

AVİM
AVRASYA İNCELEMELERİ MERKEZİ
CENTER FOR EURASIAN STUDIES

FORTRESS EUROPE SHOULD LOWER DRAWBRIDGE - FOR ALL - EU OBSERVER - 01.03.2022

Shada ISLAM

Blog No: 6
02.03.2022

EU Observer (1 March 2022)

Shada ISLAM

'*It's very simple: if left unchallenged, the EU's hostile migration and refugee policies will continue to undermine the EU's much-needed geopolitical authority and influence*'

There is much to admire in EU leaders' quick, robust and hopefully effective response to Moscow's war against Ukraine.

Also impressive is the warm EU welcome extended to an estimated 500,000 Ukrainians who have fled the fighting to seek shelter in neighbouring states.

Lowering the drawbridge to Fortress Europe means the refugees can get urgent help, a temporary home and the hope they need to survive in desperate times.

It is also in keeping with the EU's commitments to international conventions.

The EU's geopolitical resolve and the generous humanitarian response are laudable and prove the bloc's ability to respond to crises, whether military or humanitarian.

But they risk being undermined by persistent Eurocentric policy responses, irresponsible European politicians, offensive West-centric media reporting and incidents of racial discrimination at EU borders.

To read the rest of the article, please click: https://euobserver.com/opinion/154458

About the author:

To cite this article: Shada ISLAM. 2026. "FORTRESS EUROPE SHOULD LOWER DRAWBRIDGE - FOR ALL - EU OBSERVER - 01.03.2022." Center For Eurasian Studies (AVİM), Blog No.2022 / 6. March 02. Accessed November 20, 2026. https://www.avim.org.tr/Blog/FORTRESS-EUROPE-SHOULD-LOWER-DRAWBRIDGE-FOR-ALL-EU-OBSERVER-01-03-2022

Süleyman Nazif Sok. No: 12/B Daire 3-4 06550 Çankaya-ANKARA / TÜRKİYE
Tel: +90 (312) 438 50 23-24 • **Fax**: +90 (312) 438 50 26
@avimorgtr
https://www.facebook.com/avrasyaincelemelerimerkezi
E-Posta: info@avim.org.tr
http://avim.org.tr

© 2009-2025 Avrasya İncelemeleri Merkezi (AVİM) Tüm Hakları Saklıdır