



VALUE EROSION AT SEA

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Proposal



Planned disembarkation platforms



Sea rescue operations in international and Libyan waters

The Deal



- Allows rescue vessels into harbours
- Carries out primary care in refugee centres

- Supports refugee centres, coast guard and repatriation financially, as well as with equipment and know-how

SEAHELP



Monica Macovei, CEO and Founder
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OUR ROLE

We're a private sea rescue organisation. Commanding two ships, we rescue refugees in distress and bring them to safe harbours in Italy and Malta. Our organisation is funded by donations and wants to put a stop to the dying in the Mediterranean once and for all.

OUR OPINION ON THE COMMISSION'S PROPOSAL

„Embarrassing. Under no circumstances can this deal be allowed to go through. “

OUR ARGUMENTS

- ✓ The proposal prevents private rescue workers like us from delivering people in need to a safe Europe. It's a disgrace!
- ✓ While Italy continues to refuse to allow our ships to enter its ports, Libya is collecting a lot of money for every fugitive it takes back. European solidarity is no longer more than just an empty phrase.
- ✓ For years we have been devoting our lives to the protection of human rights. European politics should support us financially instead of making our work more difficult with absurd new regulations.
- ✓ The conditions in Libyan refugee camps are catastrophic. Fundamental human rights are violated (e.g. prohibition of slavery, fair trial). In an internal report, the Federal Foreign Office has spoken of "concentration camp-like conditions". Many of those rescued at sea have torture scars, are malnourished and are reporting abuse and sexual violence.
- ✓ If the EU cooperates with dictatorships, it loses all credibility and can no longer be taken seriously as a moral model and guarantor of freedom and solidarity.
- ✓ We used to be passionate Europeans. Today we fight for human lives and the dignity of those saved, no longer for the idea of an open and just Europe.

EUROPEAN SECURITY FORUM



Drew Stonewall, President
Pauleta Maldini, General Secretary

OUR ROLE

We are a think tank and believe that the tense security situation in Europe is directly related to EU border management. The privatisation of sea rescue is a thorn in our side. Maritime sovereignty in the Mediterranean should be reserved for state and EU institutions.

OUR OPINION ON THE COMMISSION'S PROPOSAL

"We support this constructive proposal if the platforms are regularly inspected by EU officials."

OUR ARGUMENTS

- ✓ Regional disembarkation platforms are urgently needed in order to master migration in a structured way and to optimise the procedure at the European border.
- ✓ The EU stands not only for freedom, but also for security. In times of terror and cross-border crime, Europe's external borders must be protected in the best way. Specifically, we call for an end to illegal entry, complete checks and the consistent repatriation of people without the right of residence.
- ✓ It's no surprise to us that SeaHelp is against the proposal. However, sea rescue should be left to professionals like Frontex. They act on behalf of politics and stand up for common values. Private organisations are committed only to themselves.
- ✓ People rescued in international waters have not reached the EU. Consequently, they should be returned to the starting point of their crossing. This practice does not violate human rights, nor is it inhumane.
- ✓ The North African partner states receive a lot of support - both financially and in terms of know-how. This will rapidly improve the conditions for refugees there.
- ✓ Only if we integrate our neighbouring states into the European asylum system in a spirit of solidarity can migration movements be managed in the long term.

REFUGEES 4 JUSTICE



Archie Mbaba-Becker, Founder
Meg Al-Yasin, Co-Founder

OUR ROLE

We are a non-governmental organisation committed to human rights and greater intercontinental justice. Talking about today's topic is important for us, but also an emotional challenge. We ourselves have fled and know what it means to be forced to leave one's homeland, to risk a dangerous escape and to experience hardship and fear of death.

OUR OPINION ON THE COMMISSION'S PORPOSAL

„Platforms in third countries make sense. But these must be built and run by the EU - not by countries with a blatant disregard of human rights.“

OUR ARGUMENTS

- ✓ For many, reaching Europe is the ultimate goal. The reasons for this are often misinterpreted. People on the run do not seek prosperity, but legal security, political stability and a life in freedom and security.
- ✓ However, European realpolitik makes it clear that a self-determined and peaceful life is a privilege of Europeans. This policy makes European values look absurd: when solidarity ends at the Mediterranean border, there is in fact no solidarity.
- ✓ If the EU makes itself the henchman of rogue states, it will lose its role model function worldwide.
- ✓ Everyone should have the chance to apply for asylum in the EU without risking their life. That is why we believe that safe platforms in third countries make sense. These must be like embassies and must be operated in accordance with the rule of law, regardless of the host country's standards.
- ✓ These "islands of security" cannot under any circumstances be operated by Libya. If someone here tells fairy tales of supposedly "humane conditions" there, we will certainly not accept - if necessary, we will talk about our own experiences.

RESPONSIBILITY FOR EUROPE



Igor Puskalyi, 1st Chairman
Hartmut Giessinger, Press spokesman

OUR ROLE

As a pan-European association, we are committed to greater stability in Europe. We want to react to and point out the signs of decay caused by financial crises, migration crises, Brexit and constant disunity: We citizens* want a united and secure Europe. The EU should return to its original strength, namely economic cooperation.

OUR OPINION ON THE COMMISSION'S PORPOSAL

„The deal is urgently needed. Crucially, its implementation must take place in close cooperation.“

OUR ARGUMENTS

- ✓ The human rights situation in the Mediterranean is alarming. It is intolerable that thousands of people have drowned in recent years - not to mention unreported cases. We cannot simply accept this situation.
- ✓ Regional disembarkation platforms save lives and should therefore be supported.
- ✓ Different EU states react differently to the challenge of migration. We have observed that the issue has divided the EU. This is not a price we're willing to pay. Solutions must be found that ALL Europeans can support in solidarity.
- ✓ To prevent the EU from falling apart, we prefer to tolerate the positions of individual EU states that are critical of accepting refugees. We must not overburden ourselves. We need solutions that lead to gradual changes, such as a green card system instead of uncontrolled immigration.
- ✓ In order to ease the tensions in Southern Europe and preserve peace, arrivals on European coasts must be reduced.
- ✓ When arriving at regional disembarkation platforms, refugees may apply for asylum. The few who are actually entitled to asylum will then be brought to Europe. This is the safest solution for both refugees and Europeans.
- ✓ Close cooperation with third countries is a good opportunity to address the issue of global migration together and to strengthen human rights worldwide.

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Timea Black, Director
Georgios Sarantos, Programme manager

OUR ROLE

We see ourselves as a grassroots movement as well as a modern think-tank. We take a very critical view of the migration movements to Europe. We are very vocal in our efforts to ensure that Europe remains true to its values and defends them with all its might.

OUR OPINION ON THE COMMISSION'S PROPOSAL

„The deal is a step in the right direction in order to stop uncontrolled migration to Europe once and for all.“

OUR ARGUMENTS

- ✓ People on the run are best helped in neighbouring regions. Disembarkation in the south instead of the EU is a sensible and long overdue approach.
- ✓ Common values are the foundation of the European Union. But these European values are not the values of those who want to enter the EU. There are cultural, religious and ethnic differences between people that are hard to overcome.
- ✓ For us, only Western values are relevant: freedom, security and democracy. Europe's values are under threat like never before: crime amongst foreigners means that the safety of our women and children is no longer guaranteed, and we are restricted in our freedom because, for example, it is no longer possible to leave our homes fear-free at night in big cities.
- ✓ Migration does not work. It poses a threat to our values and the indigenous population. You have to make up your mind: European values OR open society, i.e. unlimited migration. Our opinion is clear on that.
- ✓ If refugees are stuck in the European asylum system for 3 years despite there being no doubt that they will not be allowed to stay in the end, it will give the impression that everyone can stay with us. This creates false incentives!
- ✓ Disembarkation centres in Libya make it clear that your journey begins and ends here. This will keep many from undertaking the dangerous crossing.

EU COMMISSION FOR MIGRATION AND HOME AFFAIRS



Ylva Johansson, EU Commissioner
Diane Schmitt, Head of Cabinet of the Commissioner

OUR ROLE

Over the last few years, our job has not been easy. Proposals on migration and integration are often subjected to harsh criticism by member states, NGOs, the press and citizens - it is almost impossible to draw up drafts capable of winning a majority.

Our proposal on regional disembarkation centres is no exception. While Parliament and the Council are already working on our ideas, today we have invited civil society actors to a consultation. We want to get an overview of the positions and discuss the arguments openly.

The invited guests will position themselves very differently on the discussion points. We will document the positions of the actors in order to maintain an overview:

QUESTION TO THE PARTICIPANTS

„What is your stance on the Commission's proposal?"

PARTICIPANTS' DEMANDS

YOUR TASKS AS MODERATORS

1. Welcome the participants.
2. Discuss the topic together.
 - Who supports the proposal? Who doesn't?
3. At the end, summarise the results:
 - Where do you see opportunities for compromise?
 - Which points remain contentious?

VALUE WATCH



YOUR ROLE

You do not actively participate in the discussion but observe the conversation and take notes. You want to document who supports their opinion with arguments relating to values.

After the simulation game you share your results with the group. Which values were mentioned particularly often? Were there conflicting interpretations?

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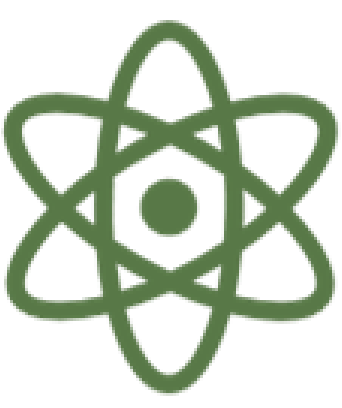


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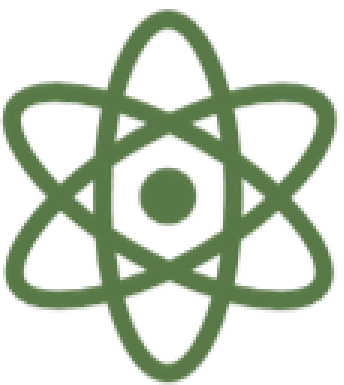


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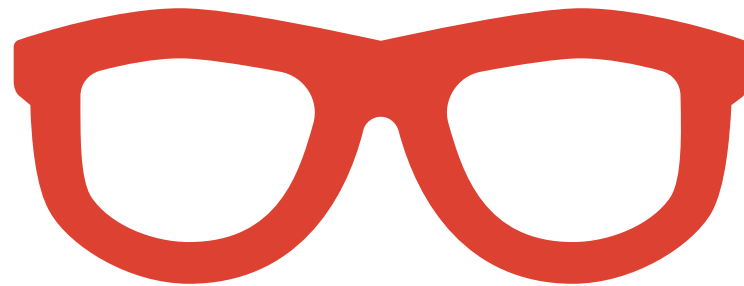
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