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The Stockholm Programme

- New five-year programme in area of freedom, security and justice (2010-2014)
- Planned adoption by the European Council on 10-11 December
- Migration, asylum and fight against trafficking key issues



The Stockholm Programme

- Main priority for Swedish Presidency:
- Forward-looking and comprehensive European migration and asylum policy framework based on solidarity among EU Member States and true partnerships with countries of origin and transit



Legal migration and migration & development

- Labour migration
- EU's Global Approach to Migration
- Efficient, secure and low-cost remittance transfers
- Involve diaspora groups
- Level of rights comparable to those of EU citizens
- Common visa policy



Asylum policy

- Common European Asylum System (CEAS)
- EU resettlement scheme
- European Asylum Support Office (EASO)



Other priorities

- Prevent and combat illegal immigration
- Effective and sustainable return policy
- Action plan on unaccompanied minors



"Labour Migration and its Development Potential in the Age of Mobility"

Malmö, 15-16 October







"Towards Global EU Action against Trafficking in Human Beings"

Brussels, 19-20 October





Seminar on practical cooperation on asylum and protection issues

Stockholm, October 29-30







The Lisbon Treaty

- Enter into force on December 1st
- Development of common EU policies for both asylum and immigration
- Qualified majority voting
- Powers of European Parliament further extended