

12 COMMITMENTS FOR A SUPPORTIVE EUROPEAN MIGRATION POLICY PROMOTING WORLD PEACE

NB :

1/ the document in French can be found at <https://eg-migrations.org/IMG/pdf/elections-ue-engagements.pdf>

2/ The first page of the French document is translated here with Google (so please make the necessary corrections!)

3/ I have translated the 2nd page which lists the 12 commitments.

I have translated the 3 short texts under the agreements – you may wish to create 2 petitions and insert the appropriate links into your document.

First page:

- In 2017, 500 local and national associations write to the President of the Republic to challenge him on the migration policies of France and the EU
- At the beginning of 2018, without any response, they launched, the General States of Migration: 106 Local Assemblies, composed of 1,600 local and national associations, representing several hundreds of thousands of members, have:
 - organized 200 meetings in 76 departments
 - produced 87 notebooks of grievances, deposited in Prefecture to be reassembled to the Government and / or gathered in a national document (editions of Cahier de l'Inacceptable and Cahier of the alternatives).
- On May 27, 2018, the States General of Migrations produce a Manifesto (eg-migrations.org) who:
 - strongly condemns the Asylum and Migration Law,
 - recognizes the relevance of hosting solutions implemented in a civic way in the territories,
 - proposes another migration policy for France and the EU.

The European Union has prevented the war between the European countries. These wars, which over the past century have generated millions of refugees, displaced, exiled, interned. But for 30 years, the European Union, forgetting its own history, has become, through its migration policies, a region of the world that is closed to otherness, which has banned the right to asylum, which favors and finances the worst atrocities in bordering countries (arbitrary detention, private prisons, development of slavery, rapes, mutilations ...).

Where is the memory? What have become of the Europeans themselves?

Migration is one of the consequences of the failure of decolonization, globalization and the strong growth of international inequalities -> The national, European and international solidarities, which characterized the spirit of the EU, are no longer part of his project today -> This leads the European countries and their populations towards racist, selfish, fascistic excesses.

However, Europe is the beneficiary of migration, not Africa or sending countries. Each time, it is the host countries that benefit from positive social, economic, fiscal and cultural impacts. While countries of origin are heavily penalized by the departure of young workers, the brain drain, the local social devitalization ...

FOR PEACE ! The European elections of May 26, 2019 are an opportunity to save Europe, to redefine a humanist and solidarity project, to reduce inequalities and increase world peace.

Everyone has an interest: whether one is a migrant or a European citizen.

For this purpose, the Estates General of Migration ask the candidates to implement, during their entire mandate, the 12 commitments below.

MAY 26, 2019, DO NOT FORGET:

In 1953, the Council of Europe wrote the European Convention on Human Rights (prohibition of slavery and torture, right to education and training, freedom of assembly and expression ... etc.). The European Union today is the one

that must assume the responsibility, before humanity, to make live this declaration, to apply it, to share it every day and everywhere in the world.

For the States General of Migration, the European Union is a Europe of solidarity, humanism, host of global change, open, welcoming. Or, otherwise, she is not.

DEFENDING MIGRANTS IS ALSO SAVING EUROPE

"When we welcome, it goes well.

If we close the door it is ourselves that we shut up.

There are no strangers on the Earth! "

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1/ PROMOTE AND EVENLY FINANCE THROUGHOUT THE EU THE CONDITIONS FOR A DIGNIFIED UNCONDITIONAL WELCOME and for a civic and social integration of the exiles, be they documented or not (lodging, food, clothing, health, language tuition, access to rights and work). We cannot accept the States' strategy of making the migrants' live precarious and worsening their living conditions in order to convince them to go back. This impedes their integration, their access to physical and psychological health and hampers social cohesion

2/ ENSURE PROTECTION, EDUCATION, TUITION TO THE UNACCOMPANIED MINORS AND YOUNG ADULTS arriving in Europe, in the same way as to young Europeans

3/ REPEAL THE DUBLIN REGULATION and allow refugees to freely choose the country where they wish to seek asylum, in accordance to article 13 of the Human Rights Declaration.
Under the Dublin Regulation, asylum seekers must apply for asylum in the country in which they first arrived. By giving greater responsibility to those European countries which have an external border the Dublin regulation takes responsibility away from the North European countries in the refugee management ; this gives rise to conflicts between countries and to extreme right movements.
The Dublin regulation is costly, absurd, inefficient and useless : in 2016 France had to allow in as many refugees deported by other EU countries than it has pushed back.

4/ STOP REPRESSING, DEPORTING AND REINFORCING BORDERS AND PROMOTE LEGAL AND SAFE IMMIGRATION CHANNELS TO EUROPE INSTEAD, so that people can migrate without risking their lives.

5/ ENSURE RESCUING, PROTECTING AND SHELTERING to exiles at risk, in accordance with the international maritime code and the values of mountain rescue.
The internal EU borders must be demilitarized and allow for free movement of persons inside the EU ; at the same time the fight against human trafficking must be reinforced.

6/ PROMOTE UPWARDS HARMONISATION OF THE RIGHT TO ASYLUM to be respected by each country just as they respect the EU democratic principles.

7/ APPROVE AND IMPLEMENT THE «GLOBAL COMPACT FOR SAFE, ORDERLY AND REGULAR MIGRATION» AND RATIFY THE « INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON THE PROTECTION OF THE RIGHTS OF ALL MIGRANT WORKERS AND MEMBERS OF THEIR FAMILIES ».
The EU countries must use them as references and consider them mutual obligation.
They must explain them to their people in order to increase solidarity and fraternity.

8/ IMMEDIATELY END ANY BORDER EXTERNALISATION AGREEMENT in particular with non-democratic countries such as Turkey, Lybia etc... The EU today pays 35 countries so that they keep on their territory

or push back the migrants willing to reach Europe, no matter how these countries do it. All 35 countries put the human rights at high risk and the migrants can report the abuses they have suffered : unofficial camps without basic sanitation, private jails, concentration camps, racketeering, torture to force the families to pay a ransom, etc...

9/ STOP LINKING DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT TO THE ANTI-MIGRANT POLICIES imposed by the EU to the countries of origin. Also stop selling weapons and supporting the population repression in the countries the exiles flee from or cross. Devote these budgets to international development support instead

10/ PROMOTE TRUE AND AMBITIOUS MULTILATERAL POLICIES OF COOPERATION, EDUCATION AND SOLIDARITY, in order to implement the United Nations sustainable development goals, COP 21, and promote training and popular education programs, democratic development, inequality reduction ; only this can reduce the structural factors which cause migrants to leave their country (global warming, corruption, authoritarianism, conflicts, increasing inequality...)

11/ MAKE MIGRATING EASIER AND ENSURE RIGHTS TO THE REFUGEES, whether they migrate because of the climate, of a sanitary crisis or for socioeconomic reasons.
The number of climate refugees by 2050 will be from 200 to 250 millions according to the UNHCR, mainly in Southern countries. The climate and socioeconomic refugees must be protected in so far as they suffer from choices they have not made but have been made by the countries and groups that dominate the global economy.

12/ PROTECT THE INDIVIDUALS WHO SHOW SOLIDARITY with the migrants in the Member countries and in third countries. Abolish the solidarity offence throughout the EU.

[13/ Equal treatment between workers in their workplace no matter their origin, tribe, sex, colour or other characteristics; Protection of their economic and social rights in compliance with European & International Standards; Reform of the Seasonal Workers Directive \(2014/36/EU\) so as to be applicable \(& the phenomena of labour trafficking or exploitative working conditions could be eliminated\); Access to long-term resident status or a comparable right, after consecutive years of seasonal work.](#)

I am a European citizen.

I will be voting on May 26th and I urge the candidates to adopt the 12 commitments above.

I sign the petition :

https://www.petitions24.net/signatures/je_suis_citoyen_europeen_je_demande_aux_candidats_dadopter_les_12_engagements_pour_une_europe_solidaire_et_fraternelle

I am a candidate to the European elections of May 26th 2019.

My name is :

I live in : (region)

. I am committed to building a dignified European Union, which will welcome the exiles

. I undertake to scrupulously implement the 12 commitments above during my whole term

Location :

Date :

Signature :

To be returned to the closest EGM local group or to EGM address

Please help us circulate these commitments net page 'I am a candidate' at

http://www.egmigrations.org/je_suis_citoyen_europeen_je_mengage_a_agir_pour_une_europe_solidaire_et_fraternelle
publish them on your social networks

- Download the 4-page document : European elections, the argument (the pitch)
- The tools and the mobilisation kit can be found at egmigrations.org

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