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CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES OF POPULATION DYNAMICS AND MIGRATION



The demographic transition is the third transition shaping the future of Europe after the green and digital transitions. In the coming years, the European Union (EU) will have to address the impacts of ageing, demographic decline and labour market shortages. It needs an efficient migration management system. The EU's capacity to provide opportunities for all segments of society, from children and young people to the elderly and other vulnerable groups such as migrants, will be fundamental for promoting positive change. To do this, population dynamics, demographic change and migration need to be better understood.

The portfolio aims to:

Analyse EU and global population dynamics and their impact on various EU policy areas, including growth, employment, education, environment and health

Contribute to achieving an effective migration management system in the EU and deepen migration partnerships with third countries

Promote a more accurate and less polarised narrative on migration, based on evidence and data

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Delivering on anticipation, integration and impact of EU policies:

- ▶ developing tools to anticipate and monitor population movements and to adapt migration policy to new realities in a managed and sustainable way, in full respect of human rights,
- ▶ providing the Commission with evidence and data to address challenges of irregular migration, to secure legal migration pathways, design better integration policies for migrants and refugees, and deepen migration partnerships with third countries,
- ▶ improving the understanding of global population trends, their determinants and the opportunities that these demographic dynamics represent for different policy areas,
- ▶ making sense of scientific evidence and data to help translate it into more accurate and meaningful narratives on migration, and supporting evidence-driven communication on migration policy and on demographic change.

Time frame:

The portfolio has a **short- and medium-term perspective**, supporting current initiatives under the New Pact for Migration and Asylum, whose implementation goes beyond the current Commission mandate. The portfolio will also support the ongoing initiatives on demography and democracy.

Main partners:

Partner DGs

AGRI, CLIMA, ECFIN, ECHO, EEAS, EMPL, ESTAT, HOME, INTPA, NEAR, REFORM, REGIO, RTD, SG

Selected stakeholders

ICMPD, IIASA, OECD, UNDESA

Population dynamics

Demographic change

Migration

Migration management

Asylum

Climate-related displacement

Legal pathways

Integration

Economic growth

Employment

Social policies

Inequality

Intergenerational justice

Development

Narrative

International partnerships

Ageing

Silver economy

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