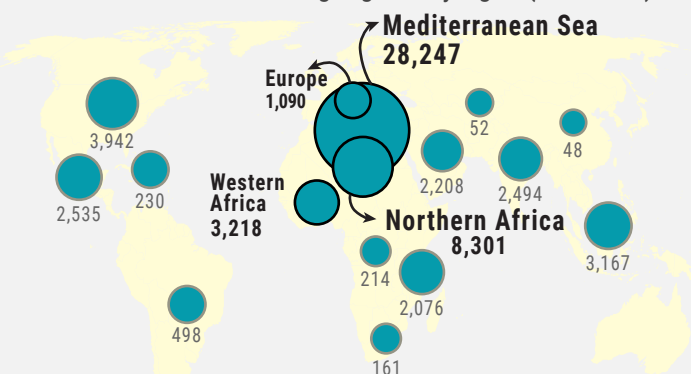




## Facilitate orderly, safe, regular and responsible migration and mobility of people

Tracking reported numbers of people who have died or gone missing in the process of irregular migration, including in migrant smuggling

Total number of dead or missing migrants by region (2014-2023)



Source : International Organization for Migration (IOM), 2023

▲ Globally, nearly **60,000 deaths and disappearances** of migrants have been recorded **since 2014**. **Over 6,000 people** have been recorded as dead or missing during **2023** alone. The majority of these deaths and disappearance occurred in or around the **Mediterranean Sea**, the **Caribbean Sea**, and **Gulf of Mexico**.

Total recorded number of dead or missing migrants enroute to Europe for regions of Mediterranean, Europe, Western Asia, Western Africa & Northern Africa (2014-2023)



Source : IOM, 2023

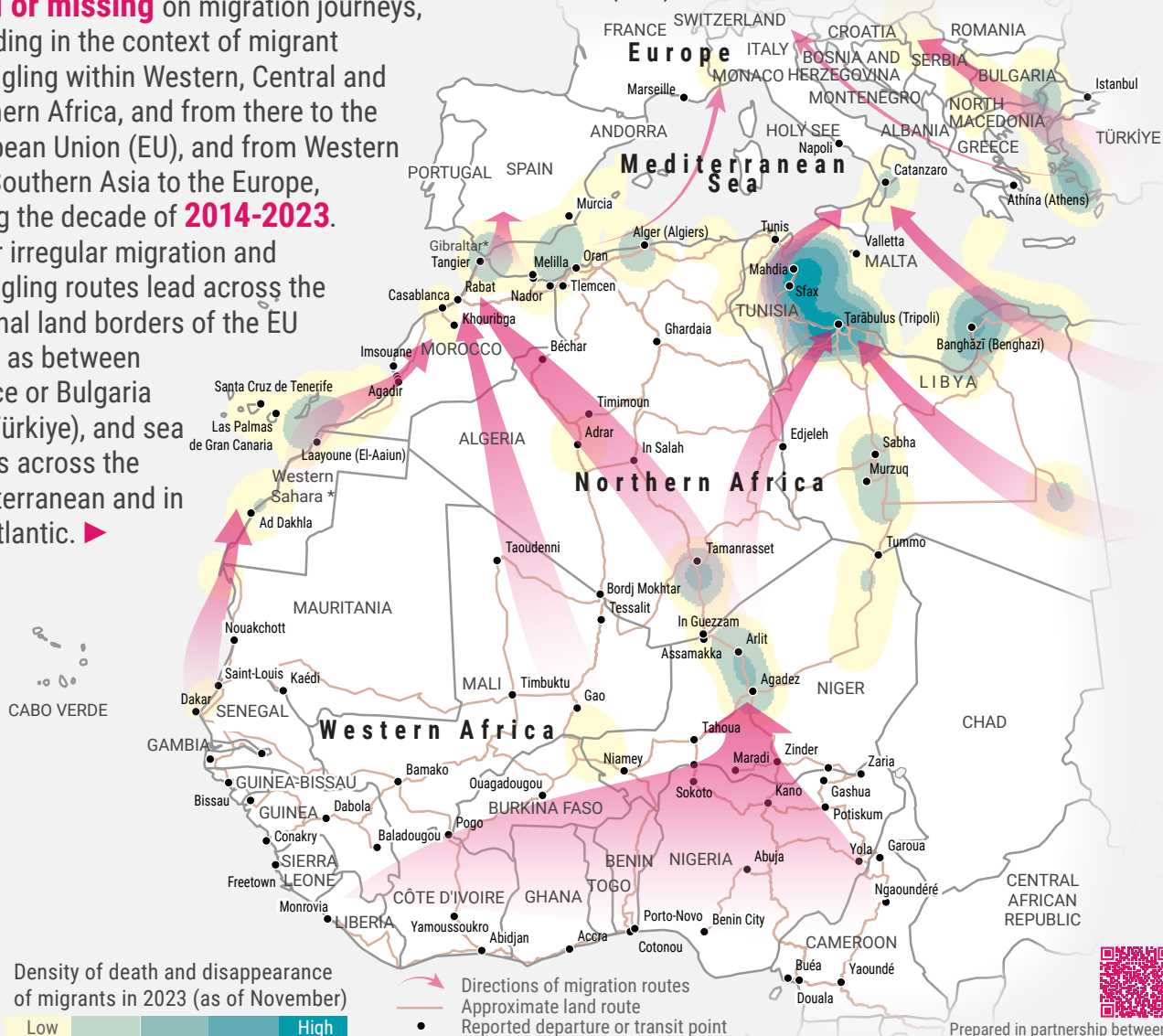


◀ A Moroccan patera boat carrying passengers from West and North Africa arrives at the Canary Islands (Spain) in 2021, after sailing from the Northwest African coast on the Atlantic Ocean.

Photo - Spanish National Police, 2021

Over **43,000 people** are recorded as **dead or missing** on migration journeys, including in the context of migrant smuggling within Western, Central and Northern Africa, and from there to the European Union (EU), and from Western and Southern Asia to the Europe, during the decade of **2014-2023**. Major irregular migration and smuggling routes lead across the external land borders of the EU (such as between Greece or Bulgaria and Türkiye), and sea routes across the Mediterranean and in the Atlantic. ►

Reported dead or missing migrants enroute to Europe from Western Africa and Northern Africa (2023)



Source : IOM, UNODC Observatory on Smuggling of Migrants, 2023

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