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### UNITE FOR CITY RIGHTS, 12 MAY 19-22 H DE ZWIJGER AMSTERDAM

Since 2019, a network of grass-roots, migrant-led and cultural institutional organisations have collaborated to co-create a Toolkit for Inclusive Cities: a collection of innovative and creative practices and ideas to make cities more inclusive, focused on undocumented people.

In a diverse thematic evening (7-10PM) full of programmes, there are several break-outs in which the topics related to the toolkit will be discussed.

This evening is a festive launch of the toolkit created by the European network City Rights United. You are invited to join the conversations, presentations and debates to learn more about and engage with the practices that help make our cities more inclusive.

<https://dezwijger.nl/programma/unite-for-city-rights>

## ADMISSION POLICY

### Court of Appeal: Iranian authorities offer no protection against honour violence

This concerns the asylum application made by an Iranian woman. She told that she had problems because she had converted but this was not believed by the IND and the Court was of the same opinion. She also told that her brother had falsely accused her of adultery and she fears honour violence. Her brother had just been released from prison. The IND stated that the Iranian authorities could protect her against the honour violence by her brother but the Court is of a different opinion. In accordance with the latest official notice from February 2021 the Iranian authorities offer no protection against honour violence. The IND has to reconsider this asylum application (Court of Appeal Utrecht, NL21.18631, 21.4.22).

### Court of Appeal: Nigerian authorities offer no protection against reprisals by human traffickers

This case concerns a Nigerian asylum seeker. She stated that she had been brought to The Netherlands by a human trafficker and that she still owes him 30,000 euro. The IND believes this. She stated that she and her family are in danger if she does not repay this debt. But the IND are of the opinion that the Nigerian authorities can protect her from this risk.

The court disagreed with the assessment made by the IND. According to the latest official notice from March 2021 the attitude of human traffickers towards victims who do not repay their debts has hardened and family members and the victims themselves are at risk. According this official notice the Nigerian authorities cannot offer protection against these reprisals. The court has decided that the IND has to reconsider this asylum application. You will find more information [here](#).

### Comensha: Schrijnend Pad procedure [Compassionate Path procedure] for victims of human trafficking

For victims of human trafficking who cannot make an official statement about their trafficker, for example because they have medical or psychological problems or because of risks or because of minority there is a special procedure – the so-called Schrijnend Pad procedure. Under certain conditions these victims can still be granted a residence permit. You will find more information [here](#).

## ACTIVITIES

### Briefing Dutch Lower House about EU proposal violence against women, 24 May 16:15-17:15

The EU proposes to offer victims of gender-related violence better protection by means of a Directive. In principle the Dutch authorities are in favour of this protection but they are of the opinion the proposal contains too many details. For example The Netherlands are of the opinion that the EU does not need to prescribe who is eligible for admission in women's shelters. During this meeting the contents of the EU proposal will be discussed. You will find more information [here](#).

### Conference: Sexual and Gender-Based Violence: Aid to Refugee Women, 24 May 1-5pm R'dam

One in five women with a refugee background experiences sexual or gender-based violence. Without the right help, women can suffer from the consequences for a long time, both physically, mentally and socially. It is therefore important that they are aware of what sexual and gender-based violence is, what the consequences can be and that they can receive appropriate help.

Voice of All Women and Pharos developed a methodology to make sexual and gender-based violence a topic for discussion among women with a refugee background. They will present the methodology and the manual on 24 May. Welcome after registration [here](#).

ILO: Protecting the rights of migrant workers in irregular situations and addressing irregular labour migration: A compendium

This ILO Compendium explains the various situations that can lead migrant workers into irregular status; the rights of migrant workers in irregular situations; and the relevant international legal frameworks and guidance. The compendium presents practices that can help prevent irregular labour migration, including through pathways out of irregularity, and facilitate improvements in labour migration processes. See [here](#).

Founded in 2003, the LOS national foundation for undocumented migrants (Landelijk Ongedocumenteerden Steunpunt) is the knowledge centre for people and organisations providing assistance to undocumented migrants. The LOS foundation is devoted to the basic rights of these migrants and their children.