
EUROPE'S POPULISTS PUSH FOR MIGRANT CLAMPDOWN AS TRUMP CRANKS UP RHETORIC

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From Hungarian strongman Viktor Orbán to Denmark's socialist Prime Minister Mette Frederiksen, Europe's leaders have one thing in common — an urge to clamp down on migration.

Orbán set the tone earlier this week by threatening to send migrants by bus to historic Grand Place in Brussels, a stone's throw from the European Union's institutions (borrowing from the playbook of Florida Governor Ron DeSantis, who starting in 2022 ordered that thousands of undocumented migrants be transported out of his state).

As far-right parties continue to notch electoral gains, other European leaders are also piling pressure on Brussels to get tougher on migration. France's newly installed prime minister, Michel Barnier, vowed last week to limit migration, while German Chancellor Olaf Scholz recently shut his country's external borders following a knife attack allegedly involving an asylum seeker.

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