

INVITATION

19 April 2023

12.45 pm
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**Online
Policy Dialogue**

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Migration and Asylum - Towards a joint European response?

Topic I - New structures and strategies for unresolved challenges

Since the presentation of the “New pact on migration and asylum” in September 2020, only a few steps have been made forward towards a compromise on a more equitable sharing of responsibilities and burdens in migration management between the Member States. Although some progress has been made at strategic level, implementation is often still lacking in practice. The main responsibility for this policy area still lies with the member states, whose different approaches and expectations, however, make agreement difficult. Meanwhile, with the Russian war in the Ukraine and other worldwide crises, illegal border crossings are on the rise again. Due to persistent bottlenecks at all levels of procedures, Member States and in particular local entities find it more and more difficult to cope with the increasing pressure; and new tensions are arising also at political and diplomatic level.

We cordially invite you to this kick-off session to take stock of progress and identify the most important current challenges for the European Institutions and the Member States. How can we advance the implementation of accepted measures? How can we achieve more understanding and solidarity between Member States? And how can new structures, such as the new European Agency for Asylum, support the Member States more effectively?

Programme

Welcome:

Markus FERBER MEP, Coordinator of the EPP Group in the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs in the European Parliament, Chairman of the Hanns Seidel Foundation

Dr. Loredana TEODORESCU, Head of EU and International Affairs, Luigi Sturzo Institute

Introductory statements (5 minutes each):

Natasha BERTAUD, Deputy Head of Cabinet, Vice-President Schinas, European Commission

Jeroen LENAERS MEP, EPP- Coordinator in the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs; Vice-Chair of the Delegation for relations with the Mashreq countries, European Parliament

Nina GREGORI, Executive Director, European Union Agency for Asylum (EUAA)

Policy dialogue session:

Chair: **Dr. Loredana TEODORESCU**, Head of EU and International Affairs, Luigi Sturzo Institute

End of Conference

Conference language is English. – This policy dialogue is held under Chatham house rule.

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