



HOW TO SUPPORT REFUGEES – EUROPEAN EXPERIENCES OF VOLUNTEER WORK FOR AND WITH REFUGEES

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Refugees are one of the most vulnerable segments of the population, and therefore need safe and professional care and support. Volunteers' contribution can be an important part of this as it is the collective work of people all around the world that can eventually make a difference if public institutions are not able and/or not willing to respond to the challenge. Volunteers support refugees in different ways. On the other hand, many of the refugees themselves have free time and skills which they can use to help their communities, and they may use volunteering as a step towards integration and paid employment.

The ways of how countries and cities across Europe are affected and deal with refugees differ greatly. This event addresses examples of volunteering for and with refugees, including how to recruit volunteers, the types of activities volunteers can undertake, the provision of adequate training and support to volunteers, and how to help refugees' integration in our societies.

At the spotlight will be reports from activities from the three cities Lisbon, Barcelona and Berlin about experiences with spontaneous ad-hoc and creative helping, self-organized or central coordinated initiatives, and protests for taking in more refugees. Activists, specialists, researchers, refugees and volunteers will have different answers to the questions at stake: What are visions and obstacles for volunteer work? How to come from humanitarian support to integration of refugees into society?

PROGRAM

14h00 // INTRODUCTION

Nina Amelung // Volunteer, Lisbon
Martin Pairet // European Alternatives, Berlin
Reinhard Naumann // Friedrich Ebert Foundation, Lisbon

14h15 // ROUNDTABLE

VOLUNTEER WORK FOR AND WITH REFUGEES PATHS FROM HUMANITARIAN HELP TO INTEGRATION

Joaquim Fraga // Plataforma de Apoio aos Refugiados, Lisbon
Andréa Martinez // Refugees Welcome Portugal, Lisbon
Rui Tavares // European Alternatives, Lisbon
Francisco Font Bell // Associação de Refugiados em Portugal, Porto
Moderation: Inês Vieira // CICS.NOVA-FCSH/NOVA, Lisbon

15h15 // WORLD CAFE

IF NOT US THEN WHO? VOLUNTEERING FOR AND WITH REFUGEES IN EUROPE

16h30 // COFFEE BREAK WITH EXHIBITION

MEET VOLUNTEER INITIATIVES WORKING WITH AND FOR REFUGEES

17h15 // ROUNDTABLE AND DISCUSSION

HOW CITIES SUPPORT REFUGEES: EXAMPLES FROM BERLIN, BARCELONA AND LISBON

Felix Eikenberg // Forum Berlin, Friedrich Ebert Foundation, Berlin
Andreas Tölke // Be an Angel e.V., Berlin
Sonia Abella // Barcelona en Comú, Barcelona
Cristina Santinho // CRIA/ISCTE-IUL, Lisbon
N.N. // Solidariedade Imigrante (tbc), Lisbon
Moderation: Martin Pairet // European Alternatives, Berlin

18h30 // CLOSING

Free entrance, but previous registration required until June 6:
Friedrich Ebert Foundation, Tel. 21 357 33 75, info@feslisbon.org

Seminar in English and Portuguese (simultaneous translation provided)
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