

GCM – 4TH round of negotiations:

In-depth discussion on International Cooperation

On behalf of 27 EU Member States:

- *Enhanced international cooperation is vital to make migration safe, orderly and regular; development cooperation is one important aspect of this cooperation, therefore we increased our financial support substantially over the past years.*
- *However, international cooperation in the GCM must reflect 360 degree view on migration, i.e. it must also include international cooperation on return, fighting trafficking/smuggling, border management, etc.*
- *We suggest the following additional paragraph under "Unity of Purpose" that makes clear why enhanced international cooperation on migration is needed (see below).*
- *The suggested paragraph is derived from the current draft of the GCM and captures the overall purpose of all of the 22 objectives. It builds on recommendations from the GFMD 2016, the Secretary-General's report Making Migration Work for All, and the Sutherland Report:*

(12bis) We recognize that this will require improved international cooperation towards addressing the drivers of irregular migration; protecting the human rights, safety and wellbeing of migrants, including in times of crisis, and improving the integration of regular migrants; facilitating safe, orderly and regular migration; reducing irregular migration, including by preventing and combatting trafficking and smuggling and facilitating returns; and enhancing the positive development effects of regular migration.