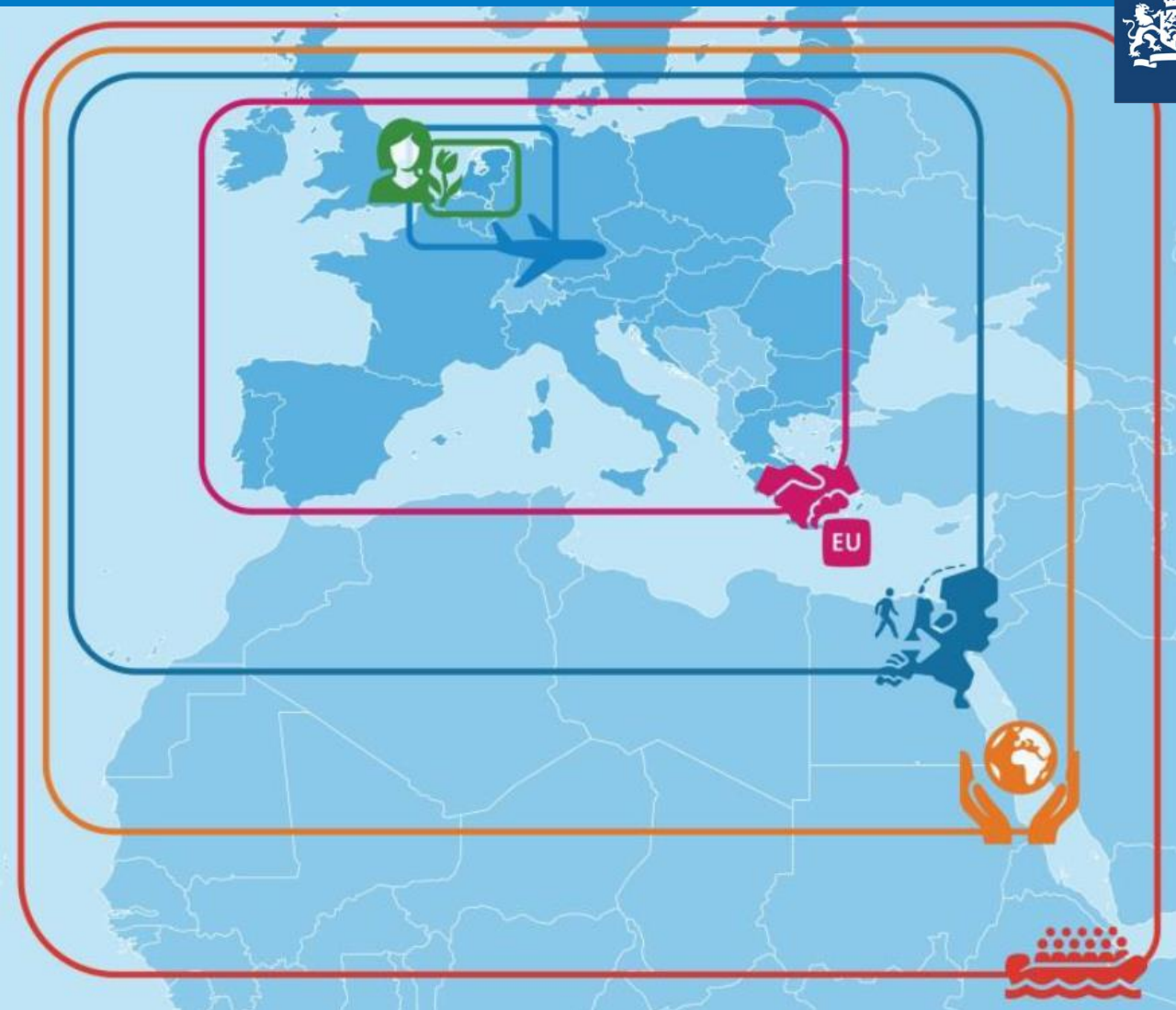




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Dutch migration policies

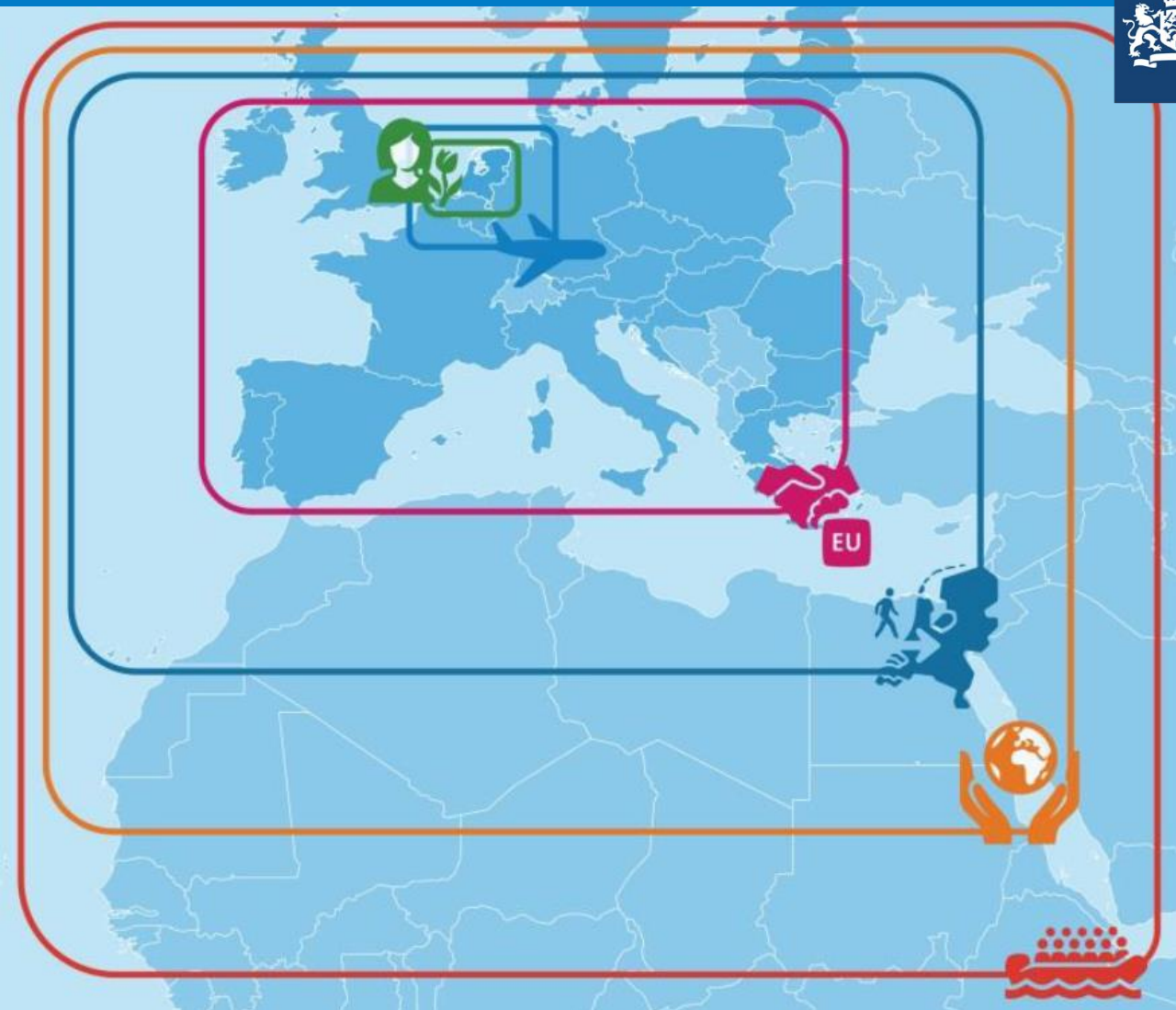
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Structure of the presentation

1. Integrated Migration Policy
2. What are root causes?
3. Relation migration and development
4. Land restoration and migration





Comprehensive Agenda on Migration

Region

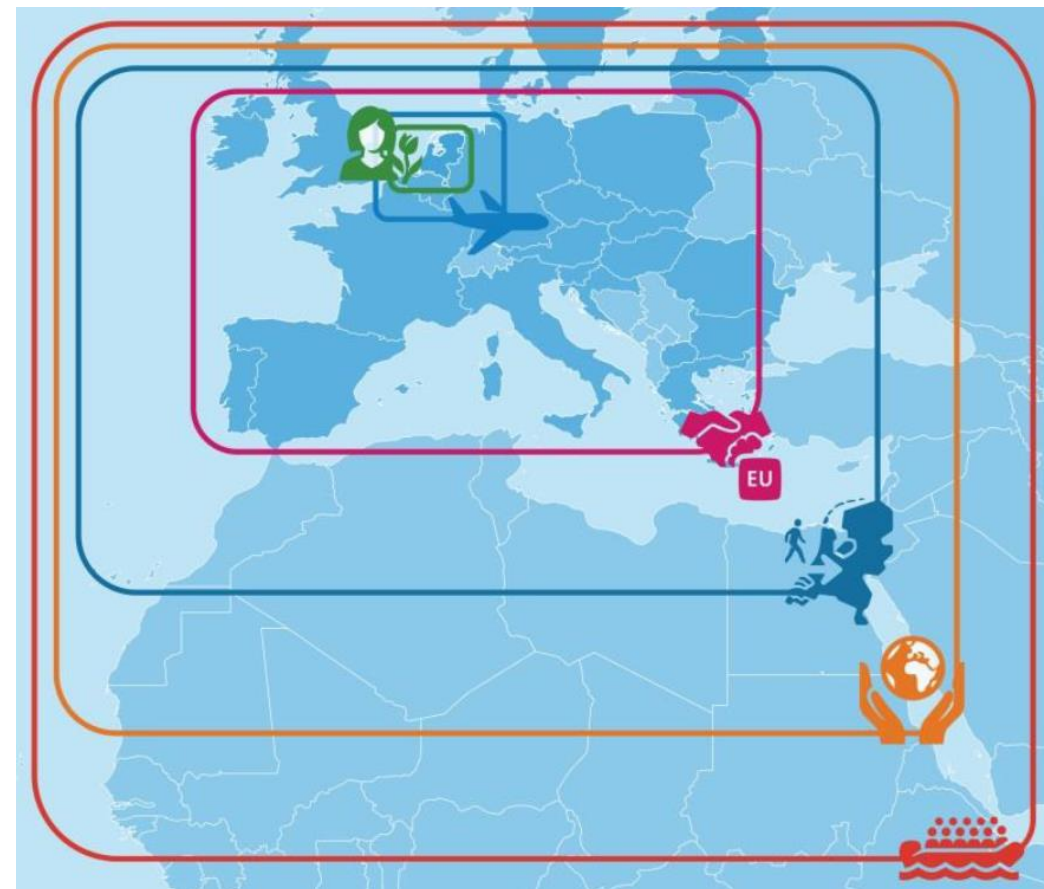
- I. Preventing irregular migration
- II. Improving reception and protection for refugees and displaced persons in the region
- V. Facilitating legal migration routes

Europe

- III. Achieving a robust asylum system, based on solidarity, in the EU and the Netherlands

Netherlands

- IV. Combatting illegal residence and stepping up returns
- VI. Encouraging integration and participation



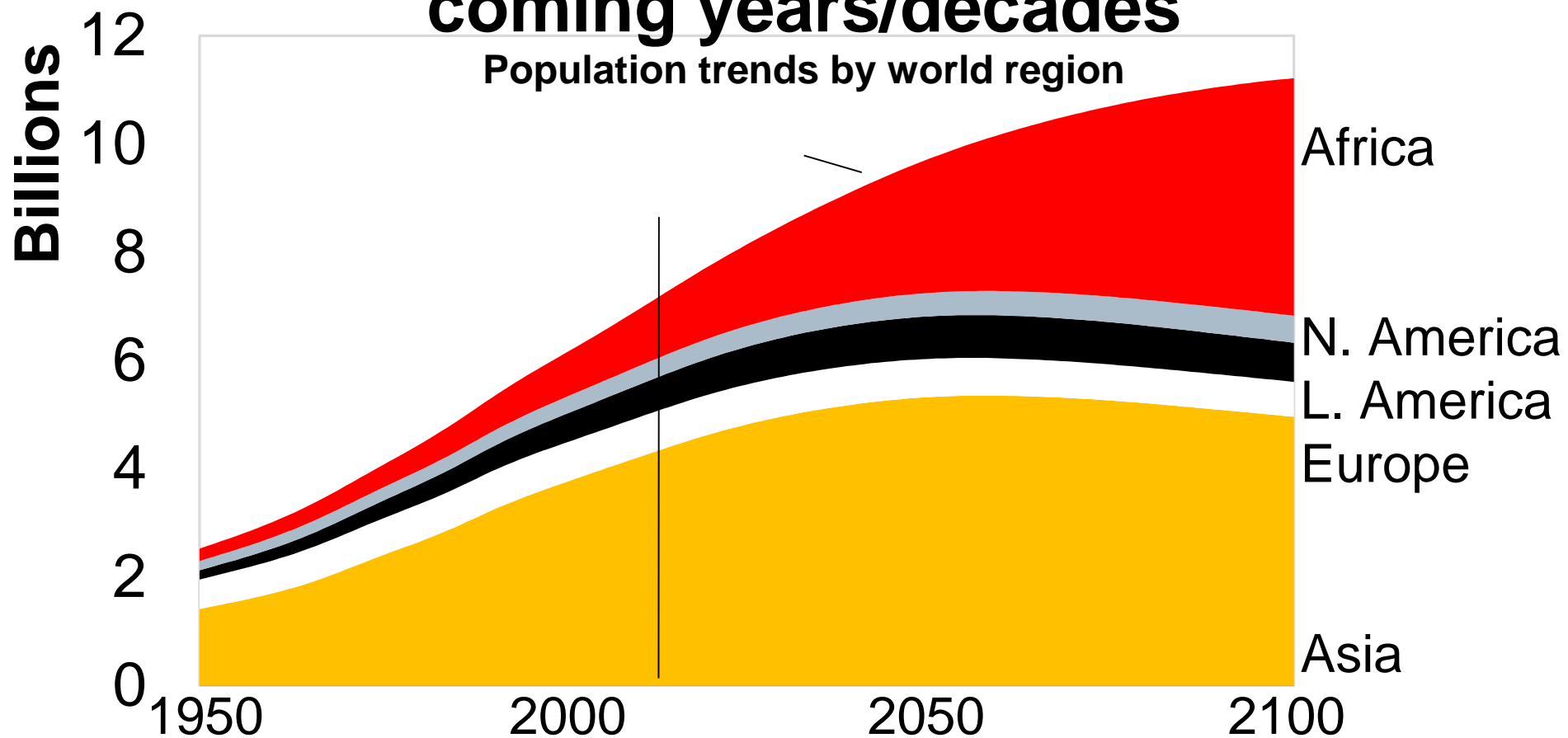


Root causes

Push factors	Pull factors	Opportunity factors
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Conflict, instability, lack of security, repression;2. Poor socioeconomic prospects;3. Climate change, severe environmental degradation, natural disasters.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. More work and income in destination countries;2. Possibility of legal residency permit (real or imagined);3. Snowball effect (diaspora);4. Difficult to return illegal migrants.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Declining poverty: money for travel;2. Better education;3. Lower transport costs;4. Access to smugglers, Opening of corridors (e.g. Libya);5. Digital revolution: Access to information.



Trend: migration will increase in coming years/decades

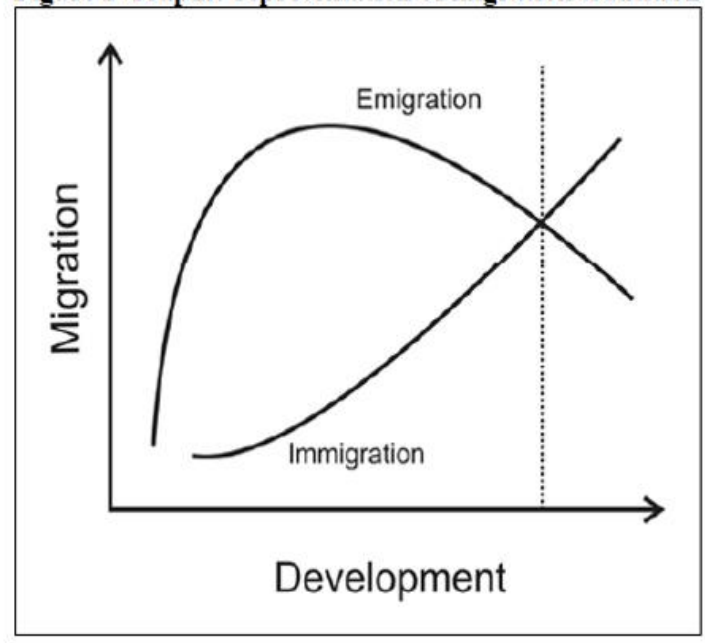




Migration hump

Migration Hump for Irregular Migration?

Figure 2 Graphic representation of migration transition theory



- “Hump theory” under discussion.
- Prospects and education main factors, rather than income.
- Irregular migration: higher costs, lower benefits, thus other hump.
- Development cooperation to improve prospects *does* seem to help to reduce irregular migration.
- Includes land restoration.



Migration, root causes and land restoration

- **Tackling root causes by investing in agro-food sector**
 - High growth potential
 - Labour intensive
 - Alternative source of income in regions dependent on smuggling
- **Land restoration:** land is scarce
- **Image problem of work in agriculture**
 - Youth don't want to become farmer
 - Work in desk jobs, ICT
 - Possible solution: technology, food processing?