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## HERE TO SUPPORT: EUROPE WE NEED TO TALK!; 10 MAY 15:30HR – 11 MAY 17HR

In the next months - up to the European Elections - we want to talk with you about Europe.

In the whole of Europe, we see the far right is rising up, and with that the narrative and policies around migration/ refugees/ migrants are getting worse and worse.

With @cityrightsradio [@amsterdamcityrights](#) , HtS Academy, [@degoedezaaknl](#) [@europeanculturalfoundation](#) and more partners (to be announced), we will launch campaigns, podcasts and more!

<https://www.facebook.com/heretosupport/>

## ADMISSION POLICY

### Court of Appeal: Chavez status is possible in the case of care for Dutch stepchildren as well

This ruling has shown that a partner who acts as carer although he is not the legal father of the children can obtain right of residence as custodial parent. In this case the legal father was still in the Netherlands but he was no longer in contact with his child. The caring partner has taken emotional as well as financial care of the Dutch child. The Court concludes that in this case there is a relationship of dependency as indicated in the ruling Chavez-Vilchez. You will find more information [here](#).

### Criteria for readmission Surinamese people who formerly had Dutch nationality

Elderly Surinamese people who were born with the Dutch nationality and who reside in the Netherlands without a residence permit have submitted a request for 'readmission'. If you know people who meet these criteria, you can report this [here](#).

In reply to parliamentary questions concerning this procedure the Secretary of State explained what the formal criteria for readmission are. Concerning this especially the ties with the Netherlands are of importance. According to the Secretary of State illegal stay in the Netherlands in itself does not count. You will find more information [here](#).

## CHECK AND DETENTION

### Court of Appeal: insufficient basis for check Brazilian Uber drivers

According to the Aliens Police there are many Brazilians without a residence permit who work as Uber drivers. Therefore, the police had started to check this group. Uber drivers without a residence permit have been placed in detention of aliens.

The Court are of the opinion that arresting cyclists with an Uber bag, on the basis that they may not have a residence permit, is arbitrariness. This is only allowed if there is sufficient evidence of illegal work. The drivers in detention must be released. You will find more information [here](#).

## ACTIVITIES

### OHCHR: Fellowship Programme for People of African Descent

The Fellowship programme is an intensive human rights training for people of African descent who are engaged in promoting the rights of people of African descent. Participants will deepen their understanding of international human rights law, the UN human rights system, and combating racism. Participants will also develop skills in project proposals and engage with human rights mechanisms. It will take place from 11 to 29 November 2024 in Geneva, Switzerland. **Deadline for application: 31 May 2024.** <https://www.ohchr.org/en/about-us/fellowship-programmes/fellowship-programme-people-african-descent>

### New Women Connectors Ambassador Program, commencing in Spring 2024

Our program is dedicated to empowering migrant and refugee community leaders and emerging

advocates, enabling them to become influential in the realms of policy-making and decision-making. We aim to dismantle barriers to policy-making and integrate new and critical conversations, particularly around issues like climate change. Our focus is on equipping these leaders with the necessary knowledge and connections to make a meaningful difference. Through our efforts, we strive to create opportunities for these advocates to bring about significant changes in policies and practices that affect their communities. Our program is not just about offering support; it's about fostering leadership and amplifying voices that are often overlooked in critical decision-making processes. **Register before 10May!**  
<https://www.newwomenconnectors.com/ambassador-program>

Quaker Council for European Affairs: ChooseRespect Website

The website seeks to equip Europe's voters with the necessary tools to form informed opinions on migration policy and to combat anti-migrant hate speech wherever it may arise. By fostering understanding and countering divisive narratives, it aims to encourage Europe to #ChooseRespect in 2024.

On the #ChooseRespect website, users can find:

- Debunking of common myths associated with migrants and refugees
- Guidance on reporting instances of hate speech
- Tips for promoting positive narratives surrounding migration
- Additional reading materials and sources for further information

<https://www.chooserespect.eu/>