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Info-Plattform der antirassistischen Bewegung

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## DEAR FRIENDS!

The terror of deportations appears both merciless and boundless. In June 2021, a total of 20 (!) charter flights were counted from Germany alone in order to get people out of the country by force and violence. The Deportation Alert (<https://noborderassembly.blackblogs.org/de/abschiebe-alarm/>) comprehensively documents these border crimes and also repeatedly calls for protests, such as the occupation of the entrances to the Lufthansa headquarters in Berlin on 19 July.



*Kundgebung gegen Abschiebung im Juni in Wiesbaden*

Frontex is significantly involved in the coordination and financing of these charters of shame. The abolition of this agency, which is constantly involved in human rights violations at the internal and external borders of the EU, remains a central demand of anti-racist struggles. Abolish Frontex (<https://abolishfrontex.org>) is the title of a current campaign that was also recently presented in Palermo.

Palermo had already focused on the right to freedom of movement with its charter from 2015. With a remarkable mayor who already invited to transnational meetings in 2018 and called for corridors of solidarity in a statement. And who continuously - especially in Salvini's time - advocates for open ports and gives honorary citizenship to captains of rescue ships. The Palermo Charter Platform Process started here three years ago, with follow-up meetings in Naples, Barcelona and Bologna. With two working groups that created their own dynamics and structures in 2020/21.



25. Juni 2021 in Palermo

coast guards, militias, border police and, again and again, Frontex.

On the one hand, the Civil MRCC (<https://civilmrcc.eu>), a civilian rescue coordination in the central Mediterranean, has been developed in operational cooperation at sea. Active members of the Alarm Phone hotline as well as rescue ships and surveillance aircraft leave no stone unturned to support the people on the boats in reaching a safe port in Europe. Every day, around the clock, against the push backs, against the non- assistance and against being left to die at sea by

Secondly, the "From Sea to City Consortium" was founded to promote exchange and new cooperation between civil society actors and mayors and city councils on a transnational level. At the end of June 2021, "From the Sea to the City" (<https://fromseatocity.eu>) in Palermo succeeded in launching the "International Alliance of Safe Havens" in a hybrid conference with 33 mayors from different countries - with the central demand of implementing an independent, municipal refugee reception of the cities and municipalities willing to do so.

Finally, a larger meeting is being prepared for September 2021 in the Sicilian capital, the Palermo Convergence (<https://trans-border.net/index.php/palermo-convergence-2021/>). With planned parallel meetings (probably) in Tunis and (certainly) in Dakar, physical, collective spaces for discussion and reflection should finally be created again, in order to inspire each other both practically and visionarily: for the current and coming struggles against the violence of borders and for the right to freedom of movement!

In this spirit: with solidarity greetings,  
the Kompass Crew



## DATES AND INFORMATION ON JULY AND AUGUST 2021

### HUNGERSTRIKE OF SANS PAPIERS IN BRUSSELS



„Since May 23, 475 so-called undocumented migrants (“sans-papiers” in French) have been on hunger strike in Brussels. They hope to draw the attention of the Belgian authorities to their situation and to obtain a Belgian residence permit, which they have

been refused for five, 10, 15 or even - for some - more than 20 years. While the hunger strikers’ health condition has been “critical” since the end of June, according to the NGO Médecins du Monde, the Belgian government remains deaf to their calls for help. The strikers say they are ready to “go all the way.”

These men and women come mainly from North Africa but also from Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Nepal. They have been living in Belgium for many years and have, for the most part, worked for low wages and contributed to the country’s wealth. They therefore describe themselves as “unregistered citizens.” Their precarious condition, aggravated by the COVID-19 pandemic, pushed them in January 2021 to organize themselves into a collective called the Undocumented Migrants’ Union for Regularization (USPR in French). The collective quickly decided to occupy various symbolic places in Brussels in order to make their struggle visible and to assert their rights, and began to demonstrate three times a week in the streets of the capital...”

**FULL TEXT HERE:**

[HTTPS://SOCIALISTRESURGENCE.ORG/2021/07/16/BELGIUM-UNDOCUMENTED-MIGRANTS-ON-HUNGER-STRIKE-IN-BRUSSELS/](https://socialistresurgence.org/2021/07/16/belgium-undocumented-migrants-on-hunger-strike-in-brussels/)

**WEITERER BERICHT HIER:**

[HTTPS://MOSAIK-BLOG.AT/BELGIEN-SANS-PAPIERS-HUNGERSTREIK/](https://mosaik-blog.at/belgien-sans-papiers-hungerstreik/)

### DEPORTATION ALARM

Last updated on 21.7.2021

#### UPCOMING ALARMS

!! Charter deportation to Nigeria on 27.7.2021 !!

!! Charter deportation to Pakistan on 28.7.2021 !!

!! Charter deportation to Afghanistan on 10.8.2021 !!

!! Charter deportation to Kosovo on 26.8.2021 from Karlsruhe Baden-Baden !!

!! Charter deportation to Ghana on 29.9.2021 !!

**FURTHER INFORMATION:**

[HTTPS://NOBORDERASSEMBLY.BLACKBLOGS.ORG/DE/ABSCHIEBE-ALARM/](https://noborderassembly.blackblogs.org/de/abschiebe-alarm/)



## **LUFTHANSA #ABSCHIEBEFREI SURROUND THE OFFICE OF DEPORTATION PROFITEERS**

Lufthansa, the biggest deportation profiteer in Germany. Let them not get away with their dirty business. On Monday, 19 July, we will take the 2 entrances of their main Berlin office during the end of their workday. In two officially registered rallies, their employees will have to go through us to get home. Let's be loud and let's be clear: until Lufthansa publicly takes a stand against structural racism and stops their collaboration with the German deportation machine, we will continue to confront them.

[HTTPS://NOBORDERASSEMBLY.BLACKBLOGS.ORG/DE/KALENDER/?EVENT\\_ID1=2191](https://NOBORDERASSEMBLY.BLACKBLOGS.ORG/DE/KALENDER/?EVENT_ID1=2191)

## **13.08.-15.08.2021 WE`LL COME UNITED SUMMER MEETING IN BRANDENBURG**

In mid-August, activists from the We`ll Come United network in Brandenburg want to come together for a summer meeting to exchange information about the state of local struggles and to discuss common perspectives.

**IF YOU ARE INTERESTED, PLEASE REGISTER AT THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS AND ASK FOR DETAILS:**

**CONTACT: [COMMUNITY@WELCOME-UNITED.ORG](mailto:COMMUNITY@WELCOME-UNITED.ORG)**

## **ZAPATISTAS AUF EUROPA-TOUR**



"How will the trip be organised and who is involved in coordinating it? As things stand, a delegation of compañer@s from the Ejército Zapatista de Liberación Nacional (EZLN), the Congreso Nacional Indígena (CNI) and the Frente de Pueblos en Defensa del Agua y la Tierra de Morelos, Tlaxcala y Puebla (FPDTA-MPT) will visit Europe from be-

low and to the left from July to October 2021. The Zapatistas are expected to send 120 people, about 100 of them women. The whole delegation will probably consist of 160 people, who will also be divided between different places in the course of the trip. Exactly when, for how long and with how many compañer@s they will be visiting Germany has not yet been decided. On 22 June, the Zapatista vanguard landed in Vigo, Galicia, after a six-week crossing. In the course of July, another 150 compas are expected in Paris. There, the European agenda for the trip will be worked out with delegates from all regions. It is expected that 5 delegations of 25-30 Compas each will travel to 5 different zones of Europe at the same time. We are part of the German-Francophone zone. The visa for Europe is only valid for 3 months, but possibly more "waves" of Compas will follow.

The delegation wants to "celebrate" the 13th of August, 500th anniversary of the alleged Conquista, in Madrid. Mobilisation is to take place throughout Europe, and at the same time decentralised actions are to take place..."

More here:



<https://www.ya-basta-netz.org/reise-orga/>  
[https://radiozapatista.org/?page\\_id=3365&lang=en](https://radiozapatista.org/?page_id=3365&lang=en)

First info: Get ready! 'Day Z' is going to be a Saturday this summer: **Demonstration & actions "For Life, Against Capitalism" with the Zapatist@s in Frankfurt a.M.**

Dear all, Companer@s,

as you may have heard, the vanguard of the Zapatist@s has at last disembarked safely from their ship Montana (aka Steel Rat) at Vigo/State of Spain on Tuesday, June 23rd, 2021! 500 years after the colonialist subjugation of Mexiko they are going to visit the European continent for the first time in the course of their "Journey for Life". Their journey will also lead them to the financial metropolis of Frankfurt. Therefore, we are planning a nationwide demonstration - with European participation!: "For Life, Against Capitalism". (...)

We do not now the exact date of Day Z as of yet. But we're aiming for a Saturday. We do know it won't be August 13th, as the delegation will be in Madrid on that day. We also know that there's a lot going on this summer; nonetheless we are convinced that - in the face of the global increase of exploitation and the escalation of the social division between poor and (super)rich, climate collapse and species extinction - it is an opportunity for us - together with the Zapatist@s in Frankfurt, at a nexus of global flows of power - to open up a new horizon to another possible world, which offers space for many new worlds!..."

#### 04.09.2021 BERLIN: INDIVISIBLE DEMONSTRATION



#INDIVISIBLE - FOR A JUST AND SOLIDARY SOCIETY!  
Call for the #indivisible demonstration on 4 September 2021 in Berlin.  
„Political and social grievances have dramatically escalated in the past year. Worldwide, the pandemic made it ob-

vious what is wrong with society. In Germany, too, more and more people are affected by poverty or have existential fears. At the same time, the effects of climate change are becoming more and more threatening. While misanthropy and racism are increasingly gaining approval, people are dying every day at the EU's external borders.

Right now is the moment to take #indivisible to the streets: Let's stop the social division of society and the worsening of the climate crisis! Let's fight for a society in which all people can live self-determined lives without fear and in which the well-being of all is central! In the run-up to the elections, we make it unmistakably clear: we will not allow social justice, human rights and climate protection to be played off against each other..."

FULL CALL HERE:

[HTTPS://WWW.UNTEILBAR.ORG/BERLIN-DEMO-2021/](https://www.unteilbar.org/berlin-demo-2021/)



## HANAU - INITIATIVE 19 FEBRUARY

#saytheirnames - News from the „Laden“ No. 3 -July 2021



„Dear friends

In our third newsletter we would like to inform you about the latest news on our four demands for remembrance, justice, clarification and consequences. With the enforcement of the committee of enquiry in the state parliament in

Wiesbaden and the promise that the Hanau families will be given special consideration in the Hessian victims' fund, the strong and sustained voices from Hanau have won two small victories.

But before we report on this and other things, let's take a brief look back at 19 June, when about 700 cyclists gathered for the joint final rally on Freiheitsplatz. Despite the heat on that day, cycling groups set out from seven starting points, forming an impressive "Ride to Remember" star for Hanau. Guest speeches by the mayor of Hanau, a representative of IG Metall and an activist from the umbrella organisation of victim counselling centres supported the demands of the nine families, while they themselves took the floor and renewed their accusations and criticisms of the failure of the authorities and police before, during and after the night of the crime.

**ALL SPEECHES CAN BE LISTENED TO ON THE YOUTUBE CHANNEL OF THE 19 FEBRUARY INITIATIVE:**

[HTTPS://WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/WATCH?V=MYNJ7Y63GVG](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MYNJ7Y63GVG)

**YOU CAN DOWNLOAD THE COMPLETE NEWSLETTER AS A PDF HERE:**

[HTTPS://19FEB-HANAU.ORG/2021/07/16/SAYTHEIRNAMES-NEWSLETTER-03/](https://19FEB-HANAU.ORG/2021/07/16/SAYTHEIRNAMES-NEWSLETTER-03/)

**FURTHER INFORMATION: [HTTPS://19FEB-HANAU.ORG](https://19FEB-HANAU.ORG)**

## DEPORTATIONS AFGHANISTAN



Statement des afghanischen Ministry of Refugees and Repatriations vom 11.07.2021

<https://morr.gov.af/en/node/3938>

**Declaration Of MoRR Related To Stop Of Forced Return From Europe Temporarily**



The escalation of violence by the terrorist group of Taliban in the country and the spread of the third wave of the COVID-19 have caused much economic and social unrest and created many challenges for the people.

Considering the security situation in the country, the Ministry of Refugees and Repatriations is concerned about the return of Afghan migrants and does not consider the current situation in the country conducive for the forced return of Afghan migrants until the security situation improves.

The leadership of the Ministry of Refugees and Repatriations has repeatedly expressed its strong reservations with host countries and international agencies in this regard. Therefore, as a result of these efforts and after the consultation with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Office of the National Security Council, the Ministry of Refugees and Repatriations has stopped the forced return of Afghan migrants from the EU and other European countries for the next three months.

The Afghan government has officially informed the host countries to stop the deportation from 08 July 2021 onwards.

The Government of Afghanistan took this action in relation to the Joint Declaration between Afghanistan and the European Union on Cooperation in the Field of Migration (JDMC), the Joint Declaration with Germany on Cooperation in the Field of Migration, and the bilateral and trilateral Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) with Sweden, Norway, Finland, and France as well as Denmark, the United Kingdom, Switzerland, and the Netherlands.

Additionally, the Ministry of Refugees and Repatriations considers forced return as inappropriate in light of the increasing number of internally displaced people and due to aforementioned deteriorating security situation which led to a new wave of migration abroad.

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION ON DEPORTATIONS TO AFGHANISTAN**

[HTTPS://WWW1.WDR.DE/DASERSTE/MONITOR/SENDUNGEN/AFGHANISTAN-182.HTML](https://www1.wdr.de/daserste/monitor/sendungen/afghanistan-182.html)

[HTTPS://AFGHANISTAN.NOT-SAFE.DE](https://afghanistan.not-safe.de)

[HTTPS://WWW.PROASYL.DE/THEMA/UNSICHERES-AFGHANISTAN/](https://www.proasyl.de/thema/unsicheres-afghanistan/)

[HTTPS://WWW.NDS-FLUERAT.ORG/49757/AKTUELLES/ERNEUTE-SAMMELABSCHIEBUNG-AUS-HANNOVER-NACH-AFGHANISTAN/](https://www.nds-fluerat.org/49757/aktuelles/erneute-sammelabschiebung-aus-hannover-nach-afghanistan/)

[HTTPS://THRUTTIG.WORDPRESS.COM](https://thruttig.wordpress.com)

#### **SEA WATCH DOCUMENTS ATTACKS ON REFUGEE BOAT**

##### **„So-called Libyan Coast Guard firing shots at migrant boat in distress“**

Last Wednesday, 30.06.2021, the crew of our reconnaissance aircraft Seabird witnessed a brutal attack by the so-called Libyan Coast Guard on 50 people in distress at sea:

Summary of the incident

During a mission with our reconnaissance aircraft Seabird on 30 June 2021, we overheard a message at 13:39 UTC about a distress at sea within the Maltese search and rescue zone: “50 people, many children”.





*Credit: Sea Watch*

Seabird flew in the direction of the case and spotted the ship "PB 648 – Ras Jadir" of the so-called Libyan Coast Guard. The Ras Jadir vessel was one of four boats donated by Italy to the so-called Libyan Coast Guard in May 2017.

A few minutes later, at 14:11 UTC, we found a blue wooden boat with about 50 people on board in the Maltese search and rescue zone. We informed the relevant authorities in Malta by email and phone about the distress case.

They told us that they would not

come to the aid of the refugees for the time being but would "take up investigations". Finally, they hung up when we informed them that a possible imminent pushback to Libya by the nearby ship Ras Jadir would be against the law.

A short time later, we witnessed a brutal attack by the so-called Libyan Coast Guard and were able to capture it on film before we had to leave the scene due to lack of fuel. On our video footage, you can clearly see the so-called Libyan Coast Guard firing two shots in the direction of the wooden boat with 50 people on board – including many children. Several times the crew of the Ras Jadir throws objects at the people on board and tries to ram the wooden boat and "catch" it with a rope.

[HTTPS://SEA-WATCH.ORG/EN/LIBYAN\\_COAST\\_GUARD\\_SHOTS\\_FIRED/](https://sea-watch.org/en/libyan_coast_guard_shots_fired/)

## **BALKANBRÜCKE NEWSLETTER FROM JULY 2021**

"Dear supporters, also in the fifth issue of our newsletter we unfortunately have to talk about pushbacks again. Unfortunately, this topic, which conceals terrible fates and practices, remains highly topical and very present on the Balkan route. On the one hand, an association of German, Swiss, Austrian and Croatian media filmed and published the systematic transfer of pushbacks from Croatia to Bosnia. On the other hand, there was an important judgement in Austria on so-called chain pushbacks, which take place from Austria to Bosnia.

(...)

In a landmark ruling, the Regional Administrative Court of Styria now confirms that pushbacks of people fleeing to Slovenia are illegal and that they are partly "methodically applied" in Austria. The judgement once again confirms: Illegal pushbacks at the EU's external borders have a system and thus confirms the brutal reality of the European border regime. Borderless Europe? The practices show: both at the EU's external borders and at the EU's internal borders, people are systematically disenfranchised, serious human rights violations are committed and principles of the rule of law are ignored.(...)



At the end of June, SPIEGEL, in cooperation with a Swiss team of reporters and other international media, published video footage documenting the systematic nature of illegal pushbacks for the first time in this form. (...)

**FOR ALL THOSE WHO MISSED THE PREVIOUS ISSUES OF THE NEWSLETTER, YOU CAN READ THEM IN OUR NEWSLETTER ARCHIVE:**

[HTTPS://PHPLIST.BALKANBRUECKE.ORG/LISTS/LT.PHP?](https://phplist.balkanbruecke.org/lists/lt.php?)

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## NEW CAMPAIGN: ABOLISH FRONTEX



„Frontex is the European Union’s border agency and is a key actor in enforcing the EU’s border regime. It is responsible for systemic human rights violations through its operations; involvement in deportations; cooperation with third countries, and role in strengthening EU borders.

The EU’s border policies are inherently racist and reinforce colonial and capitalist power structures. It’s time to abolish Frontex and the system it represents.

Abolish Frontex.

Abolish the EU border regime.

The militarised policies of Fortress Europe have killed over 44,764 people since 1993.

Drowned in the Mediterranean; shot at borders; died by suicide at detention centers, tortured and killed after being deported – the EU has blood on its hands.

Frontex is the European Union’s border police force. It is a key actor in the EU’s war on people who move.

Frontex is the largest EU agency. With a 5.6 billion euro budget, Frontex will soon have an army of 10,000 border guards able to own and use firearms. Across and beyond the EU, the agency deploys ships, planes, drones, patrol cars, and radars; it takes active part in deportations; it helps third countries surveil and police people on the move. It’s time to abolish Frontex and the system it represents...”

[HTTPS://ABOLISHFRONTEX.ORG](https://abolishfrontex.org)

## CENTRAL MEDITERRANEAN: PUSH BACK COLLABORATION BY A CARGO SHIP

Shipping Company Vroon Complicit In Forced Return: the Vos Triton Returns 170 People To Libya In An Illegal Push-Back By Proxy

June 29, 2021

**A report by Mediterranea Saving Humans, Sea Watch, WatchTheMed - Alarm Phone**





Credit: Sea Watch

On 14 June 2021, after being rescued by the merchant vessel Vos Triton in international waters, about 170 people were handed over to the so-called Libyan coastguard and returned to Libya in what can be called a 'pushback by proxy'. The survivors, who had decided to risk their lives to escape Libya, should have been brought to a Place of Safety as is prescribed by international maritime law. Instead, they were placed in detention upon arrival in Libya, a

country which is not recognised neither as a safe country, nor as a Place of Safety by the international community, and known to subject detainees to systematic forms of intentional violence, including sexual violence such as rape and torture. Only a week after this forced return to Libya, the organisation MSF decided to withdraw their operations in two detentions centres in Tripoli, due to the unacceptable forms of violence detainees are subjected to.

Whilst every month thousands of people are forcibly captured at sea and returned to these violent conditions, this case is particularly alarming because of the involvement of a merchant vessel, the Vos Triton, owned by the Dutch company Vroon, whose Italian office is responsible for the ship, and flying the Gibraltar flag. This case constitutes yet another illegal pushback to Libya facilitated by a private actor (see a similar event on 2 May 2021). It is yet another violation of international maritime law – because as Libya is not a Place of Safety, the people's rescue cannot be considered as concluded – human rights and asylum law at Europe's borders.

We demand an end to these orchestrated human rights violations in the Central Mediterranean Sea and at all European borders, either perpetuated directly by European authorities or by delegation to Libyan authorities or private companies. We demand a re-establishment of the currently non-existent state rescue program to Europe. We also demand an end to this violent border regime that forces people to risk their lives to reach safety, in favour of the right to escape safely and of freedom of movement for all.

What follows is a brief summary of the case, followed by a more detailed timeline of the events that led to the pushback..."

**FULL REPORT HERE:**

**[HTTPS://ALARMPHONE.ORG/EN/2021/06/29/SHIPPING-COMPANY-VROON-COMPLICIT-IN-FORCED-RETURN/?POST\\_TYPE\\_RELEASE\\_TYPE=POST](https://alarmphone.org/en/2021/06/29/shipping-company-vroon-complicit-in-forced-return/?post_type_release_type=post)**

## **TRANSNATIONAL SOCIAL STRIKE PLATFORM: THE CLASH ON MOBILITY IN TRANSNATIONAL EUROPE**

„We publish the second part of a statement on the transformations and clashes that are making mobility and migrant labor a key field of struggle in transnational Europe (read here the first part). In this text we focus on the way in which the proliferation of proto-



cols for regulating labor mobility aimed at facilitating the exploitation of migrant labor adds to the dynamics of asylum in shattering the image of a common migrant condition, and the need to organizing collective struggles within the conflict over mobility.



In the first part of this publication we argued that the apparent strengthening of the EU's external borders does not correspond to a return to Fortress Europe. As we highlighted, it increasingly ties migrant mobility to the demands of a highly differentiated labor market. The new European Pact on Immigration limits the right to asylum because it is currently the

only way that non-European migrants can legally enter an EU state without already being "bound" to an employer or a recruitment agency. As we have already made clear, this does not prevent migrants from finding new ways to challenge European borders but in relation to the discussions on asylum, it seems that Europe aspires to become an off-limits territory for migrants through the process of paying some neighboring states to block migrants before they can even reach the Schengen area. We argue that Labor mobility continues to implicate transnational Europe and makes asylum seekers themselves a new resource to be exploited...."

**FULL TEXT HERE:**

**[HTTPS://WWW.TRANSNATIONAL-STRIKE.INFO/2021/07/15/THE-CONFLICT-OVER-MOBILITY-IN-A-TRANSNATIONAL-EUROPE-2-REGULAR-MIGRATION-LOGISTICAL-FANTASIES-AND-COLLECTIVE-CONTESTATION/](https://www.transnational-strike.info/2021/07/15/the-conflict-over-mobility-in-a-transnational-europe-2-regular-migration-logistical-fantasies-and-collective-contestation/)**

## REVIEW

### FROM SEA TO CITIES CONFERENCE IN PALERMO



All events and workshops on video here:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCNDqXZXGxOkd9FIgotnojkw/videos>

The common Statement of the new international alliance for safe harbors:

<https://staedte-sicherer-haefen.de/wp-content/uploads/>

2021/06/IASH-Statement\_International-Alliance-of-Safe-Harbours\_ENG.pdf

Further information: <https://fromseacity.eu>



## OUTLOOK

### **15.09. - 19.09.2021 PALERMO AND DAKAR CONVERGENCE**

From 15 to 19 September, a convergence of different actors of civil society and social movements will take place in Palermo, which - "from the Sea to the Cities" - are involved in support, rescue and solidarity structures, especially in the Mediterranean region but also beyond on the routes of refugees and migrants. During four days, "practices and visions" of the struggle for the right to freedom of movement will be discussed together, different experiences of at least the last ten years will be evaluated and concrete plans for the future will be made. In view of the further tightening of visa restrictions by Corona, we have had to abandon the original idea of inviting a larger number of activists from human rights organisations in North and West African countries. Instead, in addition to the meeting point in Palermo, we are preparing smaller parallel meeting points (probably) in Tunis and (at least) in Dakar, where activists will meet for collective debates.

**REGISTRATION IS ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY FOR PARTICIPATION.**

**CONTACT AND FURTHER INFORMATION ON THE PLANNED PROGRAMME HERE:**

**INFO@PALERMOCONVERGENCE21.NET**

**[HTTPS://TRANS-BORDER.NET/INDEX.PHP/PALERMO-CONVERGENCE-2021/](https://trans-border.net/index.php/palermo-convergence-2021/)**

