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LIBE-STUDY: THE FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS OF IRREGULAR MIGRANT WORKERS IN THE EU - UNDERSTANDING AND REDUCING PROTECTION GAPS

This study aims to inform policy debates about how to protect more effectively the fundamental rights of irregular migrant workers in the EU. It analyses the nature and causes of the gaps between the fundamental rights protections enshrined in EU legal standards and the rights realised by irregular migrants working in EU Member States in practice, and it discusses strategies for how these ‘protection gaps’ can be reduced.

See [here](#)

ADMISSION POLICY

Court: after divorce, women in Iran at risk of honour-related violence

This case was about a divorced Iranian woman who survived an acid attack by her ex-husband but did not dare report it to the police. The judge found that the IND should take more account of the risk of honour-related violence faced by divorced women. The justice system in Iran offers women little voice, and so little protection. See [here](#)

ACTIVITIES

Reminder: No Border Camp Nederland, Zuid Holland, 8-14 Aug, also for undocumented people!

Themes such as borders, EU policy and refugees are central to this camp. There will be workshops, readings, activities, music and artistic expressions related to these themes. Furthermore, both low-risk and high-risk actions will take place.

For undocumented people / refugees and migrants there are interpreters and money for travel costs. We are still looking for people (also undocumented) to help with organising. All help and ideas are welcome!

Get in touch with Sybrand Punt via s.punt@stichtinggast.nl or tel 0649825414

Training: digital storytelling, 27-28 Aug, Amsterdam

The European Digimi project aims to make newcomers feel more at home in their new surroundings through (digital) storytelling. One of the focal points is connecting different groups in society. To achieve this, in the last two years they have worked on a method and a web app that can be used to facilitate discussion between people and allow them to share their stories.

This method and web app are also the basis of this training for trainers. In this two-day training course, you will acquire more knowledge of and experience in working with (digital) stories. Furthermore, we will look at how you can work with different groups and how you can connect people. You can put the skills you acquire to use three weeks later, during the Digimi Event, Meeting each other in stories and film, which is taking place in Amsterdam on 18 September.

Sign up for the training [here](#)! If you have any questions, please call us 020-4121415 or email hamed@storytelling-centre.nl

Strengthen the position of Domestic Workers in NL:

Wonda Collective has put out a call for action to support domestic workers: see [here](#).

Check the obligations of employees of Domestic Workers on the FNV website [here](#).

And look at the rights of Domestic Workers [here](#).

European Parliament paves the way towards recognition of Domestic Workers in Europe

The European Parliament in Plenary adopted a resolution Towards a common European action on care, an important step forward towards the value, recognition and professionalisation of the domestic sector in Europe.

The report also calls on Member states to ratify and implement ILO Convention 189 concerning decent work for domestic workers and no. 190 on violence and harassment in the world of work. See [here](#)

Call out for domestic workers for interviews

At Utrecht University we are doing research into how domestic workers in the Netherlands experience their jobs. For example, we are asking why they do this work, what the good and bad aspects of the job are, and what their working conditions are like.

Using your answers we can advise Dutch policymakers how they can best help domestic workers.

As thanks for your participation in this research, we will email you a gift voucher worth €25. If you would like to take part, please email David de Kort: d.dekort@uu.nl

Since 2003, the LOS Foundation (the Dutch acronym for 'Landelijk Ongedocumenteerden Steunpunt') has been the knowledge centre for people and organizations providing assistance to undocumented migrants. LOS Foundation devotes itself to the basic rights of these migrants and their children.