

## **€30.5 billion worth of EU development cooperation to come on stream following entry into force of 11<sup>th</sup> European Development Fund**

The 11<sup>th</sup> [European Development Fund \(EDF\)](#) came into force today. In a [joint statement](#) issued by High Representative / Vice-President Federica **Mogherini** and Commissioner for International Cooperation and Development Neven **Mimica**, this event was highlighted as a cornerstone of the EU's international cooperation and development policy that concretely implements the EU's partnership and dialogue with African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) countries under the [ACP-EU Cotonou Agreement](#). The EDF also covers cooperation with the Overseas Countries and Territories (OCTs) as laid down in the Overseas Association Decision. *(for more information: Catherine Ray – Tel.: +32 229 69921; Sharon Zarb – Tel.: +32 229 92256)*