ONLINE CONFERENCE

THURSDAY, 1st DECEMBER 2022

CRIMINALISING THE REFUGEE "BORDER CRISIS" ON THE GREEK-TURKISH BORDER

DURATION13:30 - 16:30
(UK TIME)

The conference will be held online via zoom. To attend, register here.

PROGRAM

13:30 - 13:35 Welcome

Eleni Stambogli, RCH Treasurer

13:35-13:50 Introduction

Dimitris Koros, Scientific Associate, Law School, Democritus University of Thrace

"Emergency (in)justice: criminalisation and victimisation. Main findings of the research project"

PANEL 1

13:50-14:50 Chair: Dimitris Koros

Each panelist will give a 10 min presentation, followed by discussion

Vasilis Kerasiotis, Attorney at Law, HIAS Country Director

"Criminalization of irregular entry: Punishing refugees for EU's failed externalization policy"

Thomas Charalampidis, Attorney at Law, ARSIS Child Protection Lawyer

"Delivering justice in an era of exception. Minors accused of illegal entry in Greece in March 2020. Children or invaders?"

Alexandros Konstantinou, Attorney at Law, Head of Legal Research, Greek Council for Refugees "The concept of instrumentalisation and fundamental rights"

Anastasia Chalkia, Ph.D., Criminologist-Course coordinator/instructor, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens

"Crimmigrating International Protection: European policies on migration and asylum in relation to current armed conflicts"

14:50-15:00 Break

PANEL 2

15:00-16:00 Chair: Victoria Taylor

Each panelist will give a 10 min presentation, followed by discussion

Stefanos Levidis, Dimitra Andritsou, Forensic Architecture/Forensis

"Investigating border violence in the Evros/Meriç and the Aegean Sea"

Natasha Ntailiani, Attorney at Law, Head of Legal Team, Legal Centre Lesvos "Violation of human rights of migrants and refugees and criminalization of human rights defenders in the era of COVID: the example of Lesvos in spring 2020"

Vasilis Tsianos, Professor of Sociology, Kiel University of Applied Sciences and Nicos Trimikliniotis, Professor of Sociology, Social Sciences and Law, University of Nicosia "Racial B/Orders: Violence, State Crimes and the Politics of Enmity at the Edges of Europe"

Maria Ioannou, Assistant Professor, University College Groningen and Maria Avramidou, Lecturer in Media and Communication, Erasmus University, Rotterdam "Innocent' Hashtags? Antimigrant debates on Twitter around #IStandWithGreece and their affinity to European border politics"

16:00-16:30 "A way forward? The future of refugee protection at the border"

Chair: Dimitris Koros

A final discussion between panelists and the audience envisaging ways forward for the future of protection.



