

## **INTEGRATION THROUGH YOUR LENS Photo contest**



### **Award winner: Bushrah Alkhalaf with her family**

Bushrah Alkhalaf, with her family, after winning her race at Cork City Sports. Bushrah and her family were resettled from Syria in January 2019. Bushrah started school in Ireland soon after and through school got involved in athletics. In May she competed in Cork City Sports. The HSE Cork Kerry Refugee Resettlement team have worked closely with Bushrah and her family, supporting them to adjust to their new neighbourhood and to get involved in local community activities.

Author: Leah Bentham  
Cork Kerry Refugee Resettlement

**The other selected pictures exhibited during the GoLocal conference were:**

### **Al Badri's wife Abed and his daughters**



Al Badri's wife Abed and his daughters Hayat and Huda enjoy the autumn sunshine on the doorstep of their home provided by the Accommodation program. After unrelenting hardships, dangers, uncertainty, they can - at last - smile calm, almost happy, in the safety of their home in the centre of Karditsa. The youngest Huda, always in a good mood, does not differ from the other kids in her school, as her Greek is now fluent.

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### **Integration of migrants and refugees in mountainous rural areas in Galicia**



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### **Favino gives a voice to the foreigners whom nobody hears**



The photographs are inspired by Bernard-Marie Koltès's monologue "The Night Just Before the Forests". It's dark, and Koltès meets a homeless man and stops to talk to him. The man is desperate, thinking his life has reached the point of no return. He tells Koltès how difficult it is to be a foreigner, with the resulting problems of identity, morality, isolation and a hard life. By reciting this monologue, Favino gives a voice to the foreigners whom nobody hears.

Susanna Henneh



### **Lingua Migrante project**

In the last decade, Calabria (Italia) has welcomed many foreign citizens. Among these many women who have joined their husbands already settled in the area. In the Plain of Sybaris, the largest plain in the region, women without family support network to take care of their children, remain excluded from the access services and social life. Lingua Migrante project, through an on the road literacy campaign on camper-van, aims to combat social marginalization and promote the inclusion of new citizens.

Name of the author:

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### **Firas playing with a Czech child**

“29 September, 2019

Firas, 20, a young man with special needs, playing with a Czech child at a cookout held by Cathedral of Assumption of Our Lady and St. John the Baptist. Firas came to the Czech Republic three years ago from Iraq, fleeing the violence caused by ISIS, escaping before the bombing of his home. The Cathedral sponsored Firas' education and on afternoons such as this, Firas has been gifted a sense of community in his new home."

Photos by/Owner: Mina Meshreky

Author of Caption: Jacob Condran



### **Zeru zeru**

Author: Marco Ricorda

Title: Zeru zeru

Caption

Being albino in Nigeria doesn't just mean having a different skin pigmentation. It means risking discrimination, mutilation or death. Victims of myths according to which their limbs bring "good luck." They're called "zeru zeru", "invisible".

My community wonder why they come to our economy-torn town to steal our jobs. I published his story in our local newspaper to get them to wonder what pushes them to embark on a journey for their life across the Mediterranean after detention in Libya.



### **Cricket by the tents**

Around 25 sixteen-years-old children waited several days in their tents until they received a ball and some cricket bat. They have left their country months ago and, since then, they don't go to school. We do not know where they are now.

Author: Sabela González



### **Children playing on the playground**

The photographs show four children playing on the playground, just outside the hospital in Košice.

The girls are from Libya and the boys are Slovakian.

The author of the photograph captured the moment of a friendship - with no prejudice or stereotype.

Kids are amazing when it comes to making friends and having fun - no matter the religion or nationality.

I work as a psychologist with families with disabled children and individuals living in Košice. Some of my clients come from a refugee background.

This family has been granted subsidiary protection in Slovakia and has been living and integrating in Košice for a while.

The day the picture was taken, I was asked by my client - mother of 3 from Libya - to look after her two older daughters while she attends doctor appointment with her very ill son.

It was a summer holiday and I was home with my two sons. I do that very rare, but because it was the last minute, I had no choice but take them with me.

The kids were amazing - playing, chatting, having fun despite their different culture, look. This makes me very hopeful for our next generation.

author : Jana Papcunova

organisation : Centre Mokosha NGO Košice



### **You Make Me Smile**

Photographer: BEUAR MUSA EYSA  
PHOTOGRAPHER SOFIA, BULGARIA

Title : You Make Me Smile

Address : Zoo park ,Sofia ,Bulgaria

Photo details : taken by Canon 760D eos , lens ef-s 55-250mm 1:4-5.6 STM

Sent by Caritas Bulgaria

Amena Bibi she is 14 years, from Afghanistan

She arrives in Bulgaria together with her family from Afghanistan in 2016. She has a little brother at 5 years old and two sisters at 9 and 11 years old.

During the time that remains in Bulgaria Amena takes care of her young brother, Matin, who suffers from autism. She and her sisters attend a Bulgarian school, but because of her brother's illness she cannot continue her education. Her dream is to be a doctor, that can help all autistic patient.

### **Film director Omar Al Samarrai and Hungarian film legend Béla Tarr**



Molenbeek (BE) - Film director Omar Al Samarrai and Hungarian film legend Béla Tarr pose together at the Cinemaximiliaan Project House on the occasion of the premiere of *Letter from Brussels*, a collaborative film as part of the Kunstenfestivaldesarts:

"Cinemaximiliaan brings films and debates to asylum centres, private homes and cinemas, bridging newcomers with locals in a personal way. The starting point of this film project is each participants' desire to share his or her story through a short film."

Author: Timothy Lawrence

### **Discussion in front of a satellite image**



Discussion in front of a satellite image. Klaus says, "That's a hut". Moni replies, "It's just a tree". But Zunera has long since worked it out!

Photo taken at mapathons organized within the framework of our project, MAnheimer MAPAthons ("MAMAPA").

### **Fundamental rights – Showing face for democracy, tolerance and respect!**



"Fundamental rights – Showing face for democracy, tolerance and respect!"

Citizens from 13 different countries of origin living in the rural district of Mainz-Bingen "show face" to raise awareness of the German constitution and the fundamental rights it contains. The photos are part of the photo calendar entitled "Show face for democracy, tolerance and respect – today, tomorrow, every

day". It is the result of the 2018 project of the same name organised by the Mainz Bingen district administration. The project participants discussed fundamental rights in small groups, developed the photo calendar design and also modelled for the photos.

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