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ASKV, UNHCR, ISI: PETITION TO END STATELESSNESS

Everyone has the right to a nationality! This is recognised by all countries across the globe. ASKV Steunpunt Vluchtelingen, Institute on Statelessness and Inclusion (ISI) and UNHCR Nederland want an end to statelessness in the Netherlands and demand that everyone gets a nationality. **We cannot do this alone—a political solution is necessary.** That's why we have started a petition. We are calling on the government to make an end to statelessness in the Netherlands.

Do you also believe that everyone in Nederland is entitled to a nationality? <u>Then sign the petition</u> and give stateless people the chance of a new life!

BASIC RIGHTS

Council of State: correct to demand repayment of Single Parent Supplement due to marriage In 2016, this man received Single Parent Supplement (Alleenstaande Ouderkop, ALO-kop) to support the costs of his daughter. He married in 2013, and his wife and child live in Morocco. In a definitive decision, the Tax and Customs Administration (Belastingdienst) demanded repayment of the ALO-kop, as the man's wife counts as a partner for benefit purposes and so he is not a single parent. The Council of State agrees. See here.

ADMISSION POLICY

Court: passport requirement for Chavez request to determine identity and nationality

This case regards the question of whether a non-Dutch parent of a Dutch child must have a passport to be considered for a residence permit as the parent of a Dutch child. The court decided that a passport is necessary to determine identity and nationality. See here.

ACTIVITIES

Work day, Council of Churches: Geloven voorbij Grenzen, 23 Nov, Amersfoort

This work day is for everyone in churches and faith communities who works with refugees and asylum seekers. In addition, the project group will present its new publication, entitled 'Geloven voorbij grenzen. Over de kerkelijke betrokkenheid bij vluchtelingen en asielzoekers' ('Belief over borders. On churches' engagement with refugees and asylum seekers').

Location: Bergkerk, Dr. A. Kuyperlaan 2 Amersfoort. For the programme: click here

End symposium Empowerment after Shocking Events, 28nov 16-20.30, Diemen

Symposium to conclude the 7ROSES project: a low-threshold empowerment method after shocking events. We will look back on the project during the symposium. In a workshop round you can get acquainted with the methodology in a practical way.

For professionals who work with vulnerable target groups such as: nurse, social care worker, social worker, therapist, See here.

Award for Mensenrechtenmens, 10 Dec, 2-5pm, Geertekerk, Utrecht

During the prize-giving ceremony, we will discuss the most effective ways to prevent and combat violence against women in the Netherlands. You can <u>sign up to attend</u> until 3 December.

National Rapporteur on Trafficking: Human Trafficking Victims Monitor 2014-2018

The Victims Monitor analyses the most important developments regarding human trafficking in terms of policy, research and legislation. It gives insight into the number of victims that CoMensha and the IND

come across, in which sectors they are exploited and what type of human trafficking is involved. Furthermore the report contains an overview of the victims who use the residence regulation. https://www.nationaalrapporteur.nl/Publicaties/slachtoffermonitor-mensenhandel-2014-2018.aspx, 18.10.19

Stichting Gave, Mother and Child weekend, 13-15 Dec

A weekend for single mothers who are asylum seekers and their young children (up to the age of 8). We offer a varied programme of relaxing activities. There are speakers and creative workshops, as well as a beauty and pampering afternoon with beauty therapists and masseuses to give the women a facial or massage. There is a separate fun programme for the children, including a theatre performance. The weekend has a Christian identity, but half of the women taking part will be Muslim or non-Christian. Our experience is that these women also feel welcome and accepted in the weekend. The cost is 15 euros per family. Click here for more information.

Since 2003, the LOS Foundation (the Dutch acronym for 'Landelijk Ongedocumenteerden Steunpunt') has been the knowledge centre for people and organizations providing assistance to undocumented migrants. LOS Foundation devotes itself to the basic rights of these migrants and their children.