



## How a Focus on Migration Could Weaken the EU's Crisis Management Missions

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Judging from the political priorities in Berlin, Rome or any other European capital these days, you'd think that migration control and border management are the only important issues facing policymakers. Everywhere you look, more and more policy tools are being used to "fight" or solve problems related to migration, with some repurposed for the task.

The same has been true for the European Union in recent years. In Brussels, this trend can be traced back to the summer of 2016, when the EU published its updated doctrine for defense and security policy, called the European Union Global Strategy. The doctrine attempted to realign those policies more clearly with the internal security interests of EU member states. ...



*A man enters a Red Cross refugee shelter in the outskirts of Milan, Italy, July 25, 2018 (AP photo by Luca Bruno).*

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