

INTERNATIONAL WEBINAR

21.05.2021 | 2.3pm–4pm (Lisbon time) | *ONLINE (ZOOM)*

“We don't want strangers” - Racism and Discrimination on Migration

CONTEXT

Discrimination on the grounds of race or ethnic origin is banned in the European Union and yet it continues to exist in our society. It is not enough to be against racism. We must act against it. Racism damages society in multiple ways. Most directly, it means that large numbers of people living in Europe suffer discrimination, undermining their human dignity, life chances, prosperity, and well-being, and often their personal security. Discrimination also means that basic values of the European Union are not respected. Everyone in the Union should be able to enjoy their fundamental rights and freedoms and equal participation in society regardless of their racial or ethnic origin.

In, A Union of Equality: EU Action Plan Against Racism 2020-2025

Globalisation has led to the creation of new social dynamics. Migrations, often resulting from war scenarios, poverty, extreme weather phenomena, challenge international physical and conceptual borders. The migratory phenomenon, which arises in a context marked by major socio-cultural changes, has also triggered racism, and hate speech. Although international migration, in its increasingly complex forms, must be analysed from a social, economic, and political point of view, we know that it is essential to ensure the promotion of human dignity and absolute respect for human rights. Therefore, and on the day that we celebrate the World Day of Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development it becomes crucial and urgent to debate and reflect on all forms of disturbance and limitation of equal rights and equal opportunities.

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SPEAKERS

Juliana Wahlgren | European Network Against Racism (ENAR)



Juliana Wahlgren joined ENAR in 2006. She previously worked as a legal counsellor for ASTI (Association de soutien aux travailleurs immigrés), one of ENAR's members in Luxembourg, during three years, and before that as a lawyer in a multinational oil and gas company in Brazil. She holds a Bachelor of Law from the Federal University of Rio de Janeiro (Brazil) and was an international Fellow at the Albert Ludwig University of Freiburg (Germany). Areas of work: Migration; Antisemitism and National Action Plans Against Racism.

Emellin de Oliveira | Researcher at the Research Center on Law and Society (CEDIS)



PhD student at the Nova School of Law, PhD scholarship by the Foundation for Science and Technology (FCT) and researcher at the Research Center on Law and Society of the Faculty of Law (Nova Law School) of Universidade Nova de Lisboa (CEDIS). She has a degree in Law from the Federal University of Ceará (Brazil) and a master's in International Migrations from ISCTE-IUL. She has practiced Law in Brazil and Portugal in the field of Migration Law, collaborating with several Associations and Civil Entities, both in trainings and in legal advice on issues related to Immigration and Asylum. Her research aims to legally analyse the Securitisation of Migration in the European Union.

Member of the European Parliament (to be confirmed)

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PROGRAMME

CONTENT	SPEAKER	DURATION
Opening	IMVF	5 min
The international view of racism and the racialisation of migration	Juliana Wahlgren - European Network Against Racism (ENAR)	20 min
Migrations resulting from new social dynamics	Emellin de Oliveira - Researcher at the Centre for R&D in Law and Society (CEDIS)	20 min
Migration and Racism	Member of the European Parliament (tbc)	20 min
Debate		20 min
Closing	IMVF	5 min

PROJECT

TAS – Thesis, Antithesis, Synthesis – Migration Labs project has been promoting the principles of EU citizenship and the improvement of civic and democratic participation at EU level, reaffirming values of solidarity, intercultural dialogue, mutual understanding and combatting existing stereotypes on migration and minorities.

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