NoBorder goes Blockupy!

Antiracist networks call for actions against the inauguration of the new ECB tower in Frankfurt on March, 18th

2014 was a historical year for social and political struggles of the movements of migration: Record figures on crossing the Central Mediterranean and the Aegean, collective mass runs of the fences of Ceuta and Melilla, protests and persistant waiting for the right moment in Calais and Patras, Revolts and hunger strikes in detention centers all over Europe, the occupation of houses and squares in Athens, Rome and Berlin, successful actions and church asylums against Dublin-deportations as well as the actual reduction of the custody pending deportation in Germany, the march for freedom from Strasburg to Brussels, and much more.

Freedom but Frontex

Symbolic protests and daily resistance attack the ruling politics of migration on all levels. Never before the inner and outer borders of the EU have been that heavily contested. Frontex and thousands of deaths at sea, deportations via Dublin-regulation, controls and arrest – regular or à la "mos maiorum", and the internment in detention centers are examples for the deadly and inhuman EUborderregime, that is confronted with the rising of self-organized struggles for the right of freedom of movement everywhere.

Reasons of flight and global crisis

The inequalities inside Europe are intensifying due to the austerity-politics, the implementation follows the program of the International Monetary Fund in the global south of the past decades. There life under the conditions of crisis is normality, caused by climate change, exploitation of resources and the theft of raw materials, by landgrabbing, hunger crisis and resource wars. 1000 good reasons to leave home in search of a better life.

Against division and exploitation...

The borderregime serves as a filter, that the "fittest" at the most can get through. Those in power speak of "management of migration" in combining measures of exclusion with the recruitment of cheap labor.

Residence permits are linked to employment, criminalization and deportation are instruments of blackmailing migrants. Worldwide there is a process of creating racist hierarchies, when social and political rights are refused – with gradual differentiation for different groups of migrants. This new Apartheid is customized to the requirements of the employment market of the Global North and Germany last but not least. In the shadows of the glass fronts of the skyscrapers the metropolitan economics of services are functioning – on the basis of precarious employment relationships and the hyper-exploitation mostly of migrants.

... crossing borders of different struggles

Sans Papieres and migrants (CISPM) declare during their transnational meeting in November 2014 in Rome: "We are convinced that the unique cure to point

the political responsabilities of so many injustices and inequalities, is the unity among migrants, workers, precarious, undocumented migrants, refugees, students, unemployed, asylum seekers and each victim of the crisis..., and because the war among poor or exploited only is useful to those who exploit, here in Europe or anywhere else.."

The movements and struggles of migration are crossing throughout Europe. The "social strike" on November, 14th in Italy brought refugees and workers together, in Hamburg and Berlin the current refugee-struggles and right-to-the city-initiatives are connecting and they demand housing space and working permits for all as well as the abolishment of deportations. Whether actions or manifestations regarding right-to-the-city, crisis or precarious labor – there are many possible connections to develop an emancipatory overall perspective with and within the struggles for global freedom of movement and against all racist laws.

No more "Pegida"!

Connecting the protests against the politics of austerity and those against the borderregime is even more important, as Europeanwide new rightwing parties propagate authoritarian measures against the crisis. Right wing and Nazis especially in the East of Germany protest against the accommodation of refugees. Furthermore every week the right mob of PEGIDA is on the streets. Except for some few cities in the East of Germany the right wing mob could not gain ground in the streets so that instead the few hundred racists face several thousands of counter-demonstrators from Lübeck to Freiburg.

From Athens to Frankfurt!

Syriza's victory in Greece offers space to transform – not only for the struggle against the brutal politics of austerity but also against inhuman system of detention and the borderregime. Despite the coalition with the right wing populists of the "Independent Greeks" the politics of determent and internment in the Aegean is may going to change. We will see in the weeks to come if elections sometimes can change something - it depends on the pressure from the streets at last. Right now we are observing the institutions of power in Brussels, Berlin and Frankfurt applying pressure on the new Greek government to stick to the rules of the EU politics of exploitation and exclusion.

That's why we will come to Frankfurt on March, 18th. To set a radical mark of transnational solidarity inside the financial metropolis of Frankfurt.

We antiracist groups and migration related networks call to come to Frankfurt to make visible the demands and aims of the daily struggles against exclusion and precarization: in resistance against the tightening of asylum laws, against Dublin-deportations as well as the new campaign "Push Back Frontex!" and for global freedom of movement for all!

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