

THE EU AS A GLOBAL ACTOR

MISSION

The European Union and its Member States are engaged around the world to promote peace, security and prosperity and the interests of European citizens. To this end, the EU works to prevent and resolve conflicts, to foster resilient democracies, to promote human rights and sustainable development, and to bolster a cooperative and rules-based global order.

STRATEGIC COMPASS



The Strategic Compass provides a shared assessment of EU's strategic environment, brings greater coherence in the area of **security and defence** and sets out new ways and means to defend the security of EU citizens and our Union.

IN FIGURES

TRADE 14.6%

The European Union accounts for 14.6% of world imports and exports.

DEVELOPMENT AID €70.2 billion

The EU is the world's #1 provider of development assistance, together with its Member States investing more than the rest of the world combined, amounting to €70.2 billion in 2021.

HUMAN RIGHTS 6600

In 2022, 6600 human rights defenders received EU support.

HUMANITARIAN AID €1.7 billion

The EU and its Member States are the world's #1 donor of humanitarian aid, granting in 2023 €1.7 billion to provide millions of people with emergency food, shelter, education and healthcare in over 110 countries with the biggest share going to sub-Saharan Africa.

CLIMATE CHANGE €23.4 billion

In 2021, €23.4 billion were committed by the EU together with its Member States to support developing countries in reducing their greenhouse gas emissions and adapting to the impacts of climate change.

GLOBAL GATEWAY Up to €300 billion

Global Gateway is Europe's strategy to better connect the world. It mobilises up to €300 billion in investments in global infrastructure between 2021 and 2027 and supports the green and digital transitions around the world. It has 5 investment priorities: Digital, Climate and Energy, Transport, Health, Education and Research.

COVID-19 €40 billion

Since the outbreak of COVID-19 in early 2020, Team Europe has disbursed €40 billion in support to partner countries in addressing the pandemic. The EU has exported over 1.4 billion doses vaccines to more than 150 countries, and Team Europe has shared more than 407 million doses.

EUROPEAN PEACE FACILITY

The EPF supports partners, prevents conflicts, builds peace, and strengthens international security. With €7.9 billion the EPF enhances the EU's geopolitical position as a global security and defence actor by:

- providing lethal and non-lethal equipment to partners
- financing peace support operations led by international and regional organisations
- providing equipment to complement EU training
- supporting African-led Peace Support Operations with €730 million (2021-2024)

OUR PRINCIPLES



Together we are stronger and can achieve more. Our shared interests can only be served by standing and acting together.



Engagement

In a globalised world, the only way to seize opportunities and address challenges is engagement with our partners, for better rules and shared solutions.



Responsibility

Engagement goes with responsibility to bring about positive change. We act globally to address the root causes of conflict and poverty and to champion human rights.



Partnership

Where others might seek conflict, we look for cooperation. In times of global disorder, building win-win solutions is difficult but necessary.

THE EUROPEAN EXTERNAL ACTION SERVICE

EU's Diplomatic Service

MISSION

The EEAS is the European Union's diplomatic service. It carries out the Union's Common Foreign and Security Policy to promote peace, development, security, and the interests of European citizens around the world. It is led by the High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy.

145 EU DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATIONS AROUND THE WORLD



IN FIGURES

6000+ Staff in EEAS headquarters + EU Diplomatic Representations

nearly

national diplomats

are seconded from Member State ministries to the EEAS.

Women

The EU is a **security provider**, with 5000+ soldiers, police and special advisers deployed across 3 continents in 21 civilian and military missions and operations to prevent conflicts and build peace.

EU Special Representatives

promoting the EU's policies and interests in specific regions and countries and playing an active role in efforts to consolidate peace, stability and the rule of law.

Since 2000 over

Election Observation Missions have been deployed in more than 75 countries to strengthen and support



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Cooperation

1960

First coordination

foreign ministers

Economic Community

1970

meetings of European Maastricht establishes

Member States harmonise their foreign policies through European Political The Treaty of Amsterdam establishes the Office of High Representative for the Common Foreign and Security Policy

The External Action Service officially starts functioning

2011

1992

The Treaty of

the Common Foreign

and Security Policy

1997

2009

The Treaty of Lisbon creates the External Action Service and the post of High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy / Vice President of the European Commission

The European External Action Service turns 10

2021



THE EU **ASA GLOBAL ACTOR**



Josep Borrell is the High Representative of the EU for Foreign and Security Policy as well as

Vice-President of the European Commission. As the EU's chief diplomat, he chairs the monthly meetings of Foreign Ministers from the EU Member States and also heads the European Defence Agency.



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Stefano Sannino is the Secretary General of the EEAS. He oversees and provides strategic direction to the work of the

service, and ensures an effective coordination on foreign policy between headquarters and the EU diplomatic representations, with the EU institutions, with his Member States counterparts and with third countries.



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