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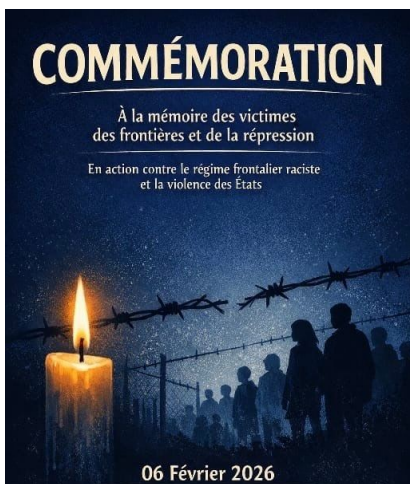
KOMPASS



Info-Plattform der antirassistischen Bewegung

6 February 2026 transnational: CommemorActions +++ 19 February 2026 – 6th anniversary of the racist terrorist attack in Hanau, mourning Ibrahim Akkuş +++ 21 February in Stuttgart: Demonstration on country elections – End racist social policies +++ 6 to 8 March in Darmstadt: Meeting of We'll Come United +++ Maldusa on current developments in Sicily and Lampedusa +++ Alarm Phone Sahara on desert deportations from Algeria to Niger +++ Planned return hubs – deportation centres in Uganda? +++ Recommended reading on the situation in Iran, Syria and Rojava +++ WoZ on ICE in Minneapolis – resistance has an impact +++ Regularisation in Spain +++ Open borders – mission impossible? – two articles worth reading from the taz +++ Outlook: 19 March in Leipzig: 'No Border lasts forever' – book presentation by We'll Come United; 26/27 March in Hamburg: kritnet conference; 28 March in Valetta: protest action marking 7 years of criminalisation of the El Hibli 3; 12-14 June in Jena: „Entgrenzt“ (debordered) – first migration law conference

Dear friends,



A slightly longer foreword at the start of the year.

6 February marks the 12th anniversary of the Tarajal massacre, and in this reference once again CommemorActions will take place in dozens of cities across Africa and Europe: commemorative and protest events against the deadly EU border regime.

Those responsible for death at borders are working already on the next tightening measures. On 12 June 2026, GEAS, the so-called Common European Asylum System, is set to come into force – with new

detention centres and accelerated asylum procedures with limited legal protection, with supposedly safe third countries and chain deportations, with extended 'Dublin' deadlines and possible „crisis“ regulations.

In addition, despite all the failures with Rwanda and Albania, the racist agitators from the interior ministries – with Germans Dobrindt at the forefront – are committed to setting up 'return hubs'. For outsourced deportation centres, they are relying on rulers in

Uganda or other African countries to initiate a further wave of deprivation of rights and deterrence.

The official implementations and new deportation deals will not be stopped by protests and campaigns in view of the continuing racist anti-migration sentiment. And we must even ask ourselves whether Minneapolis – the deportation raids carried out under Trump with completely unrestrained and deadly force by ICE officers – is emerging as a picture of the future for Europe.



However, we also know from the experiences of recent decades that it is possible to undermine the implementation of racist exclusion policies through concrete everyday resistance and to counter them in many small struggles. Strengthening and expanding the necessary structures within and with the communities of those affected appears to us to be a central challenge for the coming months and years. It is important to take up again and further develop the approaches and ideas of Solidarity Cities.

And what would a Kompass issue be in the new year without possibilistic voices in the introduction? On the one hand, we refer to the exciting developments in Spain, where a



strong, continuous regularisation campaign is currently celebrating a historic success. According to estimates, the decree passed a few days ago will enable between 500,000 and 800,000 undocumented migrants – ‘Sin Papeles’ – to legalise their status. Let us quote the daily

newspaper (taz) for the first time: ‘While in the USA even children are now being kidnapped and people shot, we are granting legal residence status,’ announced Podemos MEP Irene Montero, with a view to the USA...

And we include two further quotes from the taz, from an interview and a guest commentary from December 2025, both well worth reading against the zeitgeist, characterised by a „militant” or historical optimism:

"Many progressive people feel powerless right now. Times are bad. But we must not succumb to pessimism. Ernst Bloch spoke of optimism with a black ribbon. We are sad, even shocked, by the world, the brutality and the suffering. But that is precisely why we must maintain a militant optimism. We must continue our emancipatory work. At some

point, this will shift the broader socio-historical context again, and new opportunities will arise." (Fabian Georgi on 21 December 2025 in the Taz newspaper under the title: „Open borders are very much achievable“).

„Law restricts rights; it can be unjust. And although law seems so ´normal, it is not a given; it can and must be changed again and again. This also applies to the right of residence. The law has often been used to deny people their rights. Apartheid in South Africa was a legal system. Slavery was also legal for a long time. Apartheid and slavery should not be equated here with current border law, but rather point to a fundamental commonality: all these legal systems served to exclude people and curtail their rights – in



full compliance with the law. They separated the privileged from others who had no rights. And all of them exercised massive, often deadly violence. Slavery and apartheid were eventually recognised as wrong and abolished. The impossible was conceived, and in the end, the insight prevailed that both systems were deeply inhumane. So it is possible to abolish (in)justice. It is not easy and it took a long time. **Let us imagine that talk shows had**

existed during the era of slavery. Such a talk show would have discussed slavery, and a plantation owner, a slave trader, a high-ranking colonial official, and the owner of a trading company would have been invited to participate. And, as an exotic guest, an abolitionist who wanted to abolish slavery. The abolitionist was laughed at by the others. Totally crazy, abolishing slavery? How is that supposed to work? The slaves belong to the plantation owners, they are their property! The law protects property! Slaves are not even capable of taking care of themselves. If they were set free, chaos and crime would ensue. Who else would do the work on the plantations? Without slavery, the price of sugar would skyrocket, resulting in inflation and a shortage of raw materials! Everyone except the abolitionist agreed that this would threaten a global economic crisis. And why talk about abolishing slavery at all? It has always existed; that is the law and order of the world..." (Martin Sökefeld on 30 December 2025 under the title 'Open Borders – Mission Impossible?')

In this abolitionist spirit – for a rebellious 2026.

The Kompass Crew

DATES AND INFORMATION FOR FEBRUARY 2026



CommemorAction -
Veranstaltung zum
Gedenken an die Opfer
des EU-Grenzregimes

CALL FOR COMMEMORATIONS FEBRUARY 6TH, 2026

„As every year, we invite every city, every community, every person to organize or participate in a CommemorAction on February 6th, 2026 to commemorate those who died or disappeared at the borders...“ and in dozens of cities in Africa and in Europe events and

protests are announced again.

FIND THE CALL IN MANY LANGUAGES HERE:

[HTTPS://COMMEMORACTION.NET/2025/12/11/CALL-FOR-COMMEMORATIONS-FEBRUARY-6TH-2026/](https://commemoraction.net/2025/12/11/call-for-commemorations-february-6th-2026/)

19 FEBRUARY 2026 – 6TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE RACIST TERRORIST ATTACK IN HANAU – MOURNING IBRAHIM AKKUŞ

#SAYTHEIRNAMES		19.02.2026	#SAYTHEIRNAMES	
TIMELINE	3.2. & 12.2., 16- 20 UHR RUNDGANG IM NEU GESTALTETEN RAUM DER INITIATIVE 19. FEBRUAR UND AUSTAUSCH BEI TEE & KAFFEE ! Hanau, Krämerstraße 24	HANAU	TIMELINE	21.02.2026 16 UHR KUNDGEBUNG UND DEMONSTRATION JUGENDBÜNDNIS ! Hanau, Marktplatz
	9.2., 19:30 UHR LECTURE PERFORMANCE „SAY THEIR NAMES!“ MIT SENTHURAN VARATHARAJAH. MUSIK: TAYFUN GÜTTSTADT ! Frankfurt am Main, SCHIRN, Gabriel-Riesser-Weg 3			11 UHR ! HAUPTFRIEDHOF, BIRKENHAINER STR. 2, 63450 HANAU
	10.02.2026 16:30 UHR PODIUMSGESPRÄCH & THEATERAUFFÜHRUNG „AND NOW HANAU“ ! Frankfurt am Main, Goethe-Universität			13 UHR ! NEUER FRIEDHOF OFFENBACH MÜHLHEIMER STR. 425 63075 OFFENBACH AM MAIN
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	20 UHR JUGENDBÜNDNIS REMEMBER HANAU TRAUERMARSCH ! Freiheitsplatz			
	21:30 UHR GEDENKEN AN DEN TATORTEN ! HEUMARKT & KESSELSTADT		05.03.2025 19 UHR LESUNG MIT HADIJA HARUNA-OELKER & MAX CZOLLEK ! Hanau, Kulturforum	

"We are approaching the sixth anniversary. Every year, every month, we name nine names – and we mean all victims of right-wing, racist and anti-Semitic violence. We remember them all. And we mean all of them.

For six years, we have been living with pain and anger. They have become part of our everyday lives. For the relatives, remembering means telling the story over and over again – exactly as it happened. Against forgetting. Against trivialisation. Against distorting the truth. (...) Concern and lip service are not enough. The state has not fulfilled its obligation – not even today. Without legal clarification and critical reappraisal, everything remains as it always was: impunity in the authorities continues. (...) Our message on the sixth anniversary is clear: remembering means changing. Remembering means acting. Remembering means fighting. Remembering means coming together and looking out for one another.

That is why we are calling on everyone to remember together on 19 February and to make SAY THEIR NAMES visible everywhere. Loudly. Visibly. In solidarity. SAY THEIR NAMES. Always. Everywhere."

THE FULL APPEAL, ALL DATES AND FURTHER INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND ON THE WEBSITE OF THE 19 FEBRUARY HANAU INITIATIVE: [HTTPS://19FEB-HANAU.ORG/2026/01/18/JAHRESTAG-2026/](https://19FEB-HANAU.ORG/2026/01/18/JAHRESTAG-2026/)

Mourning Ibrahim Akkuş

„Ibrahim Akkuş survived the racist terrorist attack in Hanau with serious injuries. On 10 January 2026, he died from the long-term effects of his gunshot wounds. The perpetrator shot him eight times in the Arena Bar. Ibrahim Akkuş had to remain in hospital for months and underwent several operations. Afterwards, he was confined to a wheelchair and was increasingly unable to leave his hospital bed. His wife and daughter cared for him with great devotion. Ibrahim Akkuş continued to suffer from the traumatic events of February 2020. Ibrahim Akkuş had lived in Hanau for over 40 years and said after the racist attack: ‘I thought this was a democratic country. No one would kill us.’ We will never forget him."

21 FEBRUARY IN STUTT GART: DEMONSTRATION ON THE STATE ELECTION – STOP RACIST SOCIAL POLICY

NO to the PAY CARD!

NO to the GEAS REFORM!

Support the DEMONSTRATION in STUTT GART as a GROUP/ORGANISATION



We must intervene here with all our political means. Find out about the political plans and follow the current discussions! Join us on the streets of Stuttgart on 21 February and let's show our resistance before the state elections!

We demand:

- Withdrawal of the regulation introducing the payment card!
- The municipalities to opt out of the payment card system at any time!
- No further exclusion in the implementation of the GEAS!

Initiatives NO to the PAYMENT CARD – Baden-Württemberg

2 P.M., SCHLOSSPLATZ STUTT GART, (IN FRONT OF THE NEW PALACE)

PLEASE PASS ON THE INFORMATION! – SUPPORT US AND FIND OUT MORE HERE:

[HTTPS://KURZLINKS.DE/2F8Q](https://kurzlinks.de/2f8q)

[HTTPS://ASYLBEWERBERLEISTUNGSGESETZ-ABSCHAFFEN.DE/2026/01/LANDESWEITE-](https://asylbewerberleistungsgesetz-abschaffen.de/2026/01/landesweite-demonstration-21-02-2026-in-stuttgart-schluss-mit-rassistischer-sozialpolitik/)

[DEMONSTRATION-21-02-2026-IN-STUTT GART-SCHLUSS-MIT-RASSISTISCHER-SOZIALPOLITIK/](https://asylbewerberleistungsgesetz-abschaffen.de/2026/01/landesweite-demonstration-21-02-2026-in-stuttgart-schluss-mit-rassistischer-sozialpolitik/)

NEW ALARM PHONE SAHARA - REPORT: ASSAMAKA, NIGER: MORE THAN 34,000 PEOPLE DEPORTED FROM ALGERIA TO NIGER IN 2025

„Repeated deaths following deportation convoys. Protests by people stranded in Assamaka.



After a wave of mass deportations attracted the attention of the Nigerian and international media in April 2025, deportation convoys from Algeria to the desert on the Niger border, near the village of Assamaka, continued on a large scale throughout 2025:

The Alarm Phone Sahara team in

Assamaka documented at least 34,236 people deported from Algeria in official and unofficial convoys between January and December 2025.

At the same time, it is certain that the actual number far exceeds the documented figures, given that in several cases, local structures were unable to record the number of people taken away in these convoys.

The conditions in which people are deported by the Algerian police and gendarmerie remain precarious and painful. This is especially true for people dropped off in the desert at Point Zero, 15 km from Assamaka, by 'unofficial' convoys, but also for Nigerian citizens, most of whom are loaded onto 'official' deportation convoys.

The Algerian security forces spare no one. Regularly, many women and children, often even babies, are among those deported. Sometimes this even affects people with disabilities, such as the blind. Many people arrive with injuries and trauma inflicted by the security forces.

The collaboration between Maghreb countries in the fight against people on the move, encouraged by EU Member States, and the chain deportations from Tunisia and Algeria are one of the reasons why, in 2024 and 2025, even more people were put on deportation convoys than in previous years.

The Alarme Phone Sahara team provides practical and tireless solidarity on the ground: they travel by tricycle to Point Zero to pick up weakened and injured people who have been abandoned in the desert. They provide them with first aid in the form of water and food kits. They take them to the infirmary...."

FULL REPORT HERE: [HTTPS://ALARMEPHONESAHARA.INFO/EN/NEWS/ASSAMAKA-NIGER-MORE-THAN-34-000-PEOPLE-DEPORTED-FROM-ALGERIA-TO-NIGER-IN-2025](https://alarmephonesahara.info/en/news/assamaka-niger-more-than-34-000-people-deported-from-algeria-to-niger-in-2025)

PLANNED RETURN HUBS – DEPORTATION CENTRES IN UGANDA?

The German government is preparing to set up deportation centres, known as return hubs, outside the EU. Federal Interior Minister Dobrindt is selling this as an 'innovative model' within the framework of GEAS. Together with the interior ministers of Austria, Denmark, the Netherlands and Greece, a hardliner working group has been formed. The most concrete plan at present appears to be a deal that the Netherlands has arranged with the regime in Uganda. Here is a quote from the newspaper Die Zeit:

„...Well, in Brussels, Berlin and other European capitals, they have a surprising amount of time for Uganda. That's because it's high on the list of third countries for deportation centres. These centres will soon be used to house asylum seekers whose applications have been rejected in EU countries. The Dutch government has already signed a memorandum of understanding with Uganda to this effect. However, 'housing' is probably a euphemism. 'Imprisoning' is more accurate. It would be another turning point in the EU's refugee and migration policy, which is no longer really a policy at all, but rather a competition to deter migrants. In both rhetoric and practice, the focus is primarily on 'deportation offensives' and isolation, not on integration and immigration, which ageing Europe so desperately needs...."

READ THE FULL ARTICLE (IN GERMAN) HERE: [HTTPS://WWW.ZEIT.DE/POLITIK/DEUTSCHLAND/2026-01/EU-ABSCHIEBEZENTREN-AFRIKA-ASYLOPOLITIK-UGANDA-5VOR8/KOMPLETTANSICHT](https://www.zeit.de/politik/deutschland/2026-01/eu-abschiebezentren-afrika-asylopolitik-uganda-5vor8/komplettansicht)

RECOMMENDED READING ON THE SITUATION IN IRAN AND SYRIA, AS WELL AS ROJAVA



From the Transnational Social Strike Platform:

„We are publishing the translation of a long article written by Roja, an Iranian, Kurdish, and Afghan feminist and anti-capitalist collective based in Paris, founded in September 2022 in the wake

of the uprising in Iran, which erupted under the slogan “Jin, Jiyan, Azadi” (“Women, Life, Freedom”) following the murder of Jina (Mahsa) Amini by the patriarchal and theocratic government of the Islamic Republic....”

Iran: An Uprising Besieged from Within and Without - Three Perspectives

<https://www.transnational-strike.info/2026/01/15/iran-an-uprising-besieged-from-within-and-without-three-perspectives/>

<https://www.instagram.com/roja.paris/?hl=de>

On Rojava:

Interview with Kerem Schamberger in the newspaper Freitag:

"...You can destroy certain structures in Rojava, but the political experiences of self-organisation, collective coexistence and democratic practice in everyday life cannot be erased from people's collective memory. Even if all this is negated on paper, these experiences and the demands that have arisen from them will remain. They will shape the coming social struggles in Syria..."

FULL TEXT IN GERMAN HERE: [HTTPS://WWW.FREITAG.DE/AUTOREN/SEBASTIAN-BAEHR/ROJAVA-IN-GEFAHR-EIN-EINMARSCH-WUERDE-ETHNISCHE-SAEUBERUNGEN-BEDEUTEN/B0FB6BFF-C49C-4D6F-A779-F9B86D4C0286](https://www.freitag.de/AUTOREN/SEBASTIAN-BAEHR/ROJAVA-IN-GEFAHR-EIN-EINMARSCH-WUERDE-ETHNISCHE-SAEUBERUNGEN-BEDEUTEN/B0FB6BFF-C49C-4D6F-A779-F9B86D4C0286)

MORE TEXTS (IN GERMAN) AT MEDICO INTERNATIONAL:

[HTTPS://WWW.MEDICO.DE/BLOG/ENDE-DER-SELBSTBESTIMMUNG-20372](https://www.medico.de/blog/ende-der-selbstbestimmung-20372)

[HTTPS://WWW.MEDICO.DE/EINE-FRAGE-DER-DEMOKRATIE-20376?MTM_CAMPAIGN=NL_20380](https://www.medico.de/eine-frage-der-demokratie-20376?MTM_CAMPAIGN=NL_20380)



ABOUT THE SOLIDARITY CARAVAN

[HTTPS://PEOPLES CARAVAN.TEM.LI/LANGUAGE/DE/LIVE-TICKER-2/](https://peoplescaravan.tem.li/language/de/live-ticker-2/)

[HTTPS://DEUTSCH.ANF-NEWS.COM/AKTUELLES/TEIL-DER-KARAWANE-AUS-DER-TURKEI-ABGESCHOBEN-50060](https://deutsch.anf-news.com/aktuelles/teil-der-karawane-aus-der-turkei-abgeschoben-50060)

WOZ (WOCHENZEITUNG) ON ICE IN MINNEAPOLIS – RESISTANCE HAS AN IMPACT



„...The US government is resorting to fascist escalation in Minneapolis. For weeks, masked troops have been patrolling the largest city in the state of Minnesota, dragging migrants out of bed and separating parents from their children. Anyone who protests against the raids or even just documents the actions can expect to be met with tear

gas and the threat of being shot. This is what happened to Renee Good at the beginning of January and to Alex Pretti last weekend. Although there are videos of these murders, the government is lying about the events and defaming the victims. Authoritarianism, unmasked. (...)

Tens of thousands of people have demonstrated against ICE in Minneapolis in recent weeks in extreme sub-zero temperatures. Last Friday, the city saw its first general strike in many decades, with more than 700 companies and businesses participating, along with trade unions, churches and schools. Ordinary people, an unusually broad alliance. As soon as ICE shows up somewhere, people are mobilised to the location via chat groups and whistles. The many 'Know Your Rights' training sessions over the past twelve months are having an impact; people know that they are allowed to film ICE operations. In addition, mutual aid networks that emerged during the pandemic and after the murder of George Floyd in 2020 have been reactivated...".

READ THE FULL WOZ ARTICLE (IN GERMAN) HERE:

[HTTPS://WWW.WOZ.CH/2605/ICE-IN-MINNEAPOLIS/WIDERSTAND-WIRKT!E4WZYWDCRRDG](https://www.woz.ch/2605/ICE-IN-MINNEAPOLIS/WIDERSTAND-WIRKT!E4WZYWDCRRDG)

BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN - STREETS OF MINNEAPOLIS (OFFICIAL LYRIC VIDEO)

HERE: [HTTPS://WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/WATCH?V=GDAPDPWA4IW](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GDAPDPWA4IW)

REGULARISATION OF UNDOCUMENTED MIGRANTS IN SPAIN



„...Spain's left-wing government under socialist Prime Minister Pedro Sánchez will legalise at least 500,000 immigrants living in the country without residence and work permits in the coming months. Those affected can submit their applications between the beginning of April and the end of June this year. The

condition is that they must have been in Spain before 31 December 2025. To prove this,

they can submit bills for electricity, water or telephone, registration in the municipal census or documents relating to visits to the doctor. In addition, applicants must have no criminal record. (...) The issue of legalisation has been a topic of debate in Spain for years. A broad alliance of immigrant and solidarity groups, trade unions and the Catholic charity Caritas collected 700,000 signatures in support of regularising the status of undocumented immigrants living in the country and submitted them to the Spanish Parliament...".

FULL ARTICLE (IN GERMAN): [HTTPS://TAZ.DE/500000-EINWANDERER-IN-SPANIEN-SOLLEN-AUFENTHALTSGENEHMIGUNG-ERHALTEN!/6149106/](https://taz.de/500000-einwanderer-in-spanien-sollen-aufenthaltsgenehmigung-erhalten!/6149106/)

OPEN BORDERS – MISSION IMPOSSIBLE? – TWO ARTICLES WORTH READING FROM THE TAZ NEWSPAPER

'Open borders are very much achievable'

Global freedom of movement is not a pipe dream, says political economist Fabian Georgi. The left should hold on to it. - Interview in the taz on 21 December 2025

„taz: Mr Georgi, practically all rich countries are increasingly closing themselves off. You have written a book about the utopia of global freedom of movement. Isn't the idea of open borders worldwide naive?

Fabian Georgi: If I demand that every person should have their own space station, then that is a pipe dream. It is simply not possible with the resources we currently have. But when I say that no one should go hungry or that people should be able to move freely, that is very much achievable. What's more, today's world is so closely interconnected economically, ecologically, socially and communicatively that we also have to think about human freedoms in global terms.

taz: Wouldn't it be easier to fight for a reasonable quality of life everywhere?

Georgi: Freedom of movement and freedom to stay cannot be separated from each other. In a sense, this is a philosophical question: you can only be free to stay if you could also leave. And vice versa. Furthermore, I don't believe that it is really easier to eliminate all causes of flight worldwide than to create infrastructure for the humane reception of refugees, such as sufficient housing and childcare places. ..."

THE ENTIRE INTERVIEW CAN BE FOUND HERE (IN GERMAN): [HTTPS://TAZ.DE/10-JAHRE-WIR-SCHAFFEN-DAS!/6136084/](https://taz.de/10-jahre-wir-schaffen-das!/6136084/)

OPEN BORDERS - Mission impossible?

Guest commentary by Martin Sökefeld in the Taz newspaper on 30 December 2025

"No one thought the abolition of slavery and apartheid was possible, but it happened anyway. Why not hope for open borders too?

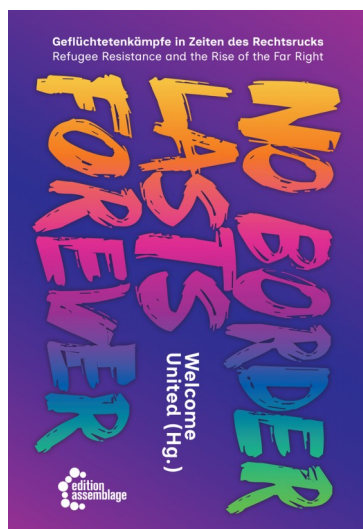
Thinking about abolishing borders is not particularly timely at the moment. The shift in migration policy is intended to 'secure' borders. Abolish borders? Help, no, then the masses will overwhelm us, and the extreme right will become even stronger, chaos everywhere – that's probably what many people think. But isn't that already the case? The same measures are always called for in response: restricting the right to asylum, large-scale deportations, securing the EU's external borders. These measures have not worked so far, and it is questionable whether they will work in the future.

Did the abolition of borders not mean the abolition of the law? Yes, the abolition of borders would mean the abolition of the right to determine who is allowed to live in a country and who is not. Entering a country without the necessary papers is 'illegal'; people without the right of residence must be deported – that is what the law requires. People act as if the right of residence is something natural and ignore the fact that this right was created so that people can be deported. This is a vicious circle: people must be deported because they must be deported. End of discussion. We must question this apparent self-evidence of the law...".

FULL TEXT HERE (IN GERMAN): [HTTPS://TAZ.DE/OFFENE-GRENZEN/16141291/](https://TAZ.DE/OFFENE-GRENZEN/16141291/)

OUTLOOK

19 MARCH IN LEIPZIG: 'NO BORDER LASTS FOREVER' – BOOK PRESENTATION BY WE'LL COME UNITED AT THE BOOK FAIR AND IN THE CITY...



"Europe is experiencing a significant shift to the right – refugees are increasingly being portrayed as political enemies, billions are being invested in isolation, asylum rights are being restricted and migration agreements are being concluded with authoritarian regimes. The aim of this policy is to prevent refugee movements and systematically keep people out of Europe or deport them. But refugees are not accepting this deprivation of rights without protest. They know that only by working together they have a chance to fight back. On the transit routes in Africa, at the EU's external borders and within Europe, they are therefore organising themselves against violence, isolation and racist exclusion. Networks

such as Welcome United stand for this self-organisation.

They are a decentralised initiative of people from different social and political backgrounds, independent of parties or large organisations. They are committed to the long-term right to stay, freedom of movement and equal rights for all, and organise joint political actions at local, national and transnational levels to achieve this. In their new book, No Border Lasts Forever, they bring together reports on struggles against abuse by EU-funded Libyan militias, as well as protests against payment cards and night-time deportations from German Dublin centres. The book refers to the beginnings in the 1990s and includes also current anti-racist alliances in Europe and beyond the Mediterranean.

FULL INVITATION (IN GERMAN) HERE, THE EVENT WILL TAKE PLACE IN ENGLISH:

[HTTPS://TAZ.DE/TAZ-TALK-MEETS-BUCHMESSE-LEIPZIG-2026/!VN6144013/](https://TAZ.DE/TAZ-TALK-MEETS-BUCHMESSE-LEIPZIG-2026/!VN6144013/)

IN ADDITION, THERE WILL LIKELY BE ANOTHER EVENT ABOUT THE BOOK FOLLOWED BY A DISCUSSION ON THE SAME EVENING IN LEIPZIG.

26/27 MARCH IN HAMBURG: KRITNET CONFERENCE



Netzwerk kritische Migrations- und
Grenzregimeforschung

At this edition of the kritnet meeting, entitled 'Authoritarianism and Border Regimes', we want to focus in particular on the current racist tightening of migration

policy and the resulting erosion of fundamental principles of democracy and the rule of law. In view of state repression and an authoritarian turn in Europe and many other countries around the world, we invite activists and academics to join us in discussing analyses of the current situation, strategies of resistance and possible political interventions.

In the tradition of 'scientific anti-fascism,' the conference combines analyses of labour exploitation and border externalisation with conceptual-theoretical debates and possibilities for political intervention, as well as the reappraisal of anti-racist knowledge archives from previous struggles. The programme offers space to discuss the materialisation of borders – for example, through payment cards or camp structures – and to strengthen resilient structures of solidarity. The aim is to bring together critical research and practical experience in order to forge alliances against authoritarianism.

ATTACHED, YOU WILL FIND LINKS TO THE PROGRAMME AND THE REGISTRATION FORM. WE KINDLY ASK YOU TO REGISTER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, AS WE ALSO ASK FOR SOME INFORMATION THAT IS IMPORTANT FOR THE FURTHER PLANNING AND ORGANISATION OF THE CONFERENCE. THE REGISTRATION DEADLINE FOR THE CONFERENCE IS 22 FEBRUARY 2026.

PROGRAMME: [HTTPS://NEXT.KRITNET.ORG/2026/01/21/KRITNET-KONFERENZ-2026-AUTORITARISMUS-UND-GRENZREGIME-KAEMPF-UM-MIGRATION-RECHTE-UND-DEMOKRATIE/](https://next.kritnet.org/2026/01/21/kritnet-konferenz-2026-autoritarismus-und-grenzregime-kaempfe-um-migration-rechte-und-demokratie/)

REGISTRATION FORM: [HTTPS://FRAMAFORMS.ORG/REGISTRATION-KRITNET-CONFERENCE-2026-1767712389](https://framaforms.org/registration-kritnet-conference-2026-1767712389)

WE LOOK FORWARD TO RECEIVING MANY REGISTRATIONS AND HAVING EXCITING DISCUSSIONS IN HAMBURG!

28 MARCH IN VALLETTA: PROTEST ACTION MARKING SEVEN YEARS OF CRIMINALISATION OF EL HIBLU 3



At the end of March 2026, it will be seven years since three young human rights defenders in Malta were charged with terrorism and other offences. In 2019, they were involved as mediators and translators in preventing an illegal pushback. However, the prosecution continues to pursue criminal charges. Against this backdrop, a seven-hour protest action is being prepared for

Saturday, 28 March, in Valletta.

FURTHER INFORMATION WILL BE AVAILABLE HERE SOON: [HTTPS://ELHIBLU3COALITION.ORG/](https://elhibleu3coalition.org/)

12-14 JUNE IN JENA: „ENTGRENZT“ (DEBORDERED) - FIRST MIGRATION LAW CONFERENCE

„Borders are drawn, borders are made – in life and in law. Migration means crossing these borders, questioning them and dissolving them. Law also means setting limits on the state's claim to power. Not only people, but also authorities and courts cross



borders. External borders are becoming higher, and the plans for the Common European Asylum System (CEAS) do not bode well.

We need answers. And we need to take a stand. All of us.

From 12 to 14 June 2026 (just in time for the launch of GEAS), the long-overdue Migration Law Days will take place in Jena for the first time. Together with you, we want to dare to break down the boundaries of our present and future. We will discuss where rules are being overturned, how interpretation is opening up new paths, and where society and the law collide. Going beyond familiar legal formats, this is about more than just paragraphs. We will talk about the social and cultural dimensions of the blurring of boundaries between law, society and the future.

Controversial, courageous, inspiring. Let's go to Jena!"

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