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Initiative	Keyword(s)
<p>The link between migration and climate has gained prominence in recent years with the recognition of the role climate change plays as a trigger. This link is relevant to the following strands of work of the DG:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Climate security, and in particular the work with EEAS and Member States on climate diplomacy and mainstreaming climate change aspects into foreign policy and the work/implementation of the EU conflict early warning system. - Adaptation: migration seen as adaptation measure of last resort (addressed by the EU Adaptation Strategy); CLIMA contributes to DEVCO's work on environmental and climate induced displacement. Examples include the MECLEP project, the project supporting the Nansen Initiative and a study on environmental migration. A project on reducing disaster displacement risk in the Pacific is currently under approval. - Economic impacts of climate change and spillovers with migration seen as social/economic costs; (see report nr. 2 below, and possible future work on this within the PESETA 4 project) - CLIMA has worked with DG Home to mainstream climate change in the fitness check of the legal migration legislation. - Loss and damage and the provisions of the Paris Agreement on the establishment of a Displacement task force to provide recommendations for approaches to address displacement related to climate change, DG CLIMA is an observer party in the development of this task force and has an advisory role in support of ECHO (official Member of the Executive Committee). The recommendation of the Task force will be presented this December at COP24 in Katowice. CLIMA has contributed to an EU submission on 'Sources of financial support for integrated approaches to displacement related to the adverse impacts of climate change' which will be submitted to the UNFCCC in January 2019. - Our bilateral work with Least Developed Countries (LDCs) and Small Island Developing States (SIDS) to promote climate action with a particular focus on enhancing adaptive capacity and resilience of people and ecosystems, supporting comprehensive and integrated approaches to displacement, including related to the adverse impacts of climate change. 	<p>Climate security, climate-induced displacement, adaptation</p>

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Studies and related outputs			
1	Commission Staff Working Document, SWD(2013) 138 ' <i>Climate change, environmental degradation, and migration</i> '	2013	This is an accompanying document of the EU Strategy on adaptation to climate change. The paper aims to provide an overview of the research and data available on the inter-linkages between migration, environmental degradation and climate change. It also provides an overview of the many initiatives of relevance for the topic which are already being taken by the EU in various policy fields, and analyses on-going debates on policy responses at EU and international level.
2	European Commission – DG CLIMA ' <i>Assessing the spillover effects in the EU of the adverse effects of climate change in the rest of the world, in particular the EU's Neighbourhood countries</i> '	2013	The report by AMEC Environment & infrastructure UK Limited, Bio Intelligence Service, Cambridge Econometrics and Milieu unlimited assesses a number of climate change effects, including displacement/migration.
3	Environment Policy (2015) ' <i>Migration in response to environmental change</i> ' Thematic Issue 51.	2015	This report published by DG ENV, but to which DG CLIMA contributed substantially, includes, among other things, frameworks, evidence and policy recommendations for the link between environmental change and migration.