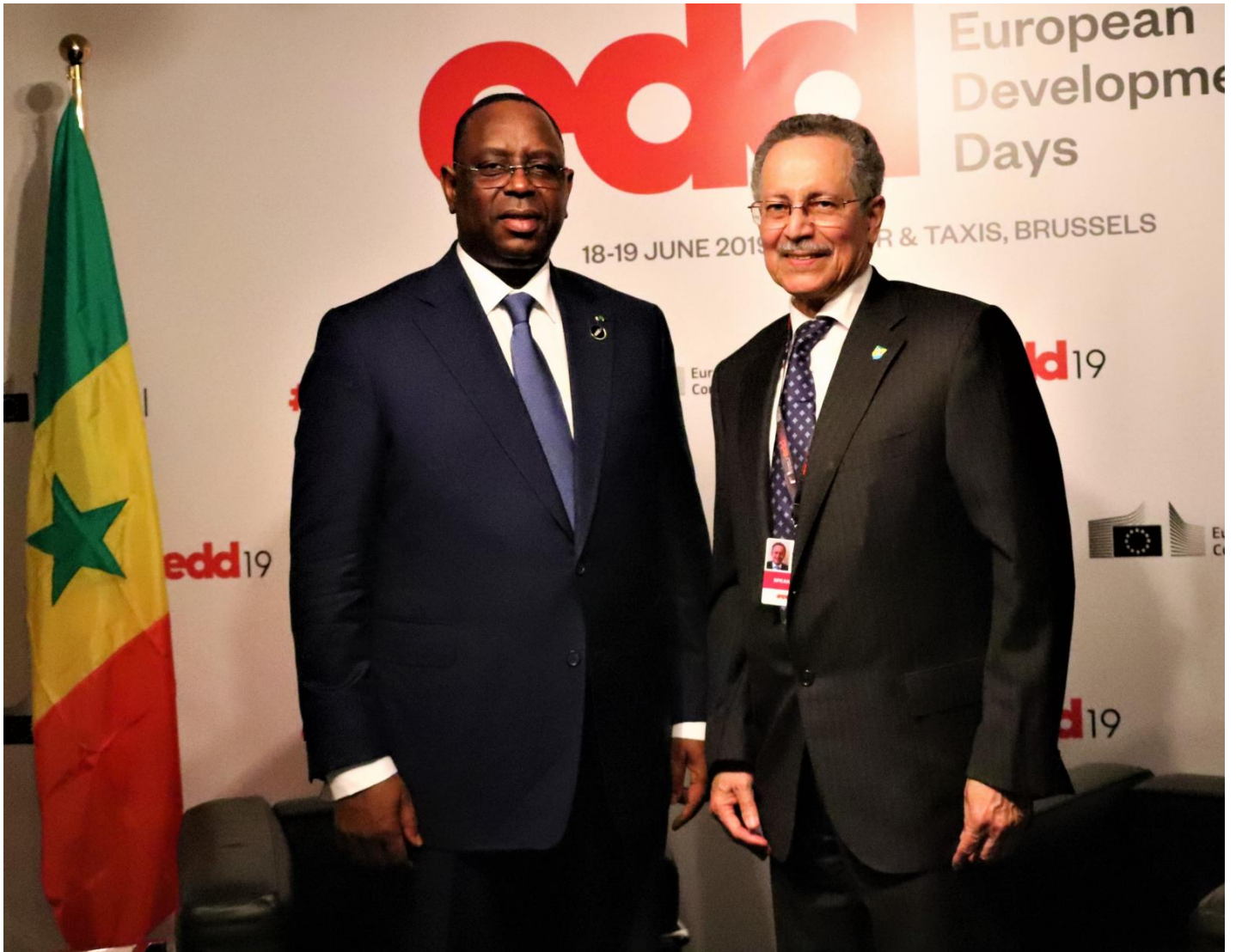


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The Secretary General of the African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) Group of States, Dr Patrick I. Gomes met with the recently-re-elected President of the Republic of Senegal, The Honourable Macky Sall on Day one of the European Development Days (EDDs) in Brussels, Belgium. Dr Gomes congratulated the President on his recent re-election and assured him of the ACP Group's continued support. He then expressed his profound appreciation for the leadership that Senegal has consistently played in advancing the strategic priorities of the ACP Group for the new partnership agreement with the European Union (EU).

The President in turn commended the ACP Secretariat on its efforts to advance the African, Caribbean and Pacific regions as a whole and highlighted the continued significance of the Group.

In discussing the ongoing negotiations, President Sall expressed an interest for the African Regional Protocols to be strongly rooted in the Foundation of the Post-Cotonou Agreement and conveyed his confidence in the progress of the ongoing negotiations to date.

The meeting was one of many high-level engagements undertaken by the ACP Group during



the EDDs, themed, 'Addressing inequalities: Building a world which leaves no one behind', which took place on the 18 and 19 June at Tour and Taxis in Brussels, Belgium. The ACP Group, in keeping with the overall theme of the event, hosted a number of stands and Debate Labs on the topics of inclusive trade growth, climate change inequality and partnerships for broad-based and inclusive economic development in ACP countries.

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