



EUROPEAN UNION

SENEGAL

ACTION AND PROGRESS UNDER THE MIGRATION PARTNERSHIP FRAMEWORK

JUNE 2016 - MARCH 2017

The EU has a long history of supporting Senegal, particularly in the areas of security, trade, fisheries and development. Senegal is a trusted partner of the European Union and we engage in a strong dialogue on migration. This cooperation has been strengthened under the Partnership Framework, with Senegal being a priority country. It is a beneficiary country of the EU's Emergency Trust Fund for Africa. Senegal plays a constructive role in the Rabat and the Valletta processes, including most recently in the preparation of the Malta Senior Officials Meeting. Co-operation under the various pillars of the joint Valletta action plan is progressing well.



HIGH LEVEL ENGAGEMENT

2016

December >> Visit of the President of Senegal to France.

November >> Visit of French Minister of Foreign Affairs.

>> Visit of Minister of Foreign Affairs of Italy.

October >> State visit of the President of Senegal to Poland.

>> Participation of Commissioner Mimica at the regional conference on migration in Dakar.

>> Visit of Minister of Interior of France.

September >> United Nations General Assembly bilateral meetings, several EU Member States.

August >> Visit of Minister for Economic Cooperation and Development of Germany.

July >> Visit of Commissioner Avramopoulos.



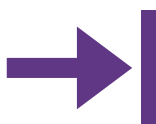
KEY PROGRESS BY SENEGALESE AUTHORITIES

- >> Bilateral cooperation with Italy, through sensitisation mission in December.
- >> Negotiations with the European Border and Coast Guard Agency on improved working arrangements launched.
- >> Focal Points for Identification identified in relevant ministries.



EU SUPPORT

- >> Four projects under the EU Trust Fund for Africa adopted in December 2016, to support reintegration, job creation, and a biometric national registry system.
- >> Senegal benefits from the regional project supporting the internal security services of six Sahel countries.



NEXT STEPS

- >> Follow up missions undertaken, ensuring the effective return of identified irregular migrants.
- >> Improve day to day cooperation for both identification and issuance of travel documents.
- >> Finalise and sign by mid-2017 working arrangements between Senegal and the European Border and Coast Guard Agency.
- >> On the basis of results achieved step up cooperation in other areas including border management.