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More action required to stop the poverty driving forced migration

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In today's European Parliament debate on migration, Green migration spokesperson **Judith Sargentini** will call for more action to stop the poverty driving forced migration:

"We know that there are fewer people on dodgy boats trying to reach Italy. Less people drowning on the Mediterranean is in itself good news. But we cannot lose sight of the continued problems being suffered in Libya and elsewhere. We have heard horrific stories of abuse, violence, rape, human trafficking and even murder in the centres in Libya. But there is not one refugee camp in Libya under surveillance by the international community.

"What is sorely missing now is proposals to really counter the poverty driving forced migration. Because that is what we want to see; that people are not forced to leave their home town to pursue a better future."

You can follow the debate live on the European Parliament website from around 5pm CET: <u>http://www.europarl.europa.eu/plenary/en/home.html</u>

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