

# The state of the art on the EU legislation on Migration

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# Main pieces of legislation

- Lisbon Treaty, 2009 → binding (Parliament co-legislator with Council)
- June 2014 strategic guidelines → non binding
- **European Agenda on Migration, 2015 → TURNING POINT**
- Global approach to migration and mobility, 2011 → framework
- New Pact on Migration and Asylum → work in progress
- EU Blue Card Directive 2009/2011 rev → only for high skilled workers (Consilium)
- Action Plan on Integration and Inclusion 2021-2027 → framework



# On which topics EU rules?

## Regular immigration

The EU is competent to lay down the conditions governing

- regular entry and legal residence in MS
- Family reunification
- Third country nationals



# On which topics EU rules?

## Integration (and inclusion)

- Incentives and support to MS to promote inclusion of legally residents TCNs
- No provision for the harmonisation of national laws and regulations





# On which topics EU rules?

## Combatting irregular immigration

- Prevent and reduce irregular immigration
- Return policy in the respect of fundamental human rights



# On which topics EU rules?

## Readmission agreements

- Conclude agreements with third countries for the readmission to their country of origin (or provenance) for those TCNs who do not (longer) fulfil the conditions for entry/presence/residence in a MS





# What is in for LRGs?

- New Pact on Migration and Asylum → request of a more effective multilevel governance
- Action Plan on Integration and Inclusion → clearly states the importance of LRGs in the inclusion process



# What CEMR has done so far?

- CEMR, Eurocities consulted before the release of the Action Plan on Integration and Inclusion in 2020
- CEMR strategic positioning on migration and inclusion topics towards the Commission → reliable partner to inform about the needs, challenges of LRGs and to propose EFFECTIVE strategies



# What CEMR has done so far?

- Task Force on Migration and Integration (since 2013)
- 2015 resolution on the refugee crisis
- Inclusion Partnership, Urban Agenda for EU
- 2022 resolution on the role of LRGs in the new EU legislative framework
- Inclucities project

# Future steps

- Strengthen CEMR position towards the EU institutions being the strategic point of reference for LRGs' needs, request and plans
- Continue the commitment with the Urban Agenda for EU
- Grow a strong policy-advising role on migration and inclusion fed by the experiences of its members in the projects and in the expert groups/task forces
- Boost the collaboration between its member organizations through projects and joint activities

