

ASSOCIAZIONE NAZIONALE ANTIRAZZISTA INTERETNICA – NAPOLI

MAY 4TH, PEOPLE FIRST: WELCOME AND HOSPITALITY FOR ALL REFUGES AND IMMIGRANTS

How is it possible that a human being is not free to move around the world, that he/she is considered illegal? How is it that those who flee from wars, hunger, miseries, conflicts of any sort are not accepted as they deserve? The fault lies with the states and their governments, of any political color. It is the effect of the closed number at the borders. States and governments are those primarily responsible for deaths at sea. It would be much simpler for people to have a visa, take a legal means of transport and reach the desired place, rather than risk their life at sea. But this is impossible for humans these days. Therefore, affirming the value of human life requires commitment and clarity. This is why we believe that welcome and hospitality must be human, worthy and for each and everyone. Rescuing at sea those who are in danger is the same as helping people in need on the land. And this must be a right for all and everyone, otherwise it becomes a privilege for the few.

At the same time, we need to fight against so many evils: from those who speculate on tragedies, to those who become rich on welcome and hospitality, up to racism, from the most superficial and widespread racism to its criminal expressions. All this is even more exalted by a government that waves its own flag of hatred and racism. Just think of Salvini's security decree, which puts asylum seekers on the street, which exacerbates attacks on everyone's freedom. Unfortunately, before him and this government there were those who opened the way for them, including left-wing governments that made agreements with the torturers in Libya or criminalized NGOs.

It is important not to forget; however, without putting everyone on the same level, knowing that the current one is the worst government that this country can remember, it is our priority to fight against racism and xenophobia wherever they come from. We trust the many people who react to this context.

Convinced of the importance of promoting and consolidating a unitarian engagement, as we did last November 10th with so many realities of anti-racism, and as we are continuing to do with the construction of the *Indivisibles and in Solidarity* National Forum, we will work with you for a free world and a better life for all.

Welcome and hospitality for all Regularization and residence permit for all

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