WEST AGAINST RACISM NETWORK

SCREENING OF THE DOCUMENTARY

'HOW MUCH FURTHER'

TO MARK INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS DAY 2012

Filmed in Athens between October 2011 and February 2012, in the midst of social, political and economic turmoil, the documentary raises the voices of those who have fled Afghanistan, Somalia or Sudan hoping to find refuge in Europe.

After months or even years on the road, they arrive in Greece, a country whose population is facing the full brunt of the economic crisis and where the asylum and reception systems are completely dysfunctional. Most people see no option but to take to the road again in the hope of reaching a country that can receive them and consider their claim for asylum. But, once they have entered Greece, it is extremely difficult if not impossible to leave the country given the European policies that legally bind them to Greece.

This documentary is the result of a partnership between the European Council on Refugees and Exiles (ECRE), the Greek Forum on Refugees and the film maker Matthias Wiessler, and is supported by the European Programme for Integration and Migration (EPIM).

The issues raised in this documentary will be of interest to everybody concerned about the treatment of asylum seekers in Europe generally, but also specifically here in the north, given fears around the potential for an increase in racism during the current economic crisis.

The documentary screening will be followed by a discussion – refreshments will be provided.



Monday 10 December 2012 at 7.30pm

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