



Landscapes of Border Control and Immigration Detention in Europe

Online conference

24-26 May 2021

MONDAY 24TH MAY

Panel 1: Researching detention and displacement (09:00-11:00)

Chair: Dominic Aitken, University of Bath

The politics of pain in detention, Mary Bosworth, University of Oxford and Monash University, Australia

Places in Nowhere: The politics of refugees' detention in police stations and pre-removal centres in Greece, Evgenia Iliadou, University of Surrey

Chase away, choke and disperse. Displacement as a political technology of migration containment, Martina Tazzioli, Goldsmith University

Mapping Home in Displacement after Detention, Sana Murrani, University of Plymouth

Panel 2: Monitoring detention and borders (11:30-13:45)

Chair: Mike Flynn, Global Detention Project

The CPT: A critical voice for minimum immigration detention standards in Europe, Hugh Chetwynd, CPT

The Greek Ombudsman as human rights monitor in the international protection procedures: Recent developments in the implementation of administrative detention measures and the forced returns operations, George Nikolopoulos, NMP Greece

The Italian National Guarantor's monitoring activity on immigration detention, Elena Adamoli, NPM Italy

The Portuguese Terminal: detention centres in airports and their monitoring by the NPM, João Costa - NPM Portugal

Immigration detention under the scrutiny of international bodies, Carmen Comas-Mata, SPT

Monitoring immigration detention and prisons in the UK during the COVID-19 pandemic, Hindpal Singh Bhui, Inspection Team Leader at HM Inspectorate of Prisons (HMIP), UK

Panel 3: Other sites of detention (14:30-16:30)

Chair: Francesca Esposito, University of Oxford

Hidden detention spaces at the Greek-Turkish border: informal infrastructures, border violence and the European border regime, Lena Karamanidou, Department of Economics and Law, Glasgow Caledonian University and Bernd Kasperek

Moria 2.0: Controlled Camps in a Closed Island, Amanda Munoz de Toro, NGO Fenix

Confinement in airport transit zones and obstacles to the exercise of the right to asylum, Giulia Crescini, ASGI

Quarantine ships: a temporary measure or a new approach beyond the emergency? Laura Lo Verde, PhD student, University of Palermo and member of Cledu - Legal Clinic for Human Rights of the University of Palermo

Changing spatio-temporalities of detention and deportation at Europe's borders: The case of the Greek hotspots from 2015-2020, Aila Spathopoulou

TUESDAY 25TH MAY

Panel 4: Bordering, pushbacks and detention (09:00-11:30) no recording

Chair: Sanja Milivojevic, University of Oxford

Pushbacks, border crimes and accountability in the Aegean and Central Mediterranean regions. An account from Watch the Med - Alarm Phone; Maro Lazarou, Lorenz Naegeli, Chiara Denaro and Deanna Dadusc, Watch the Med - Alarm Phone

Paranesti, police brutality and pushbacks: a microcosm of systematic criminalisation and incarceration in Greece, Hope Barker - Senior policy analyst, Border Violence Monitoring Network

Investigating Border Violence across the Evros/Meriç river Stefanos Levidis, Forensic Architecture; Defending human rights amidst more securitization of the land borders against the "invisible enemy", Maria Paraskeva, HR360

Human rights monitoring of small boat crossings in the channel, Channel Rescue

Policing the Channel: UK/France border security developments on shore and at sea, Watch the Channel

Invisible gates within Europe, Anna Brambilla, ASGI

Panel 5: Examining the legality of detention (11:45-13:45)

Chair: Devyani Prabhat, University of Bristol

Lexilium: an insight of a legal failure, Maurizio Veglio and Ulrich Sege

Migration detention in Greece: Administrative discretion and limited judicial scrutiny Alexandros Konstantinou, lawyer, Greek Council for Refugees (dep Coordination of Legal Unit), member of the Greek National Commission for Human Rights (GNCHR)

‘If this ain’t detention, what is it then?’ Exploring detention processes for unaccompanied minors in Greece, Ioannis Papadopoulos (LL.M.; Ph.D.), Institute of Criminal Justice Studies, University of Portsmouth, UK

The Legal Architecture of Immigration Detention – is it a House of Cards?, Sangeetha Iengar, Barrister, Goldsmith Chambers

Panel 6: Gender and Detention (14:30-17:00)

Chair: Mary Bosworth, University of Oxford and Monash University, Australia

The gendered harms of the UK detention system, Aminata Kalokoh, Border Criminologies; The gendered regime of detention in Italy and Portugal, Francesca Esposito Border Criminologies

A gendered approach to freedom of movement’s restrictions, Enrica Rigo - Rome Legal Clinic

The work of feminist organisations inside detention sites, Francesca De Masi - BeFree (Italy)

Fathers and immigration detention: narratives of love and powerlessness, Kate Alexander, PhD student, University of Glasgow and Director of Scottish Detainee Visitors

Immigrant women detained in Greece: Hidden for their ‘security’, Andriani Fili, University of Oxford and Lancaster University

WEDNESDAY 26TH MAY

Panel 7: Police and State violence (09:30-11:30)

Chair: Samuel Singler, University of Oxford

Hostility and care: Police-officers' encounters with migrants in Greece, Katerina Rozakou, Assistant professor, Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences

Policing, Racism and Violence: Experiences of People Seeking Asylum in Britain, Monish Bhatia, Birkbeck, University of London

Greece: Racism, detention, police violence and the lukewarm response of the judiciary, Vassilis Tsarnas, Greek Helsinki Monitor

A matter of deportation or territory control? Immigration detention and the police in Italy, Giulia Fabini

Roundtable: Activism, resistance and challenges to detention and border control (13:30-15:30)

Chair: Martina Tazzioli, Goldsmith University

Mapping detention: Opportunities and challenges, Andriani Fili, University of Oxford and Francesca Esposito, University of Oxford

Mapping accountability/non-accountability and the lack of information for detention, Phevos, Disinfo Collective

Detention, deportation, and the activist network of resistance, Yasmine Accardo and Francesca Mazzuzzi—LasciateCIEntrare Campaign (Italy)

Tom Kemp, Detained Voices

Panellist(s) from These Walls Must Fall, a network of community activists campaigning to end immigration detention in the UK based in Manchester, Merseyside, West and South Yorkshire

Activists from ‘Women for Refugee Women’ and ‘Sisters not Strangers’

Concluding keynote (16:00)

Advancing Abolitionism: Why the Immigration Detention Industry Must End, Vicky Canning, University of Bristol