of some countries' visas' possibilities.

<http://www.economist.com/blogs/gulliver/2016/03/walk-right>

→ **Germany and Morocco prepare to assume co chairmanship of the Global Forum on Migration and Development for 2017 and 2018** = the EU at the centre of the field of international migration.

## Review of projects and initiatives related to the migration crisis in the EU and its neighbourhood

- ✓ **“4.1 Miles”**: documentary shared by the NY Times, September 28<sup>th</sup> 2016.

→ Short film nominated for 2017 Academy Award.

Will be shown during the **Greek national week of the College of Europe (Bruges), from 6-11 February 2017.**

**Powerful images of the daily life of the coastguards from the Greek island**

[https://www.nytimes.com/2016/09/28/opinion/4-1-miles.html?\\_r=1](https://www.nytimes.com/2016/09/28/opinion/4-1-miles.html?_r=1)

- ✓ **Missing Migrants Project**: infographics & maps of the deadly migration roads <http://missingmigrants.iom.int>
- ✓ **ARTE: Refugees – “An in-depth look at camps” (2014)**: a complete webpage with articles, testimonies, maps and interviews to have a global look at the refugees and migration camps built and that last around the world.

<http://info.arte.tv/en/refugees>

- ✓ **ARTE: “Mineurs isolés, enfants en danger”** – un documentaire de Chiara Zambuchi pour ARTE réalisé en 2016.

→ documentary on isolated minor migrants – available in French or German.

*Une enquête bouleversante sur les très jeunes migrants qui, en nombre croissant, arrivent sur le sol européen et, souvent, y demeurent livrés à eux-mêmes et sans protection.*

<http://www.arte.tv/guide/fr/060214-000-A/mineurs-isoles-enfants-en-danger>

- ✓ **Initiative from the Namur University in Belgium** to support and guide refugees in their ‘new lives’, the learning of the language, the start of a new career.

<https://www.unamur.be/anciens/newsletter/nan3/refugies>

- ✓ **Migration Policy Institute:** Organization originally based in Washington with a channel in Brussels, serving as a research centre on the migration topic

<http://www.migrationpolicy.org/programs/mpi-europe>

- ✓ **Europe External Policy Advisors, « Human trafficking, current migration routes, systematic torture and ill treatment on route », December 7<sup>th</sup> 2016.**

<http://www.eepa.be/?p=1105>.

Article resuming the conference “Migration and asylum: 1000 testimonies of torture en route” that took place in November 2016 in Brussels. Good introduction to other pages and articles on this topic and on the complexity of migration roads in Africa.

- ✓ **Documentary film from Elke Sasses #MYESCAPE**

→ *assesses* the journey that refugees from Afghanistan, Pakistan, Syria and Eritrea chose to undergo, as circumstances in their home-countries have become increasingly unliveable.

*Hundreds of thousands* are leaving their home countries, families and old lives behind, in search of some basic safety and freedom. In some cases, the mobile phone fulfilled the role of a constant companion and became a quintessential tool to facilitate the organisation of ones escape.

*This has lead many to document their experiences.*

<http://www.berlin-producers.com/project/2988/>

- ✓ **« Coordination et initiatives pour réfugiés et étrangers »,** Belgian Facebook page useful, relaying information on migration, including Belgian government’s measures taken and the local initiatives launched in Belgium

<https://www.facebook.com/lecireasbl/>

## CULTURE

- ✓ **Musée sous-marin au large des îles Canaries à la mémoire des migrants morts en Méditerranée**

<http://info.arte.tv/fr/un-musee-sous-marin-en-hommage-aux-refugies>

## REPORTS

« The International Organization for Migration (IOM) estimates that at least 5,400 migrants died or went missing in 2015 globally. Over the last 20 years, it is likely that more than 60,000 migrants have embarked on fatal journeys around the world ». The need and duty to understand those fatal journeys resumed in two much detailed reports (published in books) from the International Organization for Migration :

- ✓ **BRIAN, Tara and Frank Laczko.** « Fatal Journeys Tracking Lives Lost during Migration », International Organization for Migration, [www.iom.int](http://www.iom.int), Geneva, Switzerland 2014.
- ✓ **BRIAN, Tara and Frank Laczko.** « Fatal Journeys Volume II : Identification and Tracing of Dead and Missing Migrants », International Organization for Migration, [www.iom.int](http://www.iom.int), Geneva, Switzerland 2016.

*Detailed report on Irak and more specifically Bagdad's refugees and their admissibility conditions – in French – very useful for legal definitions (international, European and Belgian laws) concerning the refugees' status:*

- ✓ **DELFORGE, Lauranne, Emmanuelle Vinois, Jessica Blomaert** “Les demandeurs d’asile irakiens et en particulier de Bagdad”, Caritas & Coordination et initiatives pour réfugiés et étrangers, [caritasinternational.be](http://caritasinternational.be), décembre 2015-mai 2016.

*Summary by the European Parliament of the **think tank's reports on migration and asylum**, and ideas about how Europe should approach the topic:*

- ✓ **EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT**, “At a glance: what think tank are thinking: The EU and migration”, 30 September 2016.  
[http://www.europarl.europa.eu/RegData/etudes/ATAG/2016/589758/EPRS\\_ATA\(2016\)589758\\_EN.pdf](http://www.europarl.europa.eu/RegData/etudes/ATAG/2016/589758/EPRS_ATA(2016)589758_EN.pdf)

*UN website on migration and development and latest programs*

- ✓ <http://www.un.org/en/development/desa/population/migration/index.shtml>

*International think tank “Global migration group”*

- ✓ <http://www.globalmigrationgroup.org/what-is-the-gmg>

## **EUROPEAN UNION: *what's happening***

### ***Communications & programs***

✓ **European Agenda on Migration**

[http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/home-affairs/what-we-do/policies/european-agenda-migration/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/home-affairs/what-we-do/policies/european-agenda-migration/index_en.htm)

✓ **European Asylum Support Office**

<https://www.easo.europa.eu>

✓ **Bratislava Declaration** – 16.09.2016: conclusions and roadmap of the Bratislava Summit on migration.

✓ **European Commission Press Release** – 18.10.2016 « Progress in the implementation of the Partnership Framework with 3<sup>rd</sup> countries »

[http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release\\_IP-16-3473\\_en.htm](http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_IP-16-3473_en.htm)

### ***Regulations***

#### ***2016: a rich year for the coast-guards and borders' control of the EU***

✓ **RÈGLEMENT (UE) 2016/1624** DU PARLEMENT EUROPÉEN ET DU CONSEIL du 14 septembre 2016 relatif au corps européen de garde-frontières et de garde-côtes, modifiant le règlement (UE) 2016/399 du Parlement européen et du Conseil et abrogeant le règlement (CE) n° 863/2007 du Parlement européen et du Conseil, le règlement (CE) n° 2007/2004 du Conseil et la décision 2005/267/CE du Conseil.

✓ **RÈGLEMENT (UE) 2016/1625** DU PARLEMENT EUROPÉEN ET DU CONSEIL du 14 septembre 2016 modifiant le règlement (CE) no 1406/2002 instituant une Agence européenne pour la sécurité maritime