

ΕΓΓΡΑΦΟ ΠΟΛΙΤΙΚΗΣ

Τίτλος εγγράφου: Racism – Xenophobia - Neofascism

Οργάνωση/σεις: EDON

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Περίληψη – εισαγωγή: (120 – 150 λέξεις):

Poverty, exploitation, inequality, and wars caused by imperialist interests are forcing millions of people to emigrate. Especially in recent years, the problem has worsened. In Europe, the issue is mainly the crisis in the reception and integration of refugees and migrants. Despite declarations to the contrary on the rights of these people, EU policies aim to limit them outside the borders of the Member States. Those who do not enter the Member States are faced with ghetto conditions. By themselves, these policies promote racism and xenophobia, while the failure of the equal integration of immigrants creates the conditions for them to be the target of racist attacks.

After the racist pogroms in Chloraka and Limassol, Cypriot society is at a critical crossroads. The unprecedentedly violent attacks on people and property are a blow to democracy.

Our country experienced the violence of the extreme right which brought the de facto division of the island, and this is another reason to face this dangerous situation.

We reject and fight against the ideology of racism and oppose with all our forces any political positions, political forces and practices that dictate or support racism, xenophobia and nationalism. We utilise the useful experience of the Greek reality and the court decision to condemn the criminal organisation "Golden Dawn" and we fight against the consolidation of its branch in Cyprus.

We fight for equality and equal treatment of all, regardless of gender, race, colour, language, religion and sexual orientation.

Θέσεις πολιτικής: (σε μορφή bullet-point)

- Implementation of an integrated immigration policy with:
 - Fast, fair and efficient screening and examination of asylum applications.
 - Humane and Decent structures.
 - Adequate staffing of structures and competent services.

- Establishment of a bi-communal Technical Committee on migration and involvement of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.
- Promotion of bilateral repatriation agreements through the contribution of the European Union
- Implementation of a comprehensive program for informing immigrants and refugees about the full range of their rights and obligations, from the moment of their entry into the Republic of Cyprus.
- Implement all the necessary measures for effective international protection, decent living and equal integration of refugees and asylum seekers in society.
- Adopt practical measures to enable and / or improve access to government services.
- Transparent, fair and efficient immigration policy. This requires the replacement of the anachronistic colonial legislation with a modern democratic framework based on rights and equal membership and incorporating the "International Convention for the Protection of the Rights of All Immigrant Workers and Members of Their Families".
- Review of the Employment Strategy of Foreign Workforce on the basis of the Principle of Equal Treatment in Employment, with the main objective of combating the labor exploitation of immigrants.
- We call for decisive changes in the institutional framework to combat trafficking in persons for sexual and / or labor exploitation, in order to achieve effective repression, the prevention of this serious crime and the protection of victims.
- Strengthen anti-racism education programs in schools and in society at large.
- Promoting the integration of immigrants in Cypriot society and creating adequate infrastructure for the integration of immigrants and refugees.
- Effectively implement the "Law on the fight against certain forms and manifestations of racism and xenophobia through criminal law".
- Strengthen the Authority Against Racism and Discrimination for the decisive control of the implementation of the legislation and intervention in cases of its violation.
- We request the immediate investigation of the State and the Attorney General of the Republic of Cyprus, for the activities of the criminal Nazi organisation "Golden Dawn" in Cyprus, its relationship with parties-

organisations operating in our country and the possibility of committing criminal offences by part of them in Cyprus as well.