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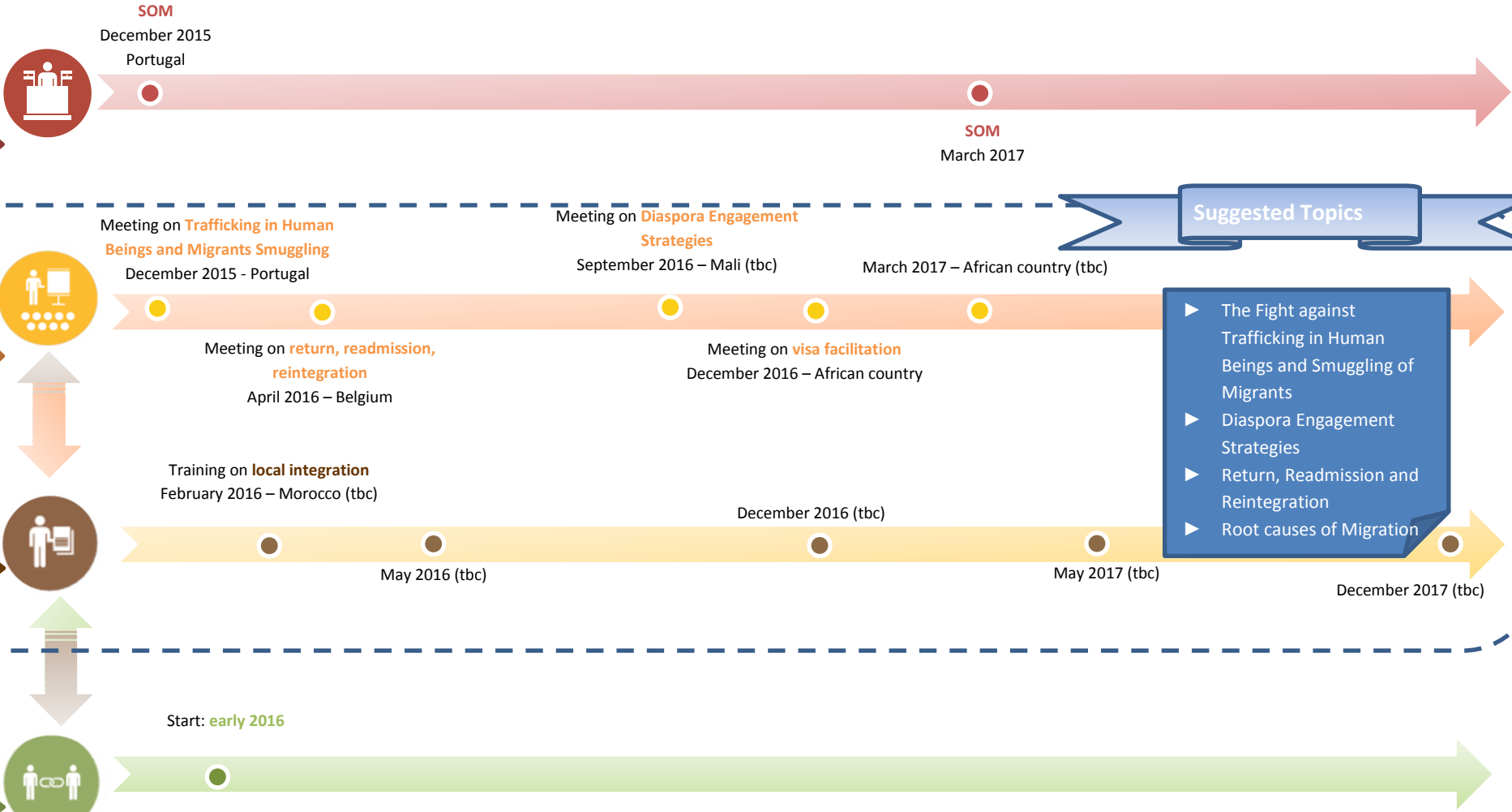| 2015		2016												2017											
2015 VALLETTA SUMMIT ON MIGRATION	DEC	JAN	FEV	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEV	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
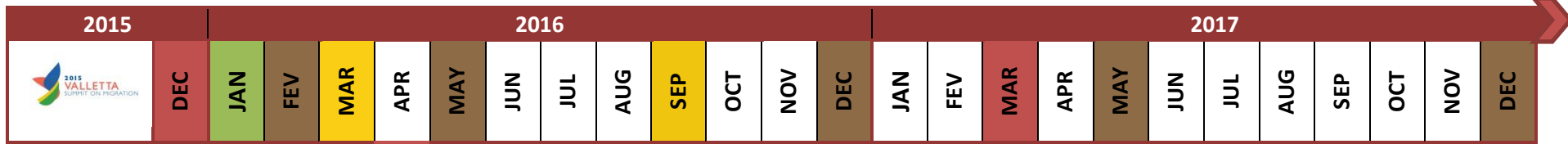
Provide high political level guidance on migration policies and initiatives

SOM
December 2015
Portugal

SOM
March 2017

Platform for regional technical coordination-strategic and concrete exchange of knowledge and experience with recommendations

Meeting on **Trafficking in Human Beings and Migrants Smuggling**
December 2015 - Portugal

Meeting on **Diaspora Engagement Strategies**
September 2016 – Mali (tbc)

March 2017 – African country (tbc)

Meeting on **return, readmission, reintegration**
April 2016 – Belgium

Meeting on **visa facilitation**
December 2016 – African country

Suggested Topics

► The Fight against Trafficking in Human Beings and Smuggling of Migrants
► Diaspora Engagement Strategies
► Return, Readmission and Reintegration
► Root causes of Migration

Regional Training Programme related to Thematic Meetings

Training on **local integration**
February 2016 – Morocco (tbc)

December 2016 (tbc)

May 2016 (tbc)

May 2017 (tbc)

December 2017 (tbc)

Dialogue Operationisation via Capacity Building actions

Start: **early 2016**

Senior Officials Meeting (SOM)

Training Sessions

Thematic Meetings

Facility Activities

The Rabat Process Policy Framework

- *Rome Declaration and Programme 2014-2017*
- *EU-Africa Declaration on Migration and Mobility*
- *Valletta Declaration and Action Plan*

THE FOUR THEMATIC PILLARS OF THE ROME PROGRAMME

Organising mobility and legal migration
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> Support regional mobility and facilitate exchanges between the various actors involved in mobility;
> Integrate the migration element in education and employment policies;
> Guarantee respect of migrants' rights;
> Protect, promote and facilitate the management of civil status and the issuance of identity and travel documents.

Improving border management and combating irregular migration
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> Support countries of origin, transit and destination in Africa in terms of preventing and managing irregular immigration;
> Strengthen operational cooperation in border management and readmission;
> Fight against criminal networks, human trafficking and migrant smuggling;
> Facilitate voluntary return and reintegration.

Strengthening the synergies between migration and development
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> Promote the positive potential of migration and of the diaspora, both for the country of origin and country of destination;
> Act on links between migration and the main challenges to development, in particular the consequences of environmental degradation, political instability, and food insecurity and poverty.

Promoting international protection
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> Reinforce legal, political and operational frameworks relating to international protection at national and regional levels;
> Develop capacities for reception, determination of status, management of secondary movements and implementation of durable solutions.

The Rome Programme: 2 areas of priority

Strengthening the link between **migration** and **development**;

The prevention and fight against **irregular migration** as well as related crimes.

Follow-up, monitor and implement the outcome of the Valetta Summit on Migration

Follow up of the Action Plan

▶ *Role of the Governance structure of the dialogue*
▶ *Creation of indicators, measures and reporting mechanisms*
▶ *Possible Ad hoc meetings*
▶ *Communication on progress and achievements*

Implementation

▶ *Identified actions*
▶ *Elaborated calendar and implementation methodology*
▶ *Implementation via the trust fund and regional financial instruments (Facility)*

Exchange of good practices with other Fora and dialogues on Migration

▶ *Synergies created with the Khartoum Process*
▶ *Synergies created with the Global Forum on Migration and Development*

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Euro-African Dialogue on Migration and Development

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