



Remarks by President Donald Tusk after the G20 preparation leaders' meeting in Berlin

Let me just share one political reflection. The fact that we are meeting here today is the best example that Europe is taking more responsibility at the international level in these turbulent times. When talking about the biggest global challenges Europe becomes a reference point for all those who value liberal democracy and human rights, free and fair trade, the fight against climate change, poverty and violence. We are determined to protect and even strengthen the rules-based international order. This is why we will speak with one voice at the G20 summit next week.

When it comes to migration just one remark: there is already a very ambitious and responsible language proposed by Chancellor Merkel. My suggestion is that maybe we could also add a very concrete reference to the fight against smugglers. We could appeal to the other G20 members to consider for example UN sanctions against the smugglers.

In order to put smugglers on the UN list we need the UN Security Council members to agree.

The G20 format seems to be a good forum to bring it to the table.