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# KOMPASS



Info-Plattform der antirassistischen Bewegung

**9 and 10 December in Geneva: Protest and demonstration in front of UNHCR headquarters +++ New information on the racist massacre in Melilla +++ Aegean: further murder at the external border +++ Central Med: Echoes no. 3 published +++ New newspaper of Afrique-Europe-Interact +++ Overview figures of Frontex and UNHCR on 2022 +++ Review: Demonstration in Dortmund in memory of Mouhamed Lamine Dramé; Youth without Borders on IMK in Munich +++ Outlook: Decentralised Commemorations on 6 February 2023; Transnational Social Strike meeting on 10-12 February 2023 in Frankfurt ...**

## DEAR FRIENDS!



On the occasion of International Human Rights Day on 10 December 2022, a special mobilisation is taking place in Switzerland. Refugees in Libya, in cooperation with the transnational solidarity network, is calling for a joint demonstration in front of the UNHCR headquarters. "From Tripoli to Geneva" the demands for evacuation, justice and security are to be carried. The background is a "historic act of self-organisation under the harshest conditions": a more than 100-day sit-in protest of up to 5000 refugees from October 2021 to January 2022 in front

of the UNHCR building in Libya.

Some of the speakers and participants have made it to Europe in the meantime and will be leading in organising the press conference on 9 December and the subsequent rally. They will present their experiences and their criticism of the UNHCR in speeches and with video projections. unfairagency.org has meanwhile been activated as a new platform of accusation against this UN organisation, whose actual mandate is the protection of refugees, but which has increasingly mutated into an instrument of the EU border regime, especially in North Africa.





The Solibus will leave Berlin on 8 December and travel via Frankfurt and Freiburg to Geneva - and tickets are still available at short notice! Support groups from Italy, France and especially Switzerland are mobilising for the two-day protest in Geneva. The common goal is to make the voices of those who are still being held in closed camps after the eviction in January 2022 unmistakable on Human Rights Day in the UN capital and to give more visibility to the struggles and demands of the refugees in Libya.

On a personal note: the next Kompass will be published at the end of January 2023, in time to promote the decentralised CommemorActions on 6 February.

Until then, with solidarity greetings,  
the Kompass crew



## DATES AND INFORMATION FOR DECEMBER 2022

### 09. + 10.12.2022 GENEVA: PROTEST AND DEMONSTRATION IN FRONT OF UNHCR HEADQUARTERS



<http://unfairagency.org> - under this name and with a logo that looks not unlike that of the UNHCR, a new website went online at the beginning of November. Here you can find videos of refugees who have themselves experienced the UNHCR's unfair

practices, background information and, last but not least, appeals and practical information about the two days of action in Geneva:

"We will start the protests on 9 December 2022, at 10.00 am CET with a press conference followed by a sit-in that will last at least 24 hours. The central speeches will be given by speakers from the group "Refugees in Libya", some of whom have been able to reach Europe in the meantime.

We will organise a 24-hour programme with information on the situation and struggles of refugees and migrants in North Africa.

The next day, 10 December 2022, we call for a demonstration starting at 13:00 CET with a renewed gathering in front of the UNHCR building (94 Rue de Montbrillant)."

**FROM BERLIN, THE SOLIBUS WILL TRAVEL TO GENEVA ON 8.12. THERE ARE ALSO BUSES AND CAR-POOLS FOR THE DEMONSTRATION FROM SWITZERLAND AND ITALY. MORE INFORMATION HERE:**

**[HTTP://UNFAIRAGENCY.ORG/CALL-TO-GENEVA/](http://unfairagency.org/call-to-geneva/)**

### NEW INFORMATION ON THE RACIST MASSACRE IN MELILLA "What really happened at the Melilla border fence" (Spiegel).



Am On 24 June, hundreds of refugees tried to cross the Melilla border. The video reconstruction by SPIEGEL and its partners shows how the disaster happened - and what role the security forces played.

**[HTTPS://WWW.SPIEGEL.DE/](https://www.spiegel.de/)**

**AUSLAND/FLUECHTLINGE-IN-MELILLA-WAS-AM-GRENZZAUN-WIRKLICH-GESCHAH-DIE-**



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## EL PAÍS

[HTTPS://ELPAIS.COM/VIDEOS/2022-11-29/DOCUMENTAL-TRAGEDIA-EN-LA-FRONTERA-DE-MELILLA-EL-PAPAL-DE-MARRUECOS-Y-ESPANA-EN-LAS-MUERTES-DEL-24-J.HTML](https://elpais.com/videos/2022-11-29/documental-tragedia-en-la-frontera-de-melilla-el-papel-de-marruecos-y-espana-en-las-muertes-del-24-j.html)

Heise had already published an article on 11 November with reference to corresponding BBC reports:

[HTTPS://WWW.HEISE.DE/TP/FEATURES/SPANIENS-REGIERUNG-WEGEN-MELILLA-MASSAKER-UNTER-DRUCK-7336807.HTML](https://www.heise.de/tp/features/spaniens-regierung-wegen-melilla-massaker-unter-druck-7336807.html)

## AEGEAN: MURDERS AND LETTING PEOPLE DIE AT THE EU'S EXTERNAL BORDER

In recent weeks, the Frankfurter Rundschau has reported several times in powerful reports and commentaries on the horror at the EU's external border between Greece and Turkey:

"Nightmare of a refugee: Death at the EU external border

On his flight to Europe, the Syrian Akram Abdulkadir died - because militias mistreated him. His brother describes the brutality at the EU border..."

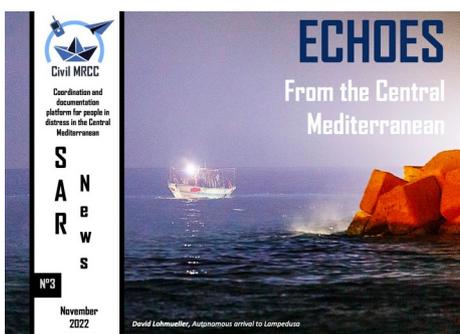
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## CENTRAL MED: ECHOES NO. 3 PUBLISHED „AGAINST FASCISM AND RACISM, SOLIDARITY WILL WIN!”



### P.10 - ANALYSIS

Stability Support Apparatus: a worrying, new actor in the central Mediterranean

### P.16 - INTERVIEW

Border: Fascists: "Amplify voices of those who are closer to the reality of everyday border violence"

### P.18 - LEGAL FRAMEWORK

The left-to-right case of 11th of October 2013. Interview of the lawyer of the shipwreck survivors.

### P.22 - CRIMINALIZATION

Investment trial in Trapani: Crimes of solidarity

### P.26 - MOBILIZATIONS

"Zarzi wants the truth!", UNHCR campaign: "Stop the Italy-Libya Memorandum!"

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In "Echoes", the bimonthly publication of the CMRCC, significant aspects of SAR in the Central Med are reflected upon, current topics discussed, analysis and research presented and the self-organized struggles of refugees and migrants highlighted.

From the 1<sup>st</sup> of January 2022 until the 31<sup>st</sup> of October 2022:

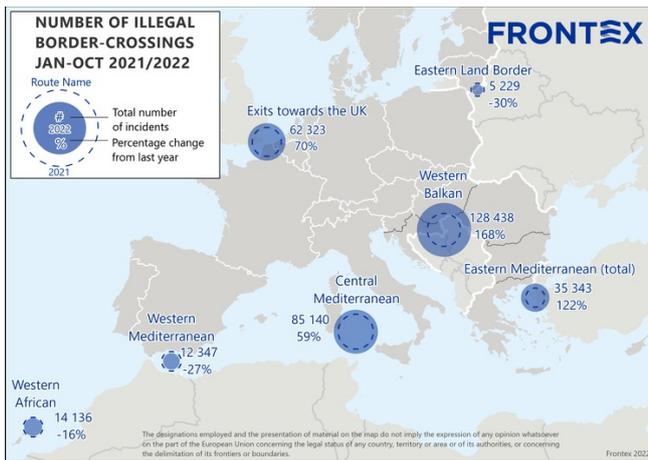
- Around 80 000 people arrived in Italy, of which a significant number arrived autonomously (UNHCR figures)
- 13 346 people were rescued by the civil fleet from 182 boats in distress (CMRCC figures)
- 16 621 people were pushed back to Libya, and 1129 people died or are reported missing (UoM figures until 3rd of October)

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The Federal Police has recorded a significant increase in the number of illegal entries into Germany. In the current year, 75,934 cases have been registered so far, said Federal Police President Dieter Romann at the presentation of his agency's annual report, according to dpa. There have been slightly more than 12,000 entries across the German-Polish border, 15,000

across the German-Czech border and more than 6,000 across the border with Austria. Ukrainians are not included in this figure. In September, there were 12,700 unauthorised entries, in October 13,400. The last time there were such five-digit monthly figures was in February 2016, said Romann, who did not want to speak of a "loss of control" at the borders..."

[HTTPS://WWW.TAGESSCHAU.DE/INLAND/BUNDESPOLIZEI-ILLEGALE-EINREISEN-103.HTML](https://www.tagesschau.de/inland/bundespolizei-illegale-einreisen-103.html)

## REVIEWS

### DEMONSTRATION IN DORTMUND IN MEMORY OF MOUHAMED LAMINE DRAMÉ

From the report by Umbruch Bildarchiv:



"More than two thousand people took part in a demonstration in Dortmund on 19 November 2022 in memory of Mouhamed Lamine Dramé and all victims of police violence. The traumatised youth, who had fled Senegal without a family, lived in a residential group of a youth welfare facility in Dortmund's Nordstadt district. Because he was suicidal, his carers called the police. "The police attacked him in a large contingent de-

monstrably without any threat on his part and without warning with pepper spray and Taser (stun gun)," reports the solidarity group "Justice4Mouhamed". Only 0.7 seconds after the taser attack, the fatal shots were fired from a submachine gun." The demonstrators chanted "Justice for Mouhamed!" over and over again. They want the case to be solved and those responsible to be charged.



There are a thousand Mouhameds. They deserve justice!

PHOTOS: [HTTPS://UMBRUCH-BILDARCHIV.ORG/GERECHTIGKEIT-FUER-MOUHAMED/](https://umbruch-bildarchiv.org/gerichtigkeit-fuer-mouhamed/)

## YOUTH WITHOUT BORDERS AT THE IMK IN MUNICH

JoG again called for a demonstration for the right to stay at the Conference of Interior Ministers in Munich and invited to a gala:



"During a gala evening organised by Youth without Borders (JoG), the Bavarian Minister of the Interior Joachim Herrmann was elected "Deportation Minister 2022". We handed over the negative prize this morning at the conference of interior ministers in Munich. With 57.6% of the votes, Herrmann clearly prevailed over the

Brandenburg Interior Minister Michael Stübgen (29.1%) and the Saxon Interior Minister Armin Schuster (13.3%).

Herrmann received the negative prize because Bavarian authorities are particularly ruthless when it comes to deportations. At the moment, for example, they are trying to quickly deport people who could benefit from the new chance-stay scheme of the traffic light coalition, which is expected to come into force on 1 January...."

[HTTP://JOGSPACE.NET/2022/12/02/JOACHIM-HERRMANN-ZUM-ABSCHIEBEMINISTER-2022-GEWAHLT/](http://jogspace.net/2022/12/02/joachim-herrmann-zum-abschiebeminister-2022-gewahlt/)

## OUTLOOK

### DEZENTRALIZED COMMEMORATIONS AT 6TH OF FEBRUARY 2023 „MIGRATION IS A RIGHT!

A Global Day of Struggle against the regime of death at our borders and to demand truth, justice and reparations for migration victims and their families

We are relatives and friends of people who died, have gone missing and/or are victims of enforced disappearances along the land or sea borders of Europe, Africa and America.

We are people who survived an attempt to cross borders in search of a better future.

We are solidary citizens who help migrants during their journeys by providing medical aid, food and clothing and by supporting them in dangerous situations so that their journeys can end safely.

We are activists who have collected the voices of these migrants before they disappeared, who try to identify the anonymous bodies in the border areas and who provide them with a dignified burial.





We are one big family without borders and nationalities, who struggle against the death regimes of death imposed at all the borders of the world and who fight for the right to migrate, for freedom of movement and for global justice for all. Year after year, we are witnessing the ongoing massacres at the borders and in detention facilities intended to discourage migration. We must not forget these victims! We do not want to remain silent about what is happening!

In February 2020, activist and relatives came together in Oujda, Morocco, to organize the first major Commemor-Action. In this event, we chose the symbolic date of February 6th, date of the Tarajal massacre, to organize worldwide demonstrations against the mili-

tarization of borders, and in support of the freedom to migrate.

In September, 2022, we came together in Zarzis, Tunisia, for the second major Commemor-Action and reiterated our commitment to mark February 6th as a day to combine the voices of many organizations fighting every day to denounce deadly border regimes and to demand truth, justice, and reparations for migrants' victims and for their families.

We call on all social and political, secular and religious organizations, groups and collectives of families of migration victims, and citizens of all countries of the world to organize protests and awareness raising actions on 6th February, 2023.

We invite you to use the logo shown above, together with your own logos, as an element to highlight the link between all the different initiatives. All the events that will take place will be published on the Facebook page Commemor-Action.

Migrate to live, not to die!

They are humans, not numbers!

Freedom of movement for all!"

**TO JOIN THIS CALL, YOU CAN WRITE TO: GLOBALCOMMEMORACTION@GMAIL.COM**

**[HTTPS://MISSINGATTHEBORDERS.ORG/EN/INDEX.PHP?P=NEWS/2022/6-FEBBRAIO-2023-MIGRARE-E-UN-DIRITTO](https://missingattheborders.org/en/index.php?p=news/2022/6-febbraio-2023-migrare-e-un-diritto)**

### **TRANSNATIONAL SOCIAL STRIKE-MEETING IN FRANKFURT 10-12/02/2023 WE WANT MORE: STRIKE THE WAR AND THE CLIMATE CRISIS!**

Venue: Studierenden-Haus der Goethe Universität, Mertonstrasse 26, 60325, Frankfurt am Main

„The war in Ukraine has opened a new situation globally, a long-lasting phase where power relations among states and within society are violently reshuffled. War, militarization and nationalism are set to be the norm, while economic competition and profit-led politics continue to fuel further tensions and a general crisis in social reproduction.





Workers, men and women, lgbtqi+ people, migrants, activists for climate justice, trade unionists and students need to join forces to face this grim reality and oppose its consequences: it's up to us to determine a different future. We need to fight against any further military escalation,

any expansion of the war and the normalization of the present system of exploitation, environmental degradation and patriarchal violence. We refuse to be pawns in a war that is having effects in the whole world under the nuclear threat. We want more than a prospect of war and climate catastrophe. We want more than being enrolled by states or employers for the sake of the nation, 'European values' or GDP. We want more than work and earn the bare minimum to survive. We want more than racist hatred and institutional discrimination. We want more than patriarchal rule and violence. We want more than struggling to reproduce ourselves. We want more than localized and small victories..."

**FULL CALL HERE:**

**[HTTPS://WWW.TRANSNATIONAL-STRIKE.INFO/2022/11/17/WE-WANT-MORE-STRIKE-THE-WAR-AND-THE-CLIMATE-CRISIS-TSS-MEETING-IN-FRANKFURT-10-12-02-2023/](https://www.transnational-strike.info/2022/11/17/we-want-more-strike-the-war-and-the-climate-crisis-tss-meeting-in-frankfurt-10-12-02-2023/)**

