



RACE AND ETHNICITY IN MIGRATION

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ACTION POINTS

- Address racism, naming it and recognizing it as a global systemic phenomenon and key toxic discourse, structurally embedded and institutionally present.
- Face systemic structural root causes of racism, discrimination, criminalization and exclusion, that derive from the historical legacy of slavery and colonization.
- Embrace systemic commitment to dislodge historical legacies, accompanied by necessary economic and social measures which might create conditions for racialized communities to be included in the discussions.
- Research, educate and realize that racism is systemic, embedded in society's structures.
- Reframe history and have a real perspective of the realities that have been faced by people over the years.
- Advocate for political commitment to racial justice, institutional change, cohesive legislation and policy on structural racism, inclusive protection and social policies.

- Acknowledge and understand how structural racism operates and is at the basis of immigration law.
- Explore the intersectionality between race, ethnicity and migration learning to name institutionally racialized policies that privilege citizens over residents.
- Address racism within our social movements themselves, resolve internal racism in the organisations that are working in those movements.
- Fight misinformation and the fear that it creates against foreigners.
- Change procedures, recognizing language as a barrier to migrants and indigenous communities. Use multiple language translations common for migrant communities. Be mindful of vocabulary choices.
- Create conditions to make migration a choice and not a survival strategy.
- Have a rights-based starting point (ex. International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (ICERD)).