

This monthly press review covers Eurafrikan migration control, migration and displacement in African countries and news on the European border regime. In case there is a news item, report, or campaign you would like to flag for in next month's review please write us to migr-contr@ffm-online.org or on Twitter @MigControl.

NEW ON MIGRATION-CONTROL.INFO

Blog Internal EU-Dokument: „Update on State of Play of External Cooperation“ from May 2022 by Migration Control Editorial Office: “We've received an internal document from the EU-commissions services dated May 20 2022, titled „Update on State of Play of External Cooperation in the Field of Migration Policy“. The document provides a brief update and overview over the EU's „partnerships“ with „third countries“ in regards to externalized migration control [...]. The May Update lists bilateral cooperations with 35 non-EU countries, including Mauritania, which was not listed in the January Update, [and] nine multilateral and regional policy processes.”

Blog In Context: MOCADÉM Action File Niger by Vladimir Blaiotta: In this blog entry, Vladimir Blaiotta contextualizes the MOCADÉM Action File Niger of February 2022, summarizing that “this action document manifests once more EU's prerogatives for the future paths of migration control. Notwithstanding recent past failures, the trend rest the same: externalising asylum procedures, pushing for AVRR, and enhancing third states border control, while increasingly making development aid conditionality on EU migration objectives. In this sense migration governance will still sharpen its features to the detriment global south mobility and the spread of vulnerability of people on the move.”

Blog One-way Ticket nach Afrika von Thomas Müller, Simone Schindwein, Merle Thiel und Sascha Zinflou: Dieser Blogbeitrag erörtert das Migrationsabkommen zwischen Großbritannien und Ruanda und stellt es in den Kontext der zunehmenden Externalisierung der britischen Grenzen. Mit dem Brexit ist die Grenze zwischen Frankreich und Großbritannien zur EU-Außengrenze geworden und Großbritannien nicht mehr Teil des Dublin-Systems. Um das Ende der Dublin-Abschiebungen zu kompensieren, forderte die Regierung neue Abschiebeabkommen und arbeitete an der

"Entwicklung der Kapazität für ein Offshore-Asylverfahren", das mit dem Migrationsabkommen mit Ruanda umgesetzt werden soll. Ruanda selbst profitiert politisch und finanziell von dem Abkommen. Das Land war schon vor diesem Abkommen ein Ziel für Charterflüge mit Menschen auf der Flucht.

Blog EU Council: Draft Action Plan: Egypt by Migration Control Editorial Office: We publish the new EU Draft Action Plan for Egypt on our blog. It's part of the Operationalization of the EU's New Pact. The main aspect of the "cooperation" between the EU and Egypt is the containment of the large and young Egyptian population and to keep Egypt's border closed. Further, economic cooperation is to be intensified; billions of euros of funding for economic development are meant to address so-called "root causes" of migration.

Archive „Burning at Europe's Borders“ (2021) Book by Isabella Alexander-Nathani: "The book is not at all lengthy-academic, but it 'invites audiences to journey alongside an incredible group of African migrants and refugees, revealing the mass human rights violations found at Europe's southern borders in North Africa.' Each chapter starts with a case study which introduces persons of interest, and then reflects on their experience, only by then reflecting that experience and drawing on literature."

Archive „Brennpunkt Westafrika“ (2022) von Olaf Bernau: Der Inhalt des Buches bietet eine Fülle von Eindrücken und Beobachtungen aus Westafrika, insbesondere Mali, und eine Reihe von klugen Einschätzungen.

SPECIAL: GLOBAL FOOD EMERGENCY CRISIS

For this issue, we have chosen to dedicate a special on the continuing global food emergency crisis which affects an increasing number of people globally and is exacerbated due to geopolitical developments, international relations and capitalist accumulation of wealth.

03.06.22: DW: **Les raisons de la crise alimentaire au Tchad**: Chad declared a "food emergency" on Thursday 2 June in response to a continuing deterioration in the food situation. A decree, signed by the transitional president, Mahamat Idriss Déby Itno, warns of a growing risk to the population if humanitarian assistance, including food aid, is not provided. According to the United Nations, by 2021, 5.5 million Chadians, or more than a third of the population, were in need of emergency humanitarian assistance. This situation has been exacerbated by the war in Ukraine and the blockade on grain.

03.06.22: Al Jazeera: **Ukraine war ‘aggravating’ existing global food crisis, UN warns:** “The number of people facing severe food insecurity has grown dramatically in the last six years. The Ukraine war is the latest element in an extremely complex situation. The UN had seen a lot of progress in reducing the number of people facing hunger in the last 20 years. But there’s been a reversing trend in about 20, 30 countries in the last several years.”

15.05.22: Portside: **Not War Alone. The global food crisis:** “The majority of wheat and other staples consumed around the world is grown within national borders. In places that grow little or nothing at all, however, the loss of Russian and Ukrainian grain supplies can be a serious blow.”

16.06.22: Al Jazeera: **One-third of Sudan’s population faces hunger crisis: UN:** “More than 30 percent of Sudan’s people are currently facing a food crisis because of the compounding effects of climate shocks, political turmoil, and rising global food prices. A joint report by the United Nation’s World Food Programme (WFP) and the Food and Agriculture Organization said 15 million people face acute food insecurity across all of the East African country’s 18 provinces.”

22.06.22: ZAS: **“Das Getreide ist da, die Preisspekulation verursacht die Krise” (“The grain is there, the price speculation causes the crisis”):** An interview with Frédéric Mousseau on the looming food shortage, exacerbated with the war in Ukraine “There is no looming shortage, but fierce speculation in futures markets betting on price increases and future famines to maximize profits”

22.06.22 Guardian: **‘The worst humanitarian crisis we’ve ever seen’ [Background Report]:** “Only a “massive” and immediate scaling-up of funds and humanitarian relief can save Somalia from famine, a UN spokesperson has warned, as aid workers report children starving to death “before our eyes” amid rapidly escalating levels of malnutrition.”

27.06.22: Al Jazeera: **The fallout of Russia’s grain blockade:** “Lebanon’s grinding economic crisis has driven inflation up over the past three years, and the giant explosion at Beirut’s port in 2020 destroyed the country’s biggest grain silos, hobbling its ability to store wheat. Now, Russia’s unrelenting blockade of the Black Sea amid the war in Ukraine – where Lebanon imports more than 60 percent of its wheat – is deepening the Middle Eastern nation’s food crisis [...].

CENTRAL AFRICA

Congo 23.06.22: ISS: **Tshisekedi opens a Pandora's Box in eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo** [Background Read]: "By allowing Uganda and Burundi to enter the troubled region to pursue their enemies, Tshisekedi has provoked a backlash from Kagame. Tensions are spiking once again in the chronically turbulent eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC). The M23 rebel movement – widely thought to be long dead – has dramatically resurrected. And DRC President Félix Tshisekedi has accused Rwandan President Paul Kagame of again backing it with military support."

See also: taz: 17.06.22: **Gewalt gegen Tutsi im Kongo: „Operation Langnase“ (Violence against Tutsi in East Congo)**

EAST AFRICA

Rwanda 24.06.22: Al Jazeera: **Commonwealth meet draws attention to Rwanda's human rights record**: "Earlier this month, 24 civil society groups including Human Rights Watch said the Commonwealth's human rights mandate would be undermined if leaders failed to challenge Kigali on its record. They said the Rwandan government was responsible for abusive prosecutions, harassment and torture of dissidents, which Rwanda denies. Britain's controversial policy to deport asylum seekers to the country has also been a trending media topic ahead of the summit."

See also 02.06.22: Al Jazeera: **132 asylum seekers in Rwanda after evacuation from Libya**; UNHCR; 10.06.22: Telegraph: **Asylum seekers resettled in Rwanda under EU scheme abandoned to poverty** [Background Report]

NORTH AFRICA

Algeria 08.06.22: Al Jazeera: **Algeria suspends cooperation with Spain over Western Sahara**: "Algeria is "immediately" suspending a two-decades-old friendship treaty with Spain after Madrid reversed decades of neutrality in the Western Sahara dispute. It was the latest blow to increasingly fragile relations between Algiers and Madrid, which depends on Algeria for its natural gas supply."

See also 03.06.22: North Africa Journal: **Energy: More woes for the Algerian petroleum sector (\$)**; 09.06.22: euractiv: **EU urges Algeria to reverse split with Spain**

Egypt/EU 17.06.22: EUobserver: **Egypt coast guard to get EU cash to stop fleeing Egyptians:** “Egypt's coast guard is set to receive €80m from the European Commission to prevent people from taking boats towards Italy, according to an internal paper. Drafted by the EU Commission and dated 15 June, the paper says more than 3,500 Egyptians fled the country by boat in the first five months of this year. Almost all ended up in Italy. This is four times as many over the same period in 2021 and from a country whose leadership is steeped in widespread human-rights abuses, including extrajudicial killings, systematic torture, and enforced disappearances.”

Libya 13.06.22: The New Humanitarian: **Q&A: Why documenting Libya's detention abuses is so important** [Background Read]: “The New Humanitarian recently spoke to Hayden about the questionable roles the EU, UN agencies, and sometimes other aid organisations are playing in Libya, as well as the need for accountability and the importance of continuing to document the abuses being perpetrated.”

Libya 20.06.22: Al Jazeera: **UN says Libya rival factions fail to reach deal in election talks:** “Rival Libyan factions have failed to reach an agreement after wrapping up a third round of UN-mediated talks in Egypt, the United Nations said on Monday, further complicating international efforts to find a way out of the country's decade-old chaos. [...] The talks, which started on June 12, had sought to establish a constitutional framework for elections in Libya, but the two sides failed to agree on “the measures governing the transitional period” leading to the vote, William said in a statement accessed by The Associated Press news agency.”

Libya 29.06.22: DW: **Libya: Twenty migrants 'die of thirst' in desert, 30 more missing in Mediterranean:** “Libyan rescue services have recovered the bodies of 20 people in the desert near the border with Chad. The deceased were believed to have been migrants and were found around a black pickup truck about 320 kilometers (200 miles) southwest of Kufra, according to the district ambulance service.”

Morocco 16.06.22: infomigrants: **“Despite all my efforts, I am still a migrant.” The blind spot of Moroccan migration policy** [Background Read]: “Morocco launched a new policy guaranteeing certain basic rights for migrants and refugees nearly a decade ago. It has since offered two regularization amnesties for undocumented migrants. But with progress now stalled, many see no escape but to return to their home countries. [...] Since the beginning of 2022, more than 200 people have died in the Atlantic, according to figures released by the IOM's Missing Migrants project. According to estimates from

the Spanish NGO Caminando Fronteras, Walking Borders, more than 4,000 migrants lost their lives trying to make it to Europe last year.”

Mediterranean 15.06.22: infomigrants: **At least 80 migrants rescued in Mediterranean:** “Two private rescue ships, the Sea-Eye 4 and the Aita Mari, have carried out rescues relatively close to each other not too far off the Libyan and Tunisian coasts. Sea-Eye 4 rescued 63 migrants on Tuesday and Aita Mari carried out a rescue on Wednesday [13 June] of 17.”

Morocco/Spain 24.06.22: Alarme Phone Sahara: **Melilla 24th of June 2022: Dozens of migrants killed by Moroccan security forces! Spanish-Moroccan migration agreement kills!** “Moroccan forces launched massive attacks against people when migrants - media reports put the number at 2,000 - had collectively tried to break through the fortified fences of the Spanish enclave. According to initial media reports, the people killed fell from the fences or were trampled to death in a stampede and panic near the border fence. However, videos shared on social media and witness reports show massive and brutal acts of violence by Moroccan forces, also against people already injured and lying on the ground. In addition, witnesses estimate that the actual number of people killed was much higher than the 27 reported by the media.”

See also: 26.06.22: AP News: **Deaths rise to 23 from mass attempt to enter Spanish enclave;** 26.06.22: taz: **Tod an Melillas Grenzzaun (Death at Melilla border fence);** 26.06.22: The Guardian: **Calls for investigation over deaths in Moroccan-Spanish border crossing**

Tunisia 15.06.22: webindia: **Tunisia arrests 72 Italy-bound illegal immigrants off coast:** “Tunisia arrested 72 migrants who attempted to cross the Mediterranean to enter Italy illegally, the Tunisian Ministry of Defense said Tuesday [14.06.22]. [...] the ministry said in a statement, [...] that 42 of them were rescued by a Tunisian coastguard unit off the coastal city of Zarzis in northeastern Tunisia.”

WEST AFRICA

Burkina Faso 14.06.22: taz: **Bluttat stellt Militär auf Probe (Bloody deed puts military to the test):** According to UNHCR, the number of internally displaced persons in Burkina Faso has risen from 1.74 million at the end of January to 1.85 million at the end of March. Burkina Faso has a population of around 21 million. On Saturday, residents of the town of Pama in the southeastern province of Kompienga on the border with Benin

demonstrated against the fact that "terrorism is advancing by leaps and bounds" - the entire province except for two towns is controlled by armed groups, they said.

Burkina Faso 24.06.22: Al Jazeera: **Burkina Faso: 14 days to evacuate before vast army operation:** "The West African country's army this week ordered civilians to leave two large "military interest zones" to protect them, but did not specify how long they would have to evacuate or where they should go." Depopulation marks a new quality of fighting Islamist militias. "Authorities in Burkina Faso are said to control just 60 percent of the country and the remaining territory is outside state control, a mediator from the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) said last week, noting the country is facing a "security, humanitarian, political and socioeconomic" crisis."

Mauritania 28.06.22: Al Jazeera: **Russia's Wagner group in Mali spurs refugee spike in Mauritania** [Background Read]: "Maliens are fleeing to nearby Mauritania to escape from bandits, fighters, the army and now Russian operatives [...] The refugees' testimony of being driven out of Mali by the threat of Wagner, or increased violence by the Malian military since the Russians' arrival "perfectly lines up with what we have seen and documented", said Ousmane Diallo, Dakar-based researcher for Amnesty International."

Niger 16.06.22: Al Jazeera: **Forty fighters 'neutralised' in drone strikes in Niger:** "French drone strikes have killed nearly 40 fighters earlier travelling on motorcycles near Niger's border with Burkina Faso, France's military said on Thursday [14 June]. In a statement, the French military called the strikes a "new tactical success" for France's counterterrorism efforts in Africa's Sahel region, named Operation Barkhane."

WEST ASIA

Lebanon 07.06.22: AP News: **Lebanese army arrests 64 migrants trying to sail to Europe:** "The Lebanese military arrested 64 migrants as they were trying to set sail from northern Lebanon on Tuesday in an attempt to get to Europe, the army command said. [...] The migrants were apparently taken into custody before their boat was able to set sail [...] The attempt came weeks after a boat carrying more than 60 migrants capsized on April 23 off the coast of Tripoli, Lebanon's second-largest and most impoverished city. Seven bodies were recovered in that disaster, with 47 people rescued and some still missing. Survivors at the time blamed the Lebanese navy of causing the accident by ramming into the migrants' boat."

Lebanon 20.06.22: The New Arab: **Lebanon threatens to expel Syrian refugees:** “Prime Minister Najib Mikati on Monday said Lebanon was ready to expel Syrian refugees living in the country if the international community does not work to repatriate them. Lebanon, grappling with its worst ever economic crisis, has the world's highest proportion of refugees in its population. Lebanon, grappling with its worst ever economic crisis, has the world's highest proportion of refugees in its population, with the government estimating that Syrians account for almost a quarter of its more than six million residents.”

Turkey/Greece 10.06.22: Balkan Insight: **Turkey's Erdogan Warns Greece Not to Militarise Aegean Islands:** “Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan accused the Greek government of militarising its islands in the Aegean Sea and hinted that the use of force could be an option if Athens does not stop.”

Turkey/Afghanistan 16.06.22: voa: **Turkey Deports Thousands to Taliban-Controlled Afghanistan:** “In January 2022, Turkey was the second country, following Pakistan, to resume direct flights to Afghanistan [...] In the past six months, 79 Turkish chartered deportation flights have landed at Kabul international airport, carrying more than 18,000 Afghans.”

EUROPE

Balkans 20.06.22: infomigrants: **Balkan Route: The forgotten refugees** [Background Read]: “The plight of Ukrainian refugees has captured the world's attention. Meanwhile, the struggles of millions of refugees from other countries have faded from view. How are they faring? A look at the Balkans.”

France 10.06.22: Al Jazeera: **France proposes plan to unblock EU's asylum seeker pact:** “France has sought to push the European Union towards a long-stalled asylum pact with a plan to relocate about 10,000 asylum seekers a year to willing member states – and for unwilling ones to pay up instead. Presented on Friday to an EU interior ministers' meeting in Luxembourg, the French proposal foresees the 19 states in the EU's Schengen zone committing to taking in asylum seekers from under-pressure countries such as Greece, Italy and Malta [...]. The French proposal stresses the identification of asylum seekers entering the bloc has been enhanced with enlarged use of Eurodac, a biometric database, and a new entry filtering system.”

France 16.06.22: ici: **Course poursuite entre Sospel et Nice: la personne blessée par le tir d'un policier est décédée (Chase between Sospel and Nice: the person injured by the shooting of a policeman died)**: On the night of 15 June, a 35-year-old person was killed by a shot in the head by a French border police officer. A van carrying 8 people, among them people without what police considers to be "the right" documents, crossed the Italian-French border at around 2 am. The French border police pursued the van to the Moulins district of Nice. There, a police officer shot at the car 4 times.

See also 15.06.22: franceinfo: **Nice: un migrant blessé par balles lors d'une course poursuite de 40 kilomètres avec la police (Nice: a migrant shot during a 40 kilometer chase with the police)**

Greece 21.06.22: Solomon: **Facing 10 years in prison for an act of desperation**: "A year and a half ago, a young pregnant woman from Afghanistan, living at the Mavrovouni camp on Lesbos, attempted suicide by setting fire to her tent. On June 22 2022, she stands trial, accused of arson with intent."

Ireland 20.06.22: Statewatch: **Ireland increases payment to Frontex by tens of thousands of euros to boost deportations**: "Ireland's participation in Frontex activities is governed by agreements that are renewed annually. A Frontex management board decision from March outlines Ireland's participation in operations and activities for 2022. The payment to Frontex from Ireland is significantly larger than in previous years, particularly in the realm of returns."

Poland 07.06.22: taz: **Streik in polnischen Internierungslagern (Strike in Polish Internment Camps)**: Since last fall, the camps for non-Ukrainian refugees have been completely overcrowded with around 2,000 people. Inmates have therefore repeatedly gone on hunger strike, most recently in increasing numbers. At the end of May, the Polish magazine OKO.press, which maintains contact with strikers in four of the camps, spoke of a "wave": Przemyśl, Wędrzyn, Krosno Odrzańskie and Lesznowola. Aid organizations such as the NGO network Grupa Granica warn that the strikers' lives are now in danger.

Poland 09.06.22: tagesspiegel: **Polen hebt Sperrzone an der Grenze zu Belarus auf (Poland lifts exclusion zone on the border with Belarus)**: The restricted zone on Poland's border with Belarus will be lifted on July 1st. As work on a high fence along the border is well advanced, there is no longer any need for the restrictions, the Interior Ministry in Warsaw announced on Thursday. However, in the future people will only be allowed to approach within 200 meters of the fence.

Spain 09.06.22: euractiv: **Spain wants NATO to flag migration as ‘hybrid threat’ in policy roadmap**: “Spain, as host of an upcoming NATO summit, will push for the inclusion of “hybrid threats” such as irregular migration, food insecurity and terrorism in the alliance’s new policy roadmap, Foreign Minister José Manuel Albares said in an interview.”

UK 19.06.22: Guardian: **Outrage over scheme to electronically tag asylum seekers arriving in UK**: The Home Office has launched “a scheme to electronically tag asylum seekers arriving in the UK. Ministers faced calls to abandon the “farce of a policy” after suggestions that those who recently avoided being sent to Rwanda after a legal challenge could be among the first to be tagged under the programme. Under the 12-month pilot scheme, which began last week, some of those arriving aboard small boats from France or in the back of lorries will be tagged.”

EUROPEAN UNION

EU 09.06.22: Statewatch: **Tracking the Pact: Externalisation instead of relocation as part of "voluntary solidarity mechanism"**: “The EU’s Justice and Home Affairs Council [...]looks set to adopt a “voluntary, simple and predictable solidarity mechanism” designed to reduce the “pressure” on southern EU states experiencing the arrival of substantial numbers of refugees. Relocation to other member states is described as “the preferred method of solidarity”, but financial support for externalised migration control, border surveillance and other repressive measures would also be a possibility.”

EU 20.06.22: Statewatch: **EU: Tracking the Pact: Council position on Screening Regulation to gut border monitoring proposal**: “The proposed Screening Regulation, part of the EU’s Pact on Migration and Asylum announced in September 2020, will see most individuals who enter the EU in an irregular fashion detained at the borders with a view to their swift expulsion. On 15 June, the French Presidency of the Council circulated its proposed compromise text, which is likely to form the basis for negotiations with the European Parliament. We are making it available here, along with the preceding version of the text. It maintains plans to gut a proposed fundamental rights border monitoring mechanism of most of its substance.”

EU 29.06.22: Statewatch: **Deportations: EU to push for new readmission agreements "using all levers and incentives available"**: “Council Presidency progress report from 9 June focusses on “operationalisation of the external dimension, including as regards

returns”; protection of the external borders; member state solidarity; and “more effective implementation of the Dublin rules”.

Frontex 08.06.22: Statewatch: **Frontex: big spending on aerial surveillance** [Background Read]: “UK, Austrian and Dutch aviation firms share in multimillion contract for maritime surveillance operations, including surveillance of the Channel.”

REPORTS

06/22 **antiAtlas Journal**: **Deportation Monitoring in Germany and Nigeria: Asymmetric Strategies, Solidarity and Activist Knowledge Production**: “The article explored deportation monitoring as a practice of migrant solidarity, mapping diverse sites in the German and Euro-African deportation regime. Drawing on our experience in anti-deportation organising and our research we reflect on the challenges for activist observation and documentation of deportation in Germany after 2015 and in post-deportation situations in Nigeria.”

06/22 **Al Jazeera**: **Braving the Atlantic. Refugees and migrants risk death to reach the Canary Islands**: “The tightening of border controls through the western and central Mediterranean routes has contributed to a dramatic increase in the number of people braving this longer sea passage. This has made these islands 1,600km (994 miles) off the mainland, a beacon for people coming primarily from Morocco, Western Sahara, Senegal and Mali. Many also arrive from the Ivory Coast, Guinea, Mauritania and Gambia.”

06/22 **FreedomUnited**: **Europe knows what happens to us in Libya**: “This is the story of my experiences in Libya. European governments know what happens to us after the Libyan Coast Guard returns us to Libya. They support them to return us anyway. I want you to know too.”

06/22 **Lighthouse Reports**: **“We were Slaves”**: “The Greek police are using foreigners as “slaves” to forcibly return asylum seekers to Turkey.” In a joint investigation, six of them who call themselves slaves were interviewed and the police stations where they were held were located. “Some of the slaves, who are kept locked up between operations, were forcibly recruited themselves after crossing the border but others were lured there by smugglers working with a gangmaster who is hosted in a container located in the carpark of a Greek police station. In return for their “work” they received papers allowing them to stay in Greece for 25 days.”

06/22 **Mixed Migration Centre: Security costs. How the EU's exclusionary migration policies place people on the move toward Italy and Greece at greater risk - a quantitative analysis:** "This report focuses on the protection challenges for people on the move along three migration routes toward Europe: The Central Mediterranean Route (CMR), the Eastern Mediterranean Route (EMR) and the Western Balkan Route (WBR). After an initial review of the literature on migration, European Union (EU) policy, and protection risks on these routes, the study provides an analysis of 4Mi data collected in Italy and Greece between 2019 and 2022."

06/22 **Picum: Resilience and Resistance: In Defiance of the Criminalisation of Solidarity across Europe:** "This report builds on recent research¹⁹ that documents patterns of criminalisation of solidarity across Europe and aims to raise awareness of the importance and complexity of this issue as well as the impact of such measures on human rights defenders, migrants and our societies. It also examines how the criminalisation of solidarity often has a disproportionate impact and serious life-changing consequences for human rights defenders who are migrants themselves."

CAMPAINS

Press Release Khartoum State Resistance Committees Coordination: 21.06.22: Press Release. Preparation for June 30: "We call on all revolutionaries, resistance committees, unions, and political organizations that believe in change to engage in the mobilization for this great battle by conducting processions, vigils, public addresses, and the distribution of paper clips, so that we, like an army of ants, all move and work nonstop from the moment until the morning of the decisive day, for our victory on this day depends on what we will accomplish, the revolution is work, commitment and dedication."

Protest and Press Release Refugees in Tunisia: 21.06.22: «Tunisia is not a safe country for us»: "On World Refugee Day, we the asylum seekers and refugees in Tunisia want to send a message to the world: Tunisia is not a safe country for us. We need evacuation and resettlement to a safe country."

Update UnitedAgainstRefugeeDeaths.eu: 16.06.22: List of Refugee Deaths: UNITED has just released its yearly update of the 'UNITED List of Refugee Deaths', now listing 48.647 documented cases of migrant and refugee deaths (since 1993) due to the fatal policies of Fortress Europe.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Infotour 21.06. - 11.07.22, Germany and Switzerland: **Infotour. Solidarity against the EU border regime in the Sahara** by the Alarm Phone Sahara: The Alarm Phone Sahara is practicing solidary intervention against the EU border regime in Agadez and other places in northern Niger. During their information tour, Moctar Dan Yayé and Azizou Chehou from APS Niger will talk about the current context and developments in Niger regarding the repressive migration policy and their daily work, such as “emergency rescue in the desert”, documentation of the increasing mass deportations from Algeria, criminalisation of solidary actions and migration itself, litigation, and the consequences of climate change in the Sahel region.

Discussion 04.07.22, 7 pm (CEST), Berlin: **The current situation in Sudan, Between Transit, Migration and Revolution** by We'll Come United, Rosa-Luxemburg-Foundation, Sudan Uprising Germany and migration-control.info: Two guests from Sudan, one member of the Resistance Committees and one of the Save Road Initiative Karthoum, will speak about the ongoing revolution in Sudan. Since 2019, the situation has changed significantly. It is true that the 2018 mass uprising toppled the Islamist-military regime of Omar al-Bashir. However, an unstable arrangement between the military and civilian political forces subsequently emerged. In October 2021, another military coup occurred. Civilian organizations called for mass civil disobedience. The campaign has endured despite the military's systematic intimidation. Resistance committees in the neighborhoods were crucial to the ability to organize against the coup, but so were trade union and other social organizations. So the Sudanese revolution continues.

Discussion 05.07.22, 7 pm (CEST), Berlin and Online: **Detention camps on the Greek islands: A "new era" in EU migration policy?** by borderline-europe: In the panel discussion with Daphne Tolis, Athina Ntvasili, and Karl Kopp, we want to inform about the real situation in so-called "Closed Controlled Access Centres" on the Greek islands. What rights are being violated? How should the detention camps be classified in terms of European policy? And what can resistance look like? The livestream can be followed on [YouTube](#).