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#### PROPOSAL

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## **REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL** establishing Global Europe

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## ANNEX I – List of countries and territories

#### Annex I.A - Europe

Enlargement and Neighbourhood East area Armenia Azerbaijan Bosnia and Herzegovina Georgia Iceland Kosovo<sup>\*</sup> Montenegro The Republic of Albania The Republic of Moldova The Republic of North Macedonia The Republic of Serbia The Republic of Türkiye Ukraine

Union support under this area may also benefit Russian/Belarussian independent civil society and independent free media, in full compliance with Union restrictive measures

#### Other European countries

Principality of Andorra Principality of Liechtenstein Principality of Monaco Kingdom of Norway Republic of San Marino Swiss Confederation United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland Vatican City State

This designation is without prejudice to positions on status and is in line with UNSCR 1244/1999 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence.

# Annex I.B - Middle East, North Africa and the Gulf

Neighbourhood South Algeria Egypt Israel Jordan Lebanon Libya Morocco Occupied Palestinian Territory Syria Tunisia

Iran

Iraq

Kuwait

Oman

Qatar

Saudi Arabia

United Arab Emirates

Yemen

#### Annex I.C - Sub-Saharan Africa

Angola Benin Botswana Burkina Faso Burundi Cabo Verde Cameroon Central African Republic Chad Comoros Congo Cote d'Ivoire Democratic Republic of the Congo Djibouti Equatorial Guinea Eritrea Eswatini Ethiopia Gabon Gambia (the) Ghana Guinea Guinea-Bissau Kenya Lesotho Liberia Madagascar Malawi Mali Mauritania Mauritius Mozambique Namibia Niger

Nigeria Rwanda Sao Tomé and Príncipe Senegal Seychelles Sierra Leone Somalia South Africa South Africa South Sudan Sudan Tanzania Togo Uganda Zambia

## Annex I.D - Asia and the Pacific

Afghanistan Australia Bangladesh Brunei Darussalam Bhutan Cambodia China (People's Republic of) Cook Islands Democratic People's Republic of Korea Fiji India Indonesia Japan Kazakhstan Kiribati Kyrgyzstan Lao People's Democratic Republic Malaysia Maldives Marshall Islands Micronesia (Federated States of) Mongolia Myanmar Nauru Nepal New Zealand Niue Pakistan Palau Papua New Guinea Philippines Samoa Singapore Solomon Islands

South Korea Sri Lanka Taiwan<sup>1</sup> Tajikistan Thailand Timor-Leste Tonga Turkmenistan Tuvalu Uzbekistan Vanuatu Vietnam

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>This designation should not be interpreted as reflecting any official position of the European Union with regard to the legal status of Taiwan.

# Annex I.E - Americas and the Caribbean

Antigua and Barbuda Argentina Bahamas (the) Barbados Belize Bolivia Brazil Canada Chile Colombia Costa Rica Cuba Dominica **Dominican Republic** Ecuador El Salvador Grenada Guatemala Guyana Haiti Honduras Jamaica Mexico Nicaragua Panama Paraguay Peru Saint Kitts and Nevis Saint Lucia Saint Vincent and the Grenadines Suriname Trinidad and Tobago United States of America Uruguay

Venezuela

### <u>ANNEX II – Specific objectives</u>

## Annex II.A - Europe

- (1) Preparing candidate countries and potential candidates for accession to Union membership
  - a) Supporting the enlargement process by accelerating the alignment with Union values, laws, rules, standards, policies and practices ('acquis') through the adoption and implementation of reforms with a view to future Union membership and through the process of gradual integration;
  - b) Strengthening the fundamentals of the enlargement process in line with the enlargement policy framework, including democracy, the rule of law, economic criteria, public administration reform, independent and efficient judiciary, fundamental rights, public procurement, statistics and financial control, justice, freedom, and security
  - c) Supporting the fight against organised crime, effectively strenghtening migration management, countering irregular migration, supporting visa policy alignment as well as effective border management and, where applicable, preparation for Schengen accession;
  - d) Fostering regional economic integration and progressive integration into the Union single market leading to improved neighbourly relations, a positive appreciation of integration with the Union and reducing beneficiaries' and the Union's strategic dependencies;
  - e) Accelerating the socio-economic and regulatory convergence of candidate countries' and potential candidates' with the Union and their transition to economies that are capable of withstanding competitive market pressures of the Union single market, in particular through increased trade and investment flows, and resilient and sustainable value chains providing decent jobs, and transition to a digital and AI economy;
  - f) Accelerating the alignment of candidate countries and potential candidates with the Union's climate and environmental standards and supporting their implementation;
  - g) Reinforcing the effectiveness of public administration, building local capacities and investing in administrative staff in the beneficiary contries. Supporting transparency, accountability, structural reforms and good governance at all levels, including through the prevention of corruption and by strenghtening engagement of public authorities with civil society actors. Improving national control systems in view of accession, including as regards their powers of oversight and inquiry over the distribution of and access to public funds as well as in the areas of public financial management and public procurement and State aid control;
  - h) Supporting territorial cohesion, cross-border cooperation across land and maritime borders with a focus on the transport connections along the trans-European transport network extended to neighbouring countries as defined in the TEN-T Regulation 2024/1679, as well as agriculture and rural development;
  - i) Moving towards full alignment of candidate countries and potential candidates with the Union Common Foreign and Security Policy, including Union restrictive measures;

- j) Enhancing capacities for strategic communication, including to ensure public support for and understanding of Union values and the benefits and obligations of potential Union membership, while addressing foreign information manipulation and interference and disinformation;
- (2) Building mutually beneficial partnerships with the Union's partners, including candidate countries and potential candidates, contributing to the Union's strategic interests and promoting the Union's values and a peaceful, stable, strong and united Europe.
  - a) Promoting a strengthened partnership between the Union and the European partner countries, and among the partner countries;
  - b) Supporting the implementation of association agreements or other existing and future agreements, to support the conclusion and implementation of comprehensive partnerships, including through providing financial support against the achievement of results set out in relevant performance-based plans;
  - c) Reinforcing the rule of law, including the fight against and prevention of corruption, and respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms, including by combating discrimination and promoting gender equality and the women's and girls' rights and empowerment and preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence. Facilitating judicial cooperation, promoting children's rights and the rights of persons with disabilities and accessibility, strengthening the rights of victims of crime and contributing to the strengthening of democracy and political stability;
  - d) Fostering good neighbourly relations, reconciliation, and the settlement of disputes, and promoting peace, stability, security;
  - e) Preparing for and responding effectively to crisis, emerging crisis and post-crisis situations; supporting peace, stability and conflict prevention;
  - f) Increasing stability and security; stepping-up cooperation with justice and law enforcement institutions, on counter-terrorism, transnational organised crime, terrorist and organised crime financing and anti-money laundering, the fight against radicalisation and violent extremism, cyberthreats, the fight against impunity, corruption;
  - g) Fostering regional economic cooperation and, where appropriate, a positive appreciation of integration with the Union and reducing strategic dependencies of the Union and of partner countries, including on energy, critical raw materials and inputs, and health security;
  - Supporting sustainable and inclusive growth, private sector engagement, trade, and investments in key infrastructure as well as research and innovation; advancing the digital transition to unlock societal and economic opportunities both within private and public sector; fostering skills development and decent jobs;
  - i) Promoting social and cultural inclusion across borders, preserving and promoting cultural and natural heritage, offering support to cultural and creative sectors and industries, and sport;
  - j) Fostering the use of the Union's single currency for trade, financial services and investment within the region and with respect to the Union;

- k) Contributing to the resilience of partner countries, supporting and reinforcing actions addressing the humanitarian-development-peace nexus, fragility challenges and addressing reconstruction needs as well as balance of payment crises;
- 1) Supporting Union competitiveness and flexibly responding to economic challenges and opportunities;
- m) Developing the digital economy and society with a particular focus on supporting the rollout of secure and trusted digital infrastructure, developing data and AI economies through support for the setting-up of AI Factories and shaping AI to uphold democratic values and protect cultural diversity, promoting relevant Digital Public Infrastructure and eGovernance solutions such as privacypreserving digital identity frameworks, strengthening cybersecurity and cyber defence capabilities;
- n) Fostering energy transition and promoting energy security; investing in energy connectivity and renewable energies; promoting the use of clean energy sources in industry and transport; promoting the integration of Union's value chain;
- Reinforcing environmental protection, increasing resilience to climate change, accelerating the shift towards a climate neutral, positive biodiversity inclusive, sustainable green, blue and circular economy, strengthening the fight against environmental crime;
- p) Strengthening economic and social development and inclusion, with particular attention to women, children and youth, including through preventing brain drain, supporting vulnerable communities, promoting equality, cultural inclusion, quality education, training, reskilling and upskilling, and supporting employment policies, labour rights and effective social protection systems;
- q) Strengthening partnerships on well-managed and safe migration and mobility via structured migration discussions and, where applicable and provided that conditions for well-managed and secure mobility are in place, developing and support the implementation of existing visa-free regimes, visa liberalisation dialogues and bilateral or regional agreements and arrangements with partner countries;
- r) Fostering the establishment of people-to-people partnerships based on common interests and promoting collaboration on education, culture, sport research and innovation as well as the mutually beneficial mobility of people;
- s) Empowering civil society and strengthening its capacity on the monitoring of the implementation of reforms, supporting the creation of an enabling environment for civil society organisations, promoting and strengthening pluralism, independence and professionalism of a free and independent media, as well as enhancing digital and media literacy;
- t) Helping to mitigate challenges posed by Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine and attempts to destabilise partner countries, fight disinformation, hybrid threats, and foreign information manipulation and interference, in particular by Russia, against partner countries' sovereignty, democratic processes and institutions, as well as against the Union and its values.
- u) Strengthening awareness, understanding and perception of the European Union in partner countries through strategic communication.

- (3) Supporting Ukraine in light of the consequences of Russia's war of aggression
  - a) Helping maintaining the macro-financial stability of Ukraine and easing its external and internal financing constraints to ensure the continued functioning of the Ukrainian state;
  - b) Supporting the recovery, reconstruction and modernisation of Ukraine, in line with its accession path, by addressing the social, economic, security and environmental consequences of Russia's war of aggression in Ukraine and contributing to the rebuilding of vital infrastructure, including energy, transport and digital infrastructure, thereby contributing to social cohesion, resilience and to the post-war recovery of free, culturally vibrant Ukrainian society, including by supporting culture and cultural heritage and by creating the social and economic conditions for internally displaced persons and persons under temporary protection to go back to Ukraine once conditions allow,, and reintegrating the veteran population.
  - c) Supporting accountability efforts in the context of Russia's war of aggression, including assistance to investigation and prosecution of international crimes committed in and against Ukraine, notably in relation to the crime of aggression, and to transitional justice and accountability mechanisms, including the Special Tribunal for the Crime of Aggression against Ukraine.

### Annex II. B - Middle East, North Africa and the Gulf

- (1) Enhancing strategic partnerships at regional and country level
  - a) Deepening partnerships with the Middle East, North Africa and Gulf regions through a stronger political commitment and with a view to achieving a common space of peace, prosperity and stability in the Mediterranean region;
  - b) Developing mutually beneficial tailored partnerships, including through formal bilateral agreements and bilateral and regional dialogues, based on Union's leverage and local ownership, contributing to the Union's strategic interests, and promoting the Union's values;
  - c) Support the implementation of association agreements or other existing and future agreements and jointly agreed documents with the Southern Neighbourhood countries as listed in Annex I;
  - d) Strengthening awareness, understanding and perception of the European Union in partner countries through strategic communication.
- (2) Strengthening security, peace, resilience, reconstruction and preparedness
  - a) Supporting and promoting peace, stability, security, crisis response, conflict prevention, stabilization, mediation, political transition and reconciliation efforts;
  - b) Supporting the needs related to socio-economic recovery, rehabilitation and post-conflict reconstruction;
  - c) Contributing to the resilience of partner countries, supporting and reinforcing actions addressing the humanitarian-development-peace nexus, fragility challenges and addressing reconstruction needs as well as balance of payment crises;
  - d) Support security in areas of common interest, such as health security, maritime security, fight against organised crime counter-terrorism, and cyber security and cyber capacity-building;
  - e) Stepping-up cooperation on terrorist and organised crime financing and antimoney laundering, judicial cooperation, the fight against radicalisation and violent extremism, hybrid and cyber threats, the fight against impunity, corruption, organised crime and law enforcement;
  - f) Contributing to preventing the circumvention of Union restrictive measures.
- (3) Promoting and protecting democracy, the rule of law, human rights, good governance, human development and people to people relations
  - a) Strengthening public institutions and economic/democratic governance systems, including through oversight, enforcement, and the prevention of and fight against corruption and foreign interference; supporting effectiveness of public finances, transparency and accountability;
  - b) Safeguarding the space for civil society, civic and non-state actors and independent media; supporting the fight against foreign information manipulation and interference, supporting local and regional capacities for human rights protection, including national human rights institutions;

- c) Protecting and promoting human rights, gender equality, children's rights, the rights of persons with disabilities and fighting against child labour and discrimination on any ground;
- d) Enhancing quality and relevance of education, health and access to health products and social protection systems; fostering universal health coverage;
- e) Fostering the establishment of people-to-people partnerships based on common interests and strengthening skills development through cooperation in the fields of education, youth, research and innovation;
- f) Empowering young people, creating decent jobs, supporting the creation of a common space for learning, connecting skills, vocational education and training, higher education, research and innovation;
- g) Promoting mutual understanding through culture, media, sports and tourism;
- h) Promoting the role of culture and intercultural dialogue, cultural diversity in all its forms, mobility, and reinforcing cooperation on safeguarding, conservation and enhancement of cultural heritage.
- (4) Supporting inclusive and sustainable growth, trade, and investments in key infrastructure
  - a) Supporting Union trade policy and trade and investment agreements and their implementation;
  - b) Creating conditions for the participation of EU companies in the regional markets through the removal of barriers and de-risking through support for regulatory changes;
  - c) Promoting business and investment opportunities (including for companies from the European Union), private sector development, regulatory convergence with Union's standards, economic integration, as well as local and regional sustainable value chains and diversification;
  - d) Improving the region's productive and export capacity of critical raw materials and inputs;
  - e) Advancing the digital transition to unlock societal and economic opportunities both within private and public sector. Advancing secure and trusted digital infrastructures to underpin future developments of key economic and critical sectors. Developing data and AI economies, including by supporting AI innovation ecosystems. Supporting actions to close the digital divide and to ensure accessible, affordable, inclusive, and secure digital connectivity solutions.
  - f) Fostering the use of the Union's single currency for trade, financial services and investment within the region and with respect to the Union;
  - g) Strengthening sustainable road and maritime transport and ports; promoting smart and sustainable mobility, supporting the uptake of sustainable transport fuels;
  - h) Fostering energy transition and promoting energy security; investing in energy connectivity and renewable energies; promoting the integration of Union's value chain with resilient clean tech industrial chains of partner countries;

- i) Supporting Union competitiveness and stability, and flexibly responding to economic challenges and opportunities.
- (5) Promoting healthy eco-systems and addressing climate change
  - a) Enhancing climate change adaptation and mitigation capacity; helping to promote climate-proof investments;
  - b) Developing sustainable green and blue economy; Supporting the transition to low-emissions, resource efficient and circular economic models and promoting the development of sustainable production and value chains, supporting green hydrogen projects;
  - c) Ensuring the protection and conservation of the environment and biodiversity and ensuring the restoration and sustainable management of ecosystems, including water systems, land, forests and the ocean. Promoting the fight against pollution biodiversity conservation, sustainable fisheries and transition to sustainable food systems, focusing on the water-energy-food-ecosystems nexus approach. Promoting nature-based solutions, in particular for sustainable infrastructure and the development of green and smart cities.
- (6) Enhancing cooperation on all aspects of migration, mobility and forced displacement
  - a) Enhancing cooperation on all aspects of migration and forced displacement including through the EU agencies; strengthening local and international partnerships on migration and forced displacement along key migratory routes;
  - b) Strengthening all aspects of migration and asylum governance; enhancing border management, including quality of travel documents and visa systems; strengthening the fight against smuggling of migrants and trafficking in human beings and fostering cooperation on safe, dignified and sustainable returns, readmission and reintegration of migrants; as well as addressing the root causes of irregular migration and forced displacement;
  - c) Supporting a comprehensive approach to and implementation of legal migration and mobility, including through mutually beneficial Talent Partnerships and exchanges, respecting the competences of the Member States;
  - d) Contributing to the provision of international protection, including access to resettlement and complementary pathways, and support to refugees, migrants, internally displaced persons, host communities, and to countries hosting significant refugee or displaced populations.

#### Annex II.C - Sub-Saharan Africa

- (1) Supporting inclusive and sustainable growth, promoting connectivity, trade, and decent jobs
  - a) Supporting sustainable, safe, secure and resilient infrastructure and connectivity, including strengthening sustainable and safe road, rail, air and maritime transport, and promoting smart, inclusive and sustainable mobility, and the uptake of sustainable transport fuels;
  - b) Strengthening the digital and space economy, supporting actions to close the digital divide, advancing secure and trusted digital infrastructures, promoting human-centric digital governance, including the development of modern data management and protection systems for safe data flows, developing data and AI economies, including by supporting AI innovation ecosystems; supporting cybersecurity and cyber capacity-building;
  - c) Fostering energy transition and promoting energy security; investing in energy connectivity and renewable energies; promoting the use of clean energy sources in industry and transport; fostering energy access and energy efficiency;
  - d) Promoting trade, business and investment opportunities (including for companies from the European Union), private sector development, regulatory convergence with Union's standards, economic integration, diversification of supply chains, and development of local and regional sustainable value chains;
  - e) Supporting Union trade policy and trade agreements and their implementation;
  - f) Improving the region's capacity to sustainably produce and export critical raw materials and inputs;
  - g) Promoting private sector development and improving the business environment to attract investments and foster decent job creation;
  - h) Fostering skills development and decent jobs, as well as research and innovation;
  - i) Supporting Union competitiveness and flexibly responding to economic challenges and opportunities;
  - j) Fostering the use of the Union's single currency for trade, financial services and investment within the region and with respect to the Union.
- (2) Fighting climate change, protecting the environment and biodiversity
  - a) Supporting climate change mitigation and adaptation, disaster preparedness, and risk reduction, with particular attention to the most vulnerable countries such as least developed countries and small island developing states;
  - b) Fostering pollution prevention and reduction, and ensuring the protection and preservation of the environment and biodiversity as well as the restoration and sustainable management of ecosystems, including water systems, land, forests and the ocean;
  - c) Promoting nature-based solutions for sustainable infrastructure and cities, sustainable green, blue and circular economy, including bioeconomy;
  - d) Supporting sustainable and resilient agriculture, including agroforestry, sustainable fisheries, and sustainable aquaculture.
- (3) Enhancing cooperation on all aspects of migration, mobility and forced displacement

- a) Addressing the root causes of irregular migration and forced displacement;
- b) Strengthening migration governance and management, enhancing border management, the quality of travel documents and visa systems, fighting against migrant smuggling and trafficking in human beings, and fostering cooperation on safe, dignified and sustainable returns, readmission and reintegration of irregular migrants;
- c) Supporting and promoting the use of legal channels of migration and mobility, and encouraging diasporas' contributions to the development of the countries of origin;
- d) Supporting asylum seekers, refugees, internally displaced and stateless people, as well as their host communities, and promoting their access to protection and durable solutions, including voluntary repatriation, local integration, and access to resettlement as well as complementary pathways.
- (4) Promoting human development and gender equality
  - a) Supporting greater access to and improved quality of education, healthcare services and health products and supporting food and nutrition security, and promoting access to climate resilient and safe water supply, sanitation and waste services;
  - b) Fostering social inclusion, social protection, universal health coverage and the fight against inequalities, with a focus on the most vulnerable;
  - c) Promoting gender equality and the rights and empowerment of women and girls, preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence protecting rights of persons with disabilities, of young people and of children, and fighting child labour;
  - d) Contributing to the resilience of partner countries, supporting and reinforcing actions addressing the humanitarian-development-peace nexus, fragility challenges and addressing reconstruction needs as well as balance of payment crises;
- (5) Promoting and protecting democracy, rule of law, human rights and good governance
  - a) Protecting and promoting human rights, with specific attention to protect the most vulnerable, and democracy, safeguarding the space for civil society organisations and supporting freedom and pluralism of the media;
  - b) Supporting the rule of law and good governance, including transparency, accountability, institutional oversight, law enforcement, as well as civic space, and the prevention of and fight against corruption, and illegal trafficking, including illicit financial flows;
  - c) Strengthening the respect of human rights and international law, with specific attention to protect the most vulnerable;
  - d) Promoting respect for the principles of equality and non-discrimination.
- (6) Contributing to stability, peace and security
  - a) Preparing for and responding effectively to crisis, emerging crisis and post-crisis situations;
  - b) Supporting peace, mediation, stability and conflict prevention;

- c) Increasing stability and security through judicial cooperation, the fight against impunity, organised crime, cyber and hybrid threats, violent extremism and terrorism;
- d) Contributing to preventing the circumvention of Union restrictive measures.
- (7) Strengthening partnerships
  - a) Encouraging regional and cross-regional integration, cooperation, dialogue and initiatives;
  - b) Promoting policy dialogue with the Organisation of Africa, Caribbean and Pacific States, African Union and Regional Organisations;
  - c) Promoting intercultural dialogue and cooperation, twinning, mobility, exchange and leadership programmes; promoting the role of cultural diversity in all its forms, and reinforcing cooperation on safeguarding, conservation and enhancement of cultural heritage;
  - d) Fostering the establishment of people-to-people partnerships based on common interests, and strengthening skills development through cooperation in the fields of education, youth, culture, sport as well as research and innovation;
  - e) Ensuring engagement with civil society, local authorities and private sector, and strengthening State and local authority institutions and their effective operations in line with their respective mandate;
  - f) Strengthening awareness, understanding and perception of the European Union in partner countries through strategic communication.

#### Annex II.D - Asia and the Pacific

- (1) Supporting inclusive and sustainable growth, decent jobs and the digital transformation
  - a) Supporting sustainable, safe, secure and resilient infrastructure and transport connectivity, including road, rail, air and maritime transport, and promoting smart and sustainable mobility, and the uptake of sustainable transport fuels;
  - b) Promoting trade, business and investment opportunities (including for companies from the European Union), private sector development, regulatory convergence with Union's standards, economic integration, diversification of supply chains, as well as local and regional sustainable value chains;
  - c) Enhancing regional integration, intra-regional trade, business dialogue and business-government dialogue at regional and inter-regional levels;
  - d) Fostering the use of the Union's single currency for trade, financial services and investment within the region and with respect to the Union;
  - e) Promoting secure digital and space economy, supporting actions to close the digital divide, advancing secure and trusted digital infrastructures, promoting human-centric digital governance, including the development of modern data management and protection systems for safe data flows;
  - f) Facilitating and enhancing investments in critical raw materials and inputs, sustainable and competitive policies on extraction and treatment of minerals;
  - g) Supporting Union trade policy and trade agreements, and their implementation;
  - h) Strengthening an inclusive and just transition to green and digital economy and promoting digital governance and e-services as well as the transparency and effectiveness of public finances;
  - i) Fostering skills development and decent jobs, as well as research and innovation, supporting international labour and environment standards, and business and human rights principles;
  - j) Supporting Union competitiveness and flexibly responding to economic challenges and opportunities;
- (2) Fighting climate change, protecting the environment and biodiversity
  - a) Promoting the protection and conservation of the environment and biodiversity, and ensuring sustainable management and restoration of natural resources, pollution reduction, biodiversity preservation, including water systems, land, forests and the ocean;
  - b) Fostering a sustainable green, blue and circular economy, including bioeconomy, green and smart cities and the access to climate resilient and safe water supply, sanitation and waste services;
  - c) Supporting cooperation on environmental challenges, sustainable energy transition, and improved regional energy connectivity as well as promoting energy access, renewable energy and energy efficiency; promoting the use of clean energy sources in industry and transport;
  - d) Supporting regional initiatives and partner countries' efforts and plans for climate change mitigation and adaptation, disaster preparedness and risk reduction in order to support their commitments on climate change and

biodiversity, with particular attention to the most vulnerable, in particular least developed countries and small island developing states;

- e) Ensuring food and nutrition security, sustainable and resilient agriculture and sustainable fisheries;
- (3) Promoting human development and gender equality
  - a) Supporting access to and improved quality of education, healthcare services and health products and nutrition;
  - b) Fostering social inclusion, social protection, universal health coverage and the fight against inequalities, with a focus on the most vulnerable;
  - c) Promoting gender equality and the rights and empowerment of women and girls, protecting rights of persons with disabilities and of children and fighting child labour, preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence;
  - d) Contributing to the resilience of partner countries, supporting and reinforcing actions addressing the humanitarian-development-peace nexus, fragility challenges and addressing reconstruction needs as well as balance of payment crises;
- (4) Enhancing cooperation on all aspects of migration, mobility and forced displacement
  - a) Addressing the root causes of irregular migration and forced displacement;
  - b) Strengthening all aspects of migration governance and management, enhancing border management, including the quality of travel documents and visa systems, fighting against migrant smuggling and trafficking in human beings and fostering cooperation in safe, dignified and sustainable returns, readmission and reintegration of irregular migrants;
  - c) Supporting and promoting the use of legal channels of migration and mobility, and encouraging diasporas' contributions to the development of the countries of origin;
  - d) Supporting asylum seekers, refugees, internally displaced and stateless people, notably the most vulnerable migrants including children, as well as their host communities, and promoting their access to protection and durable solutions, including voluntary repatriation, local integration, and access to resettlement as well as complementary pathways.
- (5) Promoting and protecting democracy, rule of law, human rights and good governance
  - a) Supporting democracy, the rule of law, good governance, transparency, and accountability, protecting civic space, the prevention of and fight against corruption and impunity, and independent, accountable and efficient justice systems;
  - b) Supporting and ensuring engagement with civil society organisations, freedom of the media, and empowerment of young people in all policy areas and institutional processes;
  - c) Promoting respect for human rights and international humanitarian law, the principles of equality and non-discrimination, with specific attention to protecting those most at risk.
- (6) Contributing to stability, peace and security

- a) Preparing for and responding effectively to crisis, emerging crisis and post-crisis situations;
- b) Supporting peace, mediation, stability and conflict prevention;
- c) Increasing stability and security through judicial cooperation, the fight against hybrid and cyber threats, organised crime, illegal trafficking, violent extremism, and terrorism;
- d) Contributing to preventing the circumvention of Union restrictive measures.
- (7) Strengthening partnerships
  - a) Encouraging regional and inter-regional integration, cooperation, dialogue and initiatives;
  - b) Promoting policy dialogue with the Organisation of Africa, Caribbean and Pacific States;
  - c) Promoting the role of culture and intercultural dialogue, cultural diversity in all its forms, and reinforcing cooperation on safeguarding, conservation and enhancement of cultural heritage;
  - d) Fostering the establishment of people-to-people partnerships based on common interests, and strengthening skills development through cooperation in the fields of education, youth, culture, sport, research and innovation;
  - e) Ensuring engagement with civil society, local authorities and private sector, and strengthening State and local authority institutions and their effective operations in line with their respective mandate;
  - f) Strengthening awareness, understanding and perception of the European Union in partner countries through strategic communication.

### Annex II.E - Americas and the Caribbean

- (1) Advancing the agenda of just green and digital transitions for sustainable development
  - a) Developing local added value and bi-regional value chains (including on clean energy and critical raw materials and inputs), inclusive and sustainable growth, promoting the development of sustainable production and value chains, research and innovation as well as decent jobs, by building upon European technology to diversify the economies;
  - b) Leveraging value-based investments to address infrastructure needs in a climate neutral, resilient, and nature-positive economy that meets high environmental, social and governance standards;
  - c) Developing sustainable finance to attract international investors and promoting green investments;
  - d) Fostering a just transition to a sustainable green, blue, digital and circular economy, supporting decarbonisation and resource efficiency in agriculture, transport, forestry, energy, while supporting climate change adaptation;
  - e) Supporting sustainable, safe, secure and resilient infrastructure and transport connectivity, including road, rail, air and maritime transport, and the uptake of sustainable transport fuels;
  - f) Improving the region's productive and export capacity of critical raw materials with a sustainability focus;
  - g) Promoting pollution reduction and protecting, preserving, restoring and ensuring sustainable management of ecosystems, such as water systems, land, forests and the ocean; developing sustainable food systems, sustainable fisheries, nature-based solutions, fighting forest and biodiversity loss;
  - h) Advancing digital transformation and secure cyber-resilient digital connectivity, including to reduce the digital gap and the gender divide, promoting the space economy, secure and safe data flows and the use of space-based data, in line with EU standards;
  - i) Supporting Union competitiveness and flexibly responding to economic challenges and opportunities;
  - j) Promoting just transitions, inclusive societies and tackling inequalities in all its forms, enhancing affordable and equal access to skills development and universal access to health and social protection;
  - k) Fostering energy transition and promoting energy security; investing in energy connectivity and renewable energies; promoting the use of clean energy sources in industry and transport.
- (2) Rolling out a common EU-LAC trade and investment agenda
  - a) Improving the conditions for sustainable investment and private sector development through a more conducive business and regulatory environment, promoting business and investment opportunities (including for companies from the European Union), and a regulatory convergence with Union's standards;
  - b) Facilitating trade in goods subject to the legislations related to the EU Green Deal;

- c) Facilitating joint ventures, exports and decent work creation by small and medium-sized enterprises;
- d) Ensuring the implementation of trade and association agreements including through technical assistance and business involvement;
- e) Fostering the use of the Union's single currency for trade, financial services and investment within the region and with respect to the Union.
- (3) Enhancing justice, citizen security and the fight against transnational organised crime, contributing to stability, peace and security
  - a) Supporting cooperation and coordination against transnational organised crime, and the financial flows it generates, building bridges between justice and security institutions based on the convergence and harmonisation of rule of law policies and instruments;
  - b) Strengthening partner countries' capacities to respond to the impacts of security and cyber threats and better protecting citizens and the most vulnerable;
  - c) Strengthening partner countries' capacities to secure value chains and logistics;
  - d) Preparing for and responding effectively to crisis, emerging crisis and post-crisis situations;
  - e) Supporting peace, mediation, stability and conflict prevention, and strengthening the bi-regional parternship on security and justice;
  - f) Increasing stability and security through the fight against hybrid and cyber threats, impunity, corruption, illegal trafficking, violent extremism, and terrorism;
  - g) Contributing to preventing the circumvention of Union restrictive measures.
- (4) Promoting human rights, human development, democracy and rule of law
  - a) Protecting and promoting human rights, with specific attention to protect the most vulnerable, democracy, rule of law and good governance, including accountability, and the prevention of and fight against corruption, including in relation to organised crime;
  - b) Promoting gender equality and the rights and empowerment of women and girls, preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence, as well as promoting young people's empowerment in all policy areas and institutional processes;
  - c) Safeguarding the space for civil society, and supporting freedom and pluralism of the media;
  - d) Supporting greater access to and improved quality of education, healthcare services and health products, and supporting food and nutrition security, and access to climate resilient and safe water supply and water efficiency, sanitation inclusive of all and waste services, protecting rights of persons with disabilities and of children and fighting child labour;
  - e) Fostering social inclusion, social protection and the fight against inequalities, with a focus on the most vulnerable;
  - f) Enhancing cooperation on migration, including combatting migrant smuggling, and human mobility;

- g) Contributing to the resilience of partner countries, supporting and reinforcing actions addressing the humanitarian-development-peace nexus, fragility challenges and addressing reconstruction needs as well as balance of payment crises.
- (5) Strengthening partnerships
  - a) Promoting the EU-LAC bi-regional partnership;
  - b) Encouraging regional and inter-regional integration, connectivity and cooperation;
  - c) Promoting policy dialogue with the Organisation of Africa, Caribbean and Pacific States;
  - d) Promoting the role of culture and intercultural dialogue, cultural diversity in all its forms, and reinforcing cooperation on safeguarding, conservation and enhancement of cultural heritage;
  - e) Fostering the establishment of people-to-people partnerships based on common interests, and strengthening skills development through cooperation in the fields of education, youth, culture, sport and research and innovation;
  - f) Ensuring engagement with civil society, local authorities and private sector, and strengthening State and local authority institutions and their effective operations in line with their respective mandate;
  - g) Strengthening awareness, understanding and perception of the European Union in partner countries through strategic communication.

#### Annex II.F - Global

- (1) Supporting human development
  - a) Preventing and combatting health threats, such as pandemics and anti-microbial resistance, strengthening health systems and health equity, promoting universal health coverage, and sexual and reproductive health and rights;
  - b) Supporting inclusive, equitable and quality education and skills, including via global initiatives and research;
  - c) Promoting gender equality and empowerment of women and girls and addressing inequalities;
  - d) Protecting children and young people, promoting youth engagement and empowerment, and empowering persons with disabilities;
  - e) Steering and contributing to the global agenda on the governance of migration and forced displacement and supporting the Union commitments in this regard;
  - f) Contributing to the global agenda on decent work for all, including through the promotion of international labour standards, and universal social protection and social inclusion.
- (2) Advancing a just green and digital transition for sustainable prosperity
  - a) Accelerating a just transition to a climate-neutral, resilient, sustainable, green, blue and circular economy, including by supporting global initiatives;
  - b) Strengthening global governance and knowledge on climate, food and agriculture, environment, natural resources and the ocean, supporting global public goods;
  - c) Accelerating the deployment of accessible, affordable, inclusive, sustainable, safe and secure digital connectivity, including satellite connectivity, and promoting a human-centric and secure digital economy and global governance;
  - d) Promoting sustainable finance, public and private investments, sustainable and resilient value chains, responsible business conduct, and supporting the Union's trade policy and economic security in multilateral settings.
- (3) Promoting and protecting democracy, human rights and rule of law
  - a) Upholding human rights and fundamental freedoms, promoting the principles of equality and non-discrimination, protecting and enhancing an enabling civic space, including by empowering human rights defenders and their networks worldwide;
  - b) Supporting democracy, including effective representation and participation also by deploying EU electoral observation missions;
  - c) Addressing threats to democracy, including foreign information manipulation and interference and disinformation, and supporting free and independent media;
  - d) Supporting and protecting the rule of law and international law, including through international justice mechanisms, transparency and accountability mechanisms.
  - e) Strengthening global and multilateral human rights system, processes and architecture.
- (4) Contributing to peace, security, stability and response to crises

- a) Supporting peace, stability and conflict prevention through foresight, conflict analysis, early warning, peacebuilding, mediation and dialogue;
- b) Tackling global threats, including, hybrid, space and cyber threats, promoting maritime and aviation security;
- c) Increasing stability and security through multilateral initiatives against terrorism, radicalisation and violent extremism, as well as global cooperation against illicit trafficking and organised crime;
- d) Mitigating chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear risks;
- e) Supporting global initiatives to address climate and environmental risks with a potentially destabilising impact on peace and security;
- f) Supporting global initiatives to curb the use of minerals and other natural resources to finance conflicts and prevent related human rights abuses and risks in supply chains.
- (5) Strengthening partnerships and strategic relations
  - a) Upholding multilateralism and multilateral agreements and engaging in global partnerships, including supporting global economic governance and development architecture;
  - b) Supporting global initiatives to combat illicit financial flows, money laundering and tax evasion;
  - c) Strengthening institutional and operational capacities of European and partner countries' local authority networks and alliances for development;
  - d) Increasing capacities and maintaining partnerships with European and partner countries' civil society organisations, networks, platforms and alliances to create an enabling environment for citizen participation and civil society action, including in the Union;
  - e) Engaging in public diplomacy activities to promote dialogue and mutual understanding.