

March 2018 Newsletter

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OUR LATEST PUBLICATIONS



Immigration Detention in Ireland: Will Better Detention Mean More Detention? The number of individuals placed in immigration detention in Ireland is relatively low. However, as the GDP's latest country profile highlights, a failure to separate between administrative and criminal detention, and the country's decision to place immigration detainees in prisons rather than dedicated facilities, has seen Ireland face significant international criticism. The government has long planned to open a dedicated immigration detention facility, which may bring the country closer into line with international norms but also result in more people being detained. [Read the full report](#)

Submission to the UN Committee on Migrant Workers: Algeria

Migrants and asylum seekers transiting Algeria are exposed to discrimination, arrest, detention, and waves of expulsions. In this joint submission to the UN Committee on Migrant Workers, the GDP and Le Collectif Loujna Tounkaranké highlight many of the concerns about conditions in detention, the length of detention, and expulsion procedures. [Read the submission here.](#)



The Migrant Workers Convention: A Legal Tool to Safeguard Migrants Against Arbitrary Detention

Adopted in 1990 and in force since 2003, the [International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families](#) is the most comprehensive international treaty concerning migration and human rights. However, to date, it has only been ratified by 51 states—none of which are industrialised, migrant-receiving countries. In this [chapter](#) for the 2018 volume *Shining New Light on the UN Migrant Workers Convention*, GDP Senior Researcher Mariette Grange details how the convention safeguards migrants against arbitrary detention. However, as she explains, “the full breadth of potential application of ICRMW safeguards during administrative detention of migrants remains to be tested as countries with the largest immigration detention estates evade scrutiny of their policies and practice through non-ratification of the Convention.” More information about *Shining New Light on the UN Migrant Workers Convention* is available [here](#).

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