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World Refugee Day

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Thon Hotel EU, Rue de la Loi / Wetstraat 75, 1040 Brussels, Belgium

Workshop Number: 3 Room: Netherlands I + II

Time: 11.00-13.00

Title	Untangling the EU's migration partnerships with third countries
Organiser	European Council on Refugees and Exiles (ECRE)
Objectives	 Understand the EU's current approach to migration partnerships with third countries. Discuss the impacts of this approach on migrants and refugees. Identify challenges relating to the approach, with a particular focus on the transparency, governance and implementation of the various partnerships.
Facilitator	Sylvain Mossou – Head of Advocacy, ECRE
Speakers	 Dr Jean-Pierre Cassarino – Visiting Professor, College of Europe & Research Associate, Research Institute on the Contemporary Maghreb (IRMC) Rima Hassan – Member of the European Parliament Dr Hassan Ould Moctar – Writer, researcher and consultant Hélène Soupios-David – Director for Advocacy and International Affairs, France terre d'asile
Format	Following the speakers' initial presentations, there will be a facilitated discussion to which all participants will be invited to contribute.
Description	The EU's approach to migration partnerships with third countries is multifaceted, involving financial incentives, technical support, and strict border management measures.
	In a recent joint letter, several EU member states urged the European Commission to collaborate in identifying, developing and proposing new solutions to prevent irregular migration to Europe. Among these potential solutions is the establishment

	of partnerships with key countries situated along migratory routes, inspired by the EU-Turkey Statement and the EU-Tunisia Memorandum of Understanding.
	This workshop will make use of a number of country case studies to examine the EU's approach to migration partnerships with third countries, including their mechanisms, impacts, and related challenges.
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