No Deportation Prisons - Communities of Solidarity instead!

Demonstration on Saturday, January 20th, 3pm Darmstadt Luisenplatz

Migration is not a crime. With a state-wide demonstration, we want to protest the ways in which the Hessian state government imprisons asylum-seekers, separates them into good and bad, rates their "usefulness", and criminalizes their desire for a better life.

At the end of 2017, the Hessian state government decided to set up the central deportation prison of Hessen on the site of the JVA Darmstadt. The plan is to detain up to 50 people here who have not committed any crime, in order to deport them to countries such as Afghanistan or Pakistan.

The state government tries to play down its attack on basic human rights, suggesting that those in deportation custody would simply lead "normal lives minus freedom", and claiming that it would be the only way to safeguard the admission of refugees.

This argument is based on a cynical logic. It reveals that the political far right is dictating the political program of parties and governments. The tightening of asylum and migration policies and the establishment of a deportation prison are further concessions to the political right and their agitation against refugees.

End this now! We will not allow them to turn us against one another. Refugees who organize themselves, volunteers who practice solidarity every day and engage in the numerous solidarity initiatives, those who advocate in parliament for a humane migration policy, as well as all others who fight in non-governmental contexts for global freedom of movement and for a dignified life for all: let us protest together on the 20th of January 2018 under the motto "No Deportation Prisons - Communities of Solidarity instead!"

Come along, bring many others and please spread the call!

No Deportation Prisons – Community for all

20th of january, 3pm at Luisenplatz Darmstadt