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## Public Seminar

### **“Detention and Deportation at Europe’s Borders: The Case of the Republic of Cyprus”**

Within the framework of the implementation of the EU-funded project:  
**“The Europeanization of National Asylum and Alien Laws in Cyprus, Italy and Spain:  
Detention and Detention Centres for Foreigners vs. the Return Directive”**

**Date: Thursday, 26 September 2013**

**Time: 15.40 – 19.00**

**Venue: Peace Venue of Nicosia Municipality (end of Ledra Street)**

## Agenda

15.40 – 15.55 Coffee and registration

15.55 – 16.00 Welcome by Harald Glode, Representative of Borderline Europe and project coordinator

**Moderator:** Aristoteles Constantinides, Assistant Professor of International Law and Human Rights Law, Law Faculty, University of Cyprus

### **1<sup>st</sup> Panel Discussion: “Why Does Europe Need Detention Centres?”**

16.00 – 16.15 Laure Blondel, representative of Migreurop – *“Detention centres within the framework of the European public safety and border controls policies”*

16.15 – 16.30 Peio Aierbe, representative of Mugak – *“Open Access Now Campaign: A civil society response”*

16.30 – 17.00 Discussion

17.00 – 17.15 **Coffee break**

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Panel Discussion: “Detention Centres in Cyprus”**

17.15 – 17.35 Doros Polykarpou, Executive Director of KISA – *“Presentation of the research findings on detention conditions, based on the visits and interviews to the detention centres in Cyprus”*

17.35 – 17.50 Sergeant Xenios Mamas, representative of the Human Rights Office of the Cyprus Police Headquarters – *“Detention and detention centres in Cyprus within the legal framework of the Return Directive”*

17.50 – 18.05 *Ali Asgari: The testimony of a former detainee*

18.05 – 18.20 Zinaida Onoufriou, representative of the Independent Authority on the Prevention of Torture of the Office of the Commissioner of Administration and Human Rights Protection (Ombudsman) – *“The detention conditions of undocumented migrants: Observations and recommendations”*

18.20 – 19.00 Discussion