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Topic “The refugee crisis as a factor in the raise of Euroscepticism in the E.U.:
The integration of refugees in Europe under the aspect of secularism and the
defense of human rights in light of EU Charter on fundamental rights”

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REPORT

The European Parliament,

Taking into account the Article 79 par.4 of the Treaty of the Functioning of the European Union which mentions the integration of refugees as a National competence,

With respect to the Charter of the Fundamental Rights of the European Union which ensures the protection of human rights by the EU institutions,

Taking into consideration the 1951 Geneva Convention relating to the Status of Refugees and its 1967 Protocol,

1. Suggests awareness raising campaigns in order to familiarize the locals with the refugees' identity while introducing refugees to the local morals and values;
2. Recommends unbiased media reporting along with the preservation of the refugees' dignity in the media;
3. Encourages the creation of a platform that will include all European languages and paneuropean criteria for the recognition of educational levels and skills in order for the refugees to be able to learn the language of the host country or the country of relocation;
4. Underlines the importance of the instruction of internationally helpful languages such as English and French;
5. Promotes the creation of a basic educational program for adults so as to boost their working skills in the context of the New skills agenda for the EU;
6. Endorses the training of teachers, educational and specialized staff by European services in cooperation with NGOs and social workers so that they raise awareness and focus the attention on elimination of exclusion and marginalization;
7. Supports the launch of transnational projects and partnerships to boost inclusive education of the youth with a particular focus on projects related to migration and intercultural dialogue;
8. *Taking into consideration* the already existing legal framework, suggests the combination of language training with working experience via internships, entrepreneurship pilot programs and seminars for refugees to overcome the language barriers;
9. Calls upon all Member States to adopt stricter legislation in order to effectively combat discrimination in the workplace, with respect to European Union's values;

10. Requests the minimization of the waiting periods for the refugees to access the labor market and further recommends their involvement in vocational training or seasonal work during this period;
11. Calls for the establishment of a new efficient agreement between EU with the departure countries (Turkey, North Africa) and endorses the establishment of a monitoring Agency with executive personnel on them;
12. Urges the prevention of illegal immigration by reinforcing the external borders through a better administration of FRONTEX and EURODAC;
13. Recommends the increase of the staff number in the European asylum service in order to speed up the asylum procedure;
14. Calls for the amelioration of the living conditions in the refugee camps in terms of:
 - accommodation,
 - health & psychological support,
 - educationin order for the refugees to be ready and willing for their integration;
15. Further encourages organizing lectures and festivals concerning the traditions of the state they reside, customs and way of life so as easily approach the nationals;
16. Further recommends the establishment of social inclusion and cohesion institutions in the receiving country, to provide language lessons and educate refugees on the constitutional values and principles of each country;
17. Urges the fair distribution of refugees in the places they reside in the member-states so as to avoid marginalisation;
18. Calls for the prioritisation of the integration of the most vulnerable groups, such as but not limited to, unaccompanied minors, women, members of the LGBT community, people with disabilities or severe health issues;
19. Endorses the establishment of a European monitoring agency of the status of the refugees' human rights.
20. Approves the establishment of an online platform which will include the working skills of the refugees and their classification according to their labor potential, taking into account labor-market needs and their scientific background; this platform will function under the transparency standards of the EU;
21. Calls for the assessment of credentials at pre-arrival stages by only accredited services;
22. Further requests refugees to respect Europe's freedom of religion and vice versa;
23. Requests for the organization of events that will promote intercultural exchange among refugees and local so that the latter would be aware of the refugees' status and able to directly communicate with them.

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