

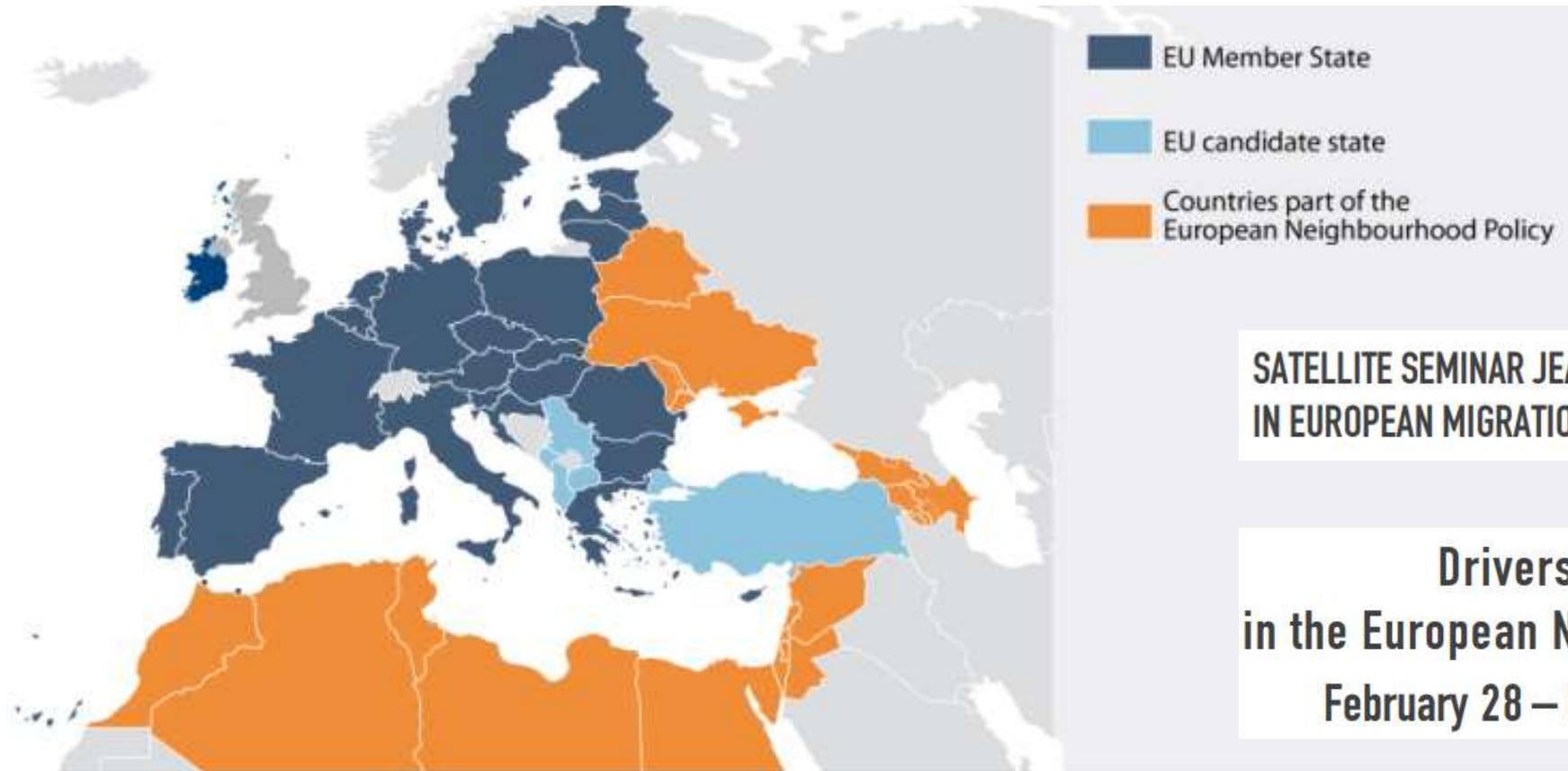


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**Drivers of migration and migration governance in the Mediterranean**

# DRIVERS OF MIGRATION *in* THE MEDITERRANEAN

## **Structural causes (South Med)**

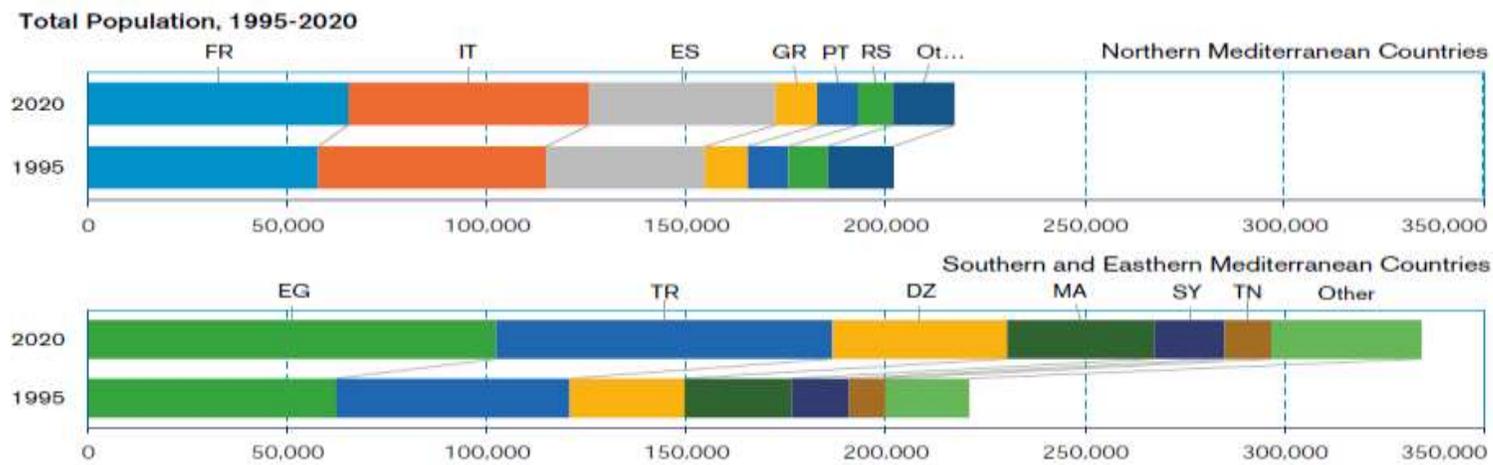
- Demographic transition
- Income inequalities  
(wage differential more than unemployment)
- Climate change?
  - Migration, climate change and development
  - Rural exodus (largely internal migration) rather than climate change

## **Structural causes (North Med)**

- Labour demand in Europe
- Differences in refugee protection regimes

## **Conjunctural causes**

- Drought → urbanization
- Economic crisis (COVID-19)
- Famine, Inflation (Ukraine war)
- Conflicts (Syria)

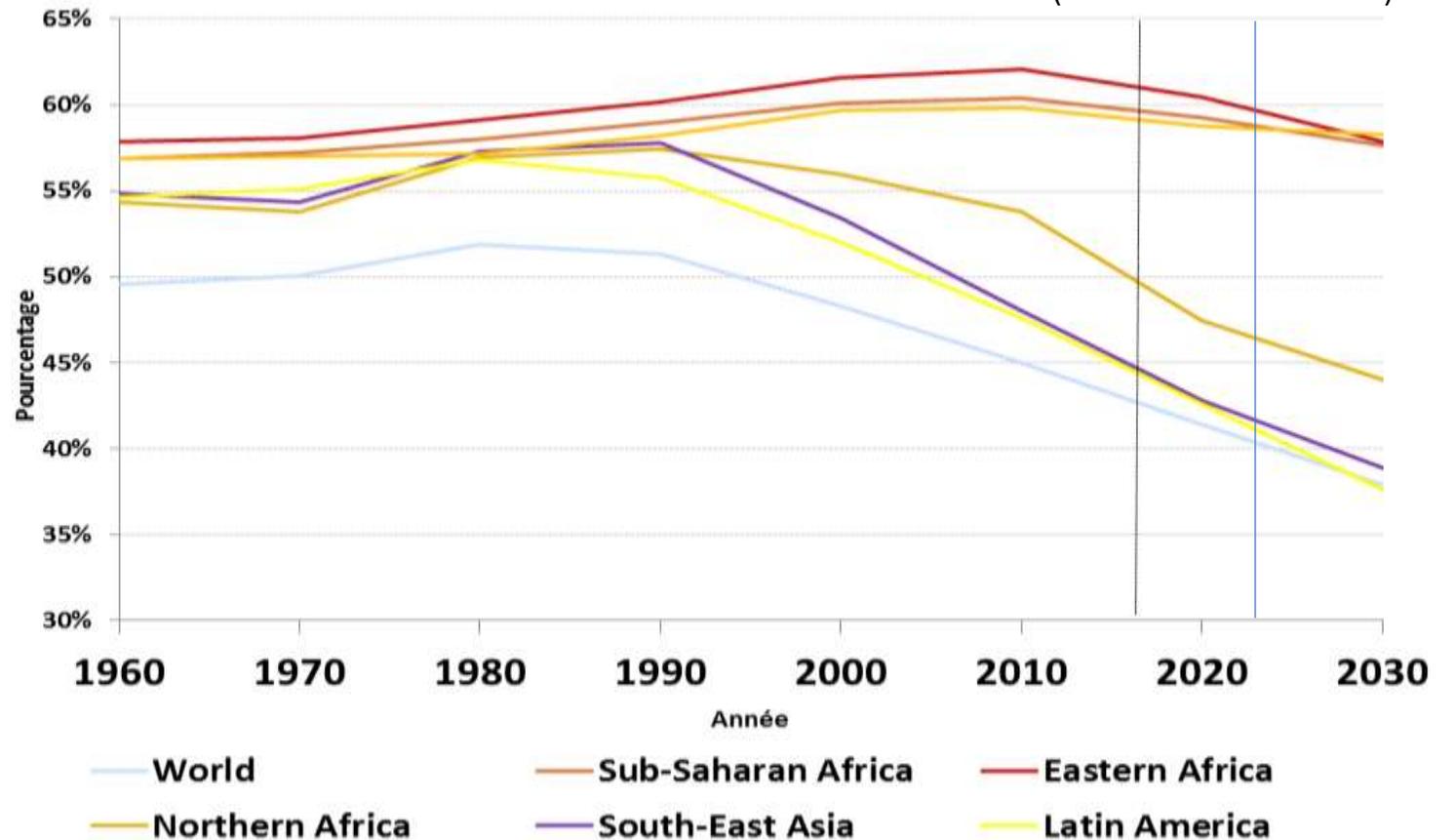


(Source: UN DESA)

## DEMOGRAPHIC TRANSITION

Youth 15-34 in % of +15 population, main regions of the world, 1960-2030:

66 million more young people than world average, 1,5 mill. more working age youth every year



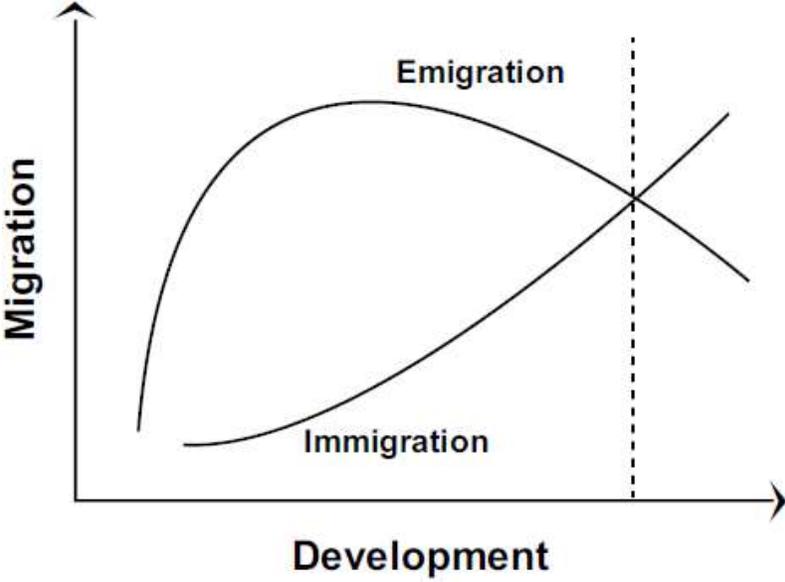
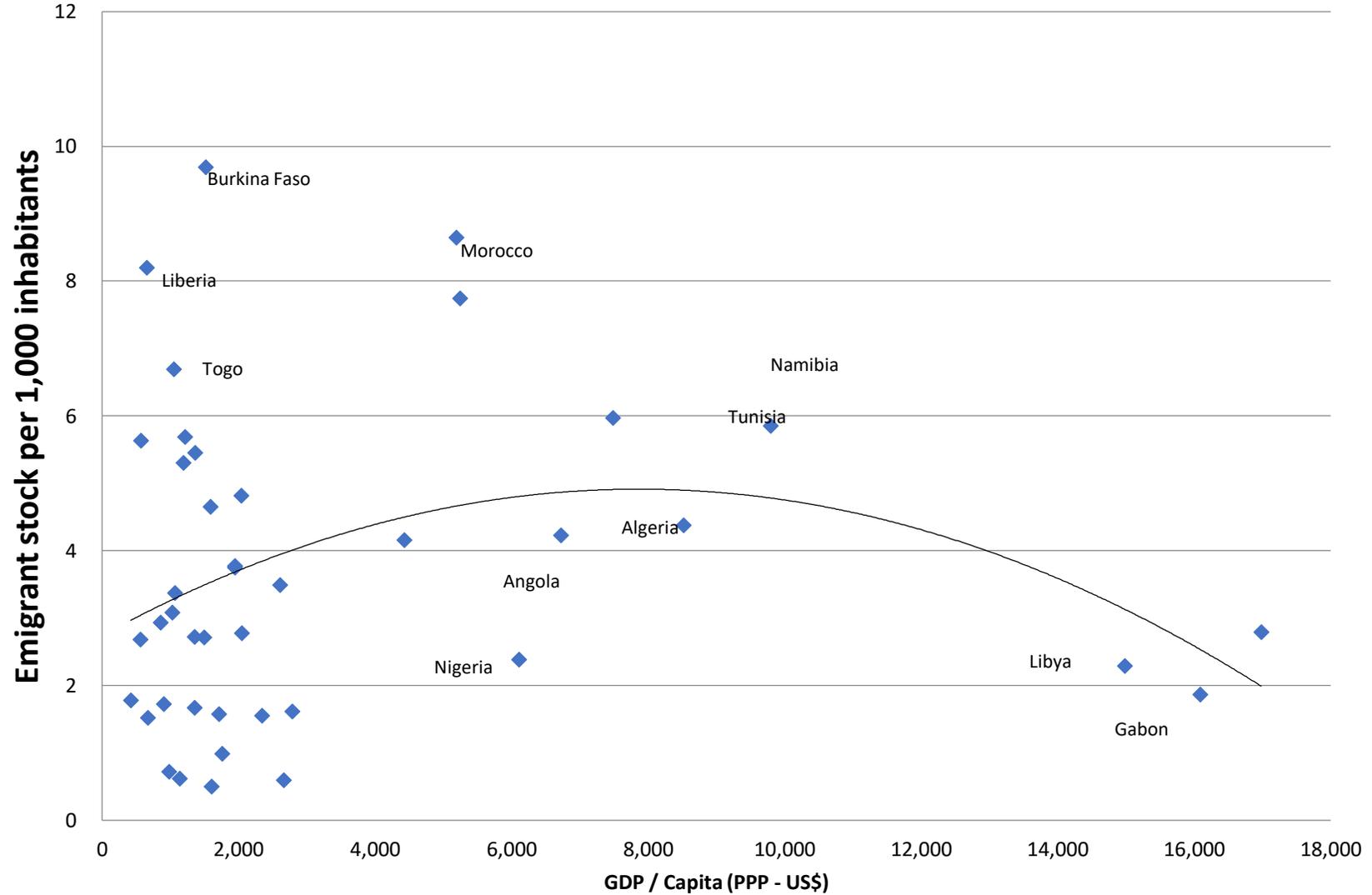
## Ratio of GDP per capita with Euro area PPP (current international \$)

	1990	1995	2000	2008	2015	2020	2021	2021 GDP
<b>Euro Area</b>	17005	20437	25315	35713	41035	47122	50758	50758
<b>Morocco</b>	6,60	6,99	7,01	6,06	5,35	5,92	5,73	8853
<b>Algeria</b>	2,44	2,86	2,97	2,81	3,40	4,12	4,19	12128
<b>Tunisia</b>	4,56	4,42	4,09	3,63	3,92	4,46	4,50	11282
<b>Egypt</b>	4,67	4,72	4,54	4,26	3,77	3,93	3,99	12706
<b>Türkiye</b>	2,01	1,99	2,67	2,24	1,62	1,73	1,65	30737
<b>Africa</b>								
<b>Western/Central</b>	9,37	10,89	11,83	11,45	11,73	13,01	13,22	3839
<b>Africa East/South</b>	9,73	11,26	12,32	10,97	10,07	11,29	11,51	4409

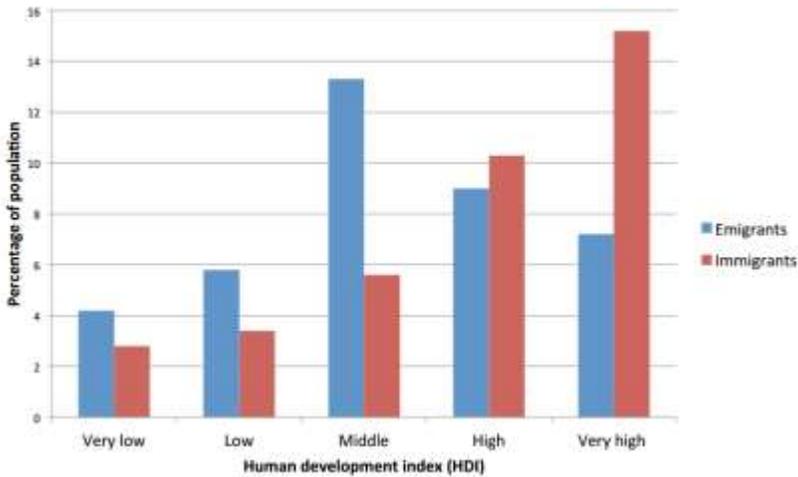
Source: world Development indicators

- North-South convergence and world economic order
- International Trade and cooperation models

## GDP and emigration in Africa countries, 2013



The developmental drivers of migration



All countries except Seychelles, Cape Vert, Mauritius, Comoros, Sao Tome & Principe, Lesotho, South Africa and Guinée Equatorial

# GOUVERNANCE OF MIGRATION *across* THE MEDITERRANEAN: CHALLENGES AND POLICY RESPONSES

## Southern and Eastern Med countries

- **Emmigration**

- Brain drain → laissez faire;  
real problem in specific sectors in MO, TU, DZ
- Remittances → macroeconomic stabilization, no mainstreaming
- Diaspora/Return → social/cultural/political (MO, TU, TR)  
→ promoting return of skilled migrants

- **Transit migration**

- Border control/irregular migration → Irregularity (legal limbus)
- Vulnerabilities/Humanitarian assistance → outsourcing to intern. organizations

- **Immigration (DZ, TR, TU, MO)**

- Labour immigration → Irregularity, no integration  
(the special case of Morocco)
- Asylum → “Non-accueil”

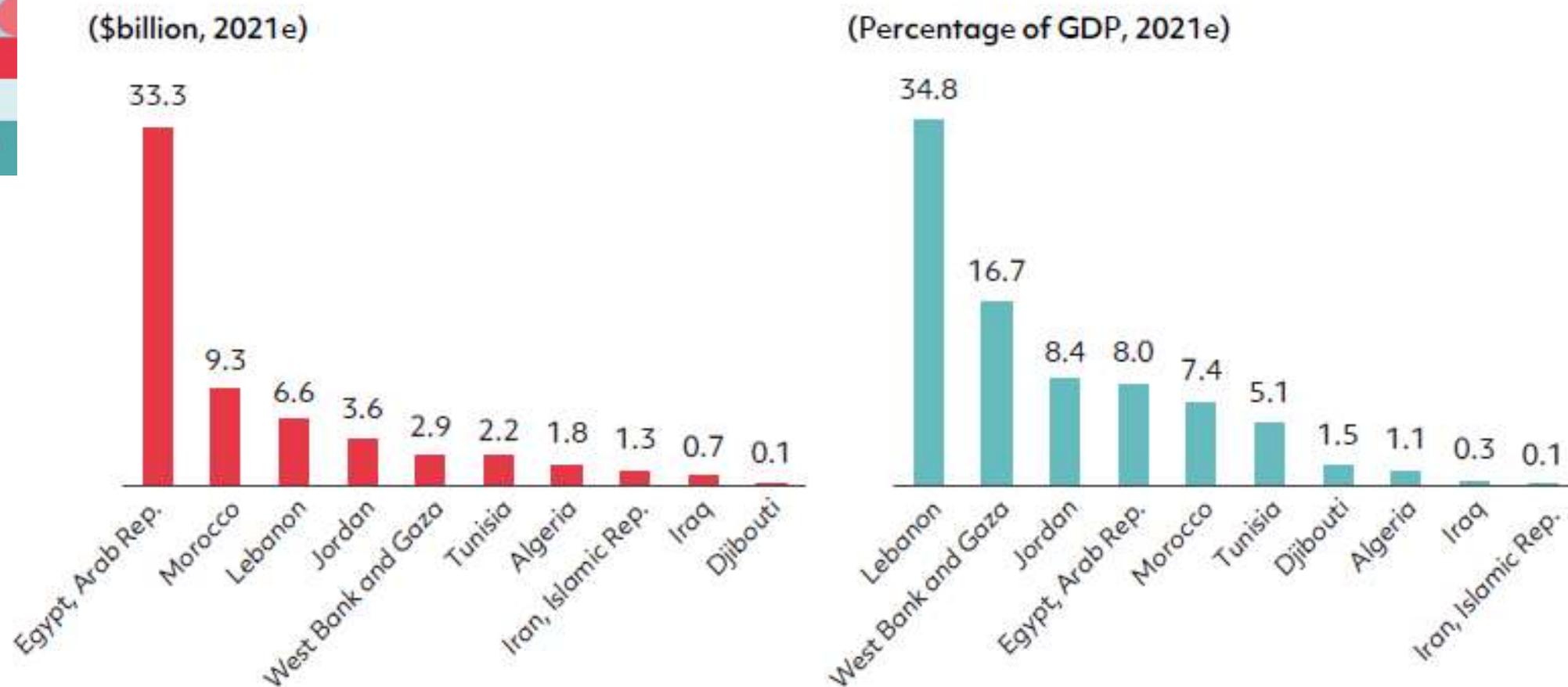
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## Med European countries

- Lack of single EU migration policy
    - Free movement of persons (Schengen) → Dysfunctions
    - Incomplete single EU labour market
    - Different asylum regimes
  - Irregular flows (Mediterranean routes or African routes?)
    - Border control → Securitization
    - Refugees/Economic migrants → Undermining of EU values and human Rights of migrants
  - European cooperation
    - Lack of solidarity (money for refugees) → Funds
    - Externalization
  - Labour demand → Labour migration policy → Brain drain
  - Politization → Irrational migration policies
  - Humanitarian issues: unaccompanied minors, refugees
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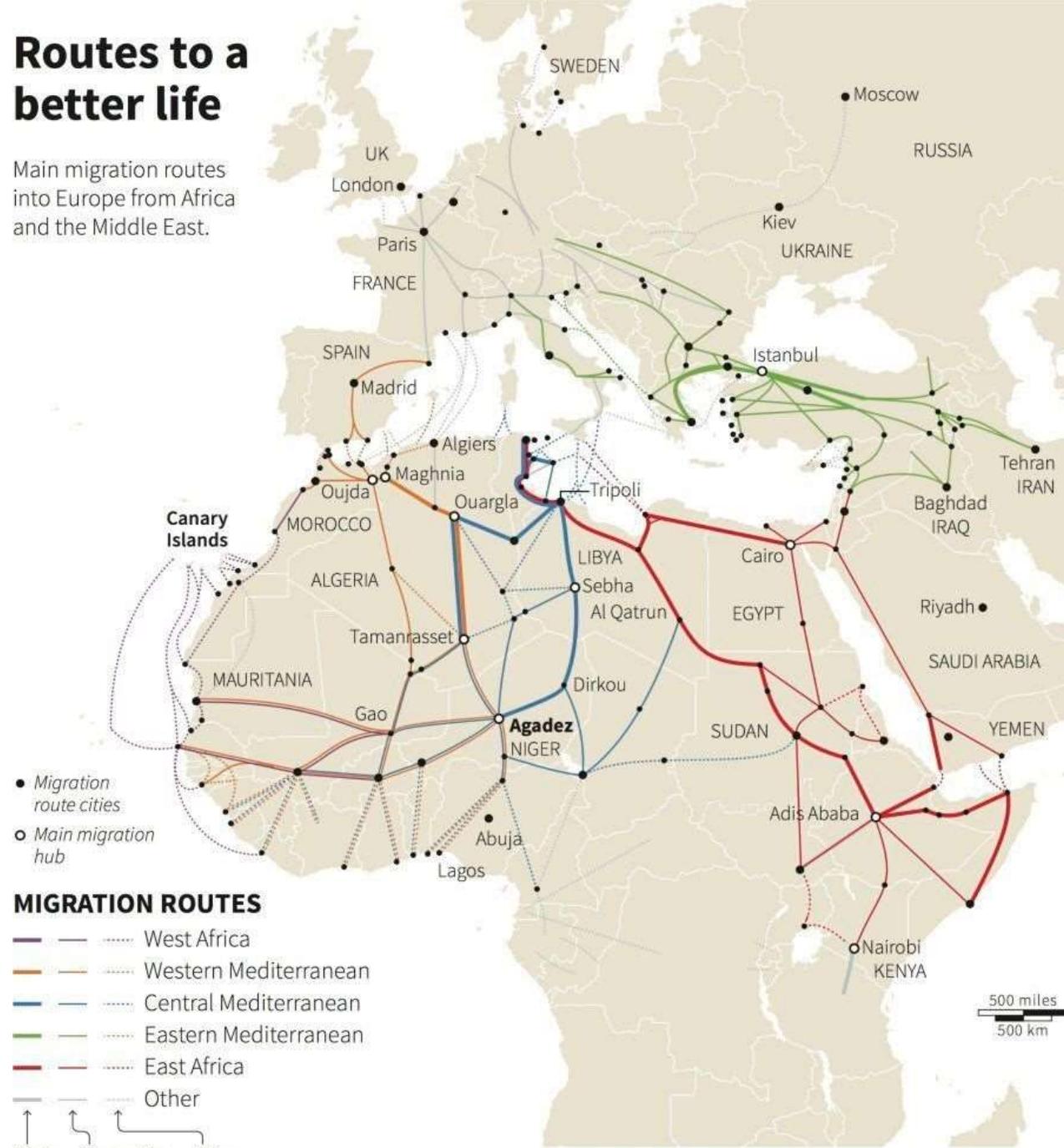
**Figure 4.16** Top Remittance Recipients in the Middle East and North Africa, 2021



Sources: World Bank-KNOMAD staff estimates; World Development Indicators; IMF Balance of Payments Statistics.

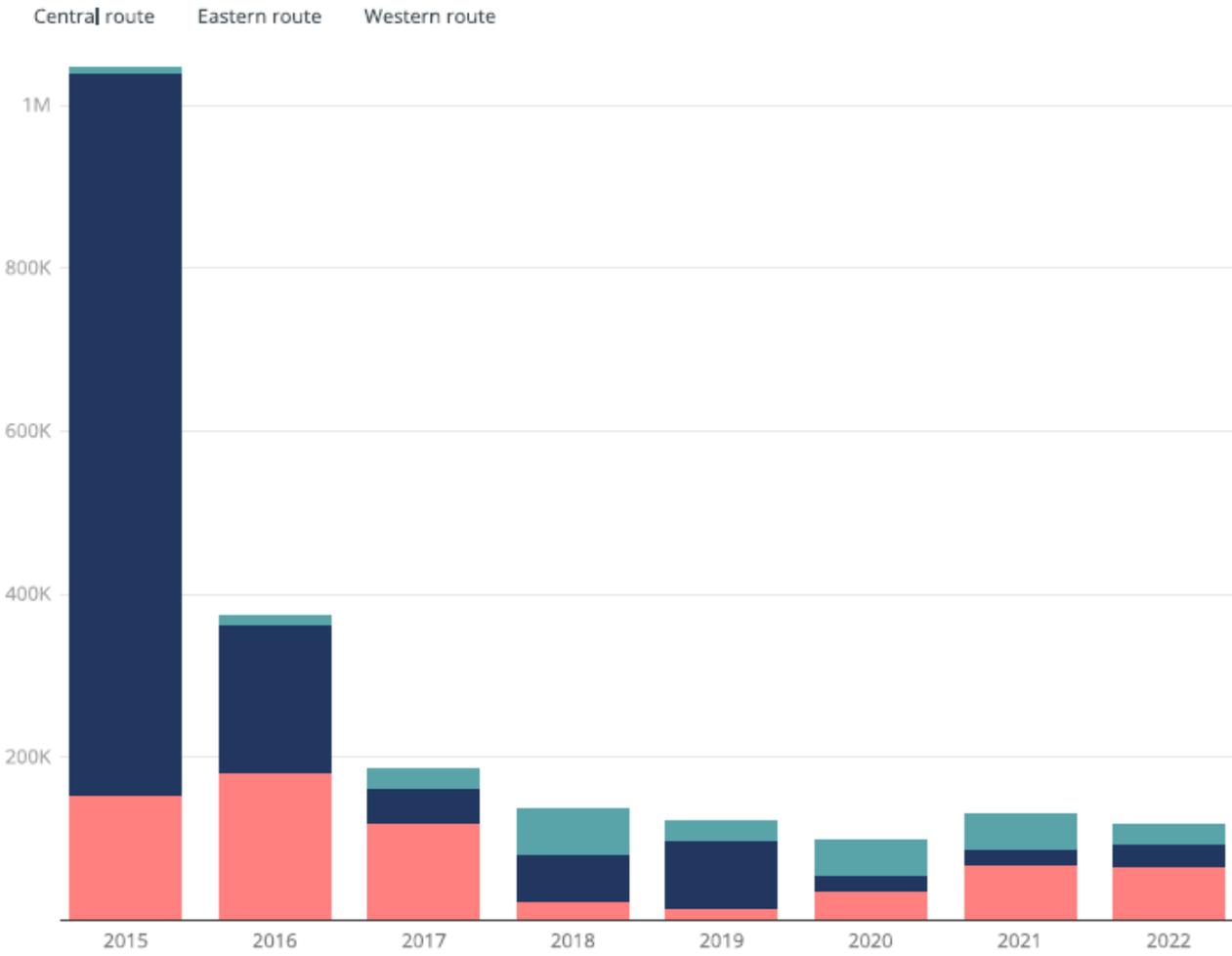
# Routes to a better life

Main migration routes into Europe from Africa and the Middle East.

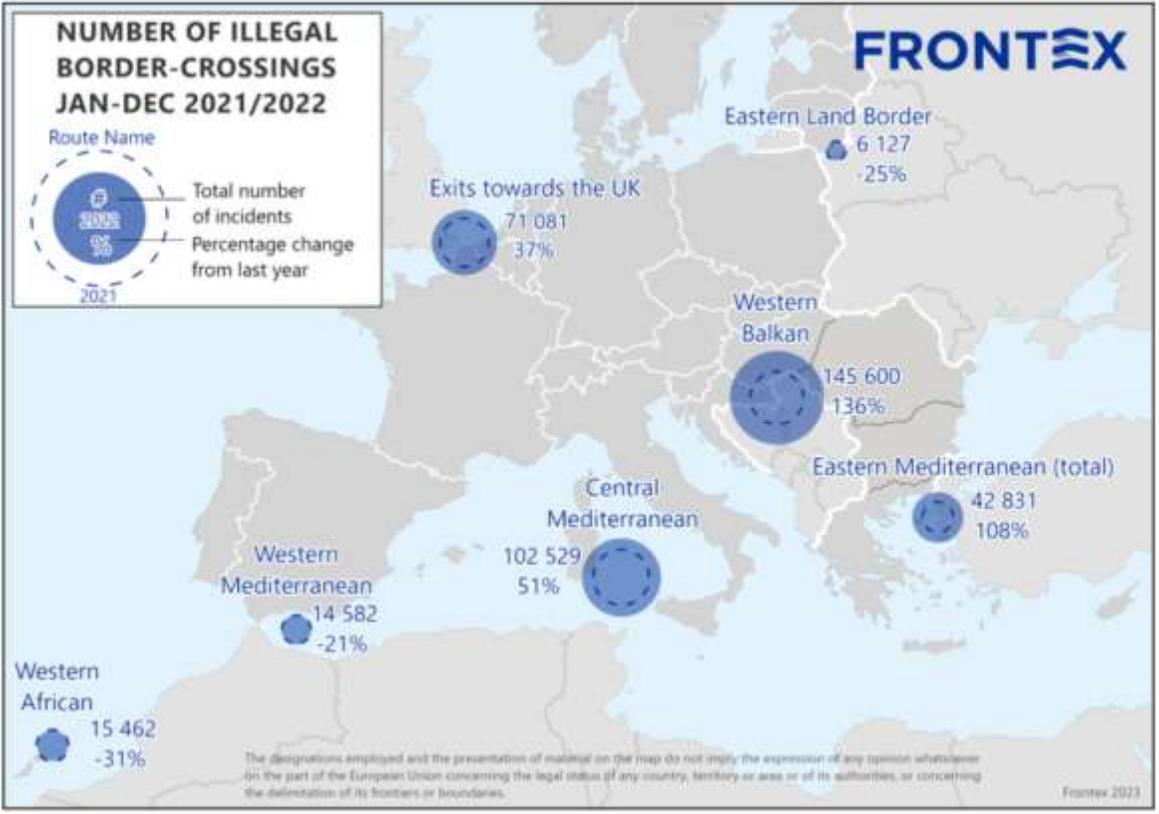


# Yearly irregular arrivals (2015-2022)

Data up to September 2022. Western route refers to Western Mediterranean and Western African route



Source: Frontex and Spanish Ministry of Interior



Mediterranean irregular migration	2022	2022/2021 %	2021
Central Mediterranean	102529	+51%	67900
Eastern Mediterranean	42831	+108%	20591
Western Mediterranean	14582	-21%	18475
Western African	15462	-31%	22430
<b>Mediterranean migration</b>	<b>175404</b>	<b>+35,5%</b>	<b>129396</b>

# Number of refugees compared to total population

