

Fortress or Area of Freedom? Euro-Mediterranean Border Management

Berlin, 19 - 20 May 2009

Program update (13-05-2009)

Day 1 Tuesday, 19 May 2009

16.00 h Registration

16.20 h *Opening Remarks*

Ralf Fücks, Heinrich Böll Stiftung, Berlin

Viola Seeger, Robert Bosch Stiftung, Stuttgart

Michael Bird, British Council, Berlin

16.40 h *Film Presentation*

"I Broke my Future - Paradise Europe" (2007)

Carla Gunnesch, Director, Berlin

17.40 h Tea / Coffee Break

18.00 h **Poverty Meets Fortress**

Keynote

Fatou Diome

Writer, Strasbourg

18.30 h *Panel Discussion*

Peter Altmaier, Parliamentary State Secretary at the Federal Ministry of the Interior, Berlin

Francis Etienne, Director, Ministry of Immigration, Integration, National Identity and Development, Paris

Omid Nouripour, MP, Parliamentary Group Alliance 90/The Greens, Frankfurt a. M.

Ambassador Mahamat S. Annadif, Permanent Representative of the African Union at the European Union, Brussels

Klaus Roesler, Director of Operations Division, Frontex, Warsaw

Chair: Melinda Crane, Deutsche Welle TV, Berlin

20.00 h **Reception and Music:** Shri with DJ Badmarsh, London

Day 2 **Wednesday, 20 May 2009**

9.00 h Registration

9.30 h Opening

9.45 h **Africa-Europe Dynamic: The Push and Pull Factors of Migration**

Keynote

Elizabeth Adjei

Director, Ghana Immigration Service, Accra

Discussion

10.30 h **Roundtable 1 – In Search of Security: High Risk at Any Cost?**

- *Who are the people crossing?*
- *Why do they leave their homelands?*
- *How do they cross the borders?*
- *What do they face upon arrival?*

Input

Yayi Bayam Diouf, Women's Association against Illegal Migration, Thiaroye

Pippo Costella, On the Road, Martinsicuro

Prof. Loren Landau, Director Forced Migration Studies Programme, University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg

Chair: **Dr. Derek Lutterbeck**, Mediterranean Academy of Diplomatic Studies, Malta

Roundtable 2 – In Search of Cheap Labour: Jobs for the "Undocumented"?

- *What are the jobs waiting for undocumented migrants?*
- *What is the effect on local labour markets?*
- *What is the gender division?*

Input

Martin Baldwin-Edwards, Co-Director Mediterranean Migration Observatory, Athens

Prof. Mehdi Lahlou, Institute National de Statistique et d'Economie Appliquée, Rabat

Hakam El Asri, Director, Labour Migration Partnership, Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs, Paris

Chair: **Dr. Jean-Pierre Cassarino**, International Training Centre of the International Labour Organisation, Turin

Roundtable 3 - Migration vs. Security? Border Management in the Euro-Mediterranean

- *How does security comply with the EU immigration and asylum policy?*
- *What is the EU border management strategy?*
- *What are the challenges?*

Input

Dr. Henk van Houtum, Head of the Nijmegen Centre for Border Research, Nijmegen

Manuel Ferrer Muñoz, Centro Europeo de Estudios sobre Flujos Migratorios, Canary Islands

Prof. Mustafa Omar Attir, Director, Center for Sustainable Development, Tripoli

Chair: **Julien Simon**, Programme Manager for Mediterranean Transit Migration Dialogue, Vienna

13.15 h Lunch

14.30 h **Plenary Session with Roundtable Speakers**

15.30 h Tea / Coffee Break

16.00 h **EU-Africa Partnership: Towards a Common Perspective**

Panel Discussion

Kerstin Müller, MP, Parliamentary Group Alliance 90/The Greens, Cologne

Hugh Bayley, MP, Labour Party, City of York

Ambassador Nehad Abdel Latif, Director General, Secretariat for Coordination and Implementation Egypt-EU Partnership, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Cairo

Manuel Pombo, Special Representative of the Director General, International Organization for Migration, Madrid

Chair: Melinda Crane, Deutsche Welle TV, Berlin

17.30 h **Closure**



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