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"Outsourcing of borders. Detention practices and denial of asylum".

International Conference, Lagos, 25-26 February 2020: how this initiative was born and why it represents an important opportunity to compare and deepen the policies of outsourcing.

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Giulia Crescini: Good evening everyone, this is the audio n.1 of a series of many podcasts that will accompany us in these days. We are in fact here in Lagos together with Asgi, Spazi Circolari, Dedalus and many other organizations, individuals, people who came here for this great event, an international conference on the externalization of borders, detention practices and denial of the right of asylum. We are here with Cristina Laura Cecchini from the Sciabaca and Oruka project.

Cristina Laura Cecchini: The aim of the conference is to bring together people coming from all countries of origin and transit, together with the other side of the Mediterranean and therefore the European Union but reversing the approach and starting in this case from Nigeria as country of origin. This in order to understand what consequences outsourcing is bringing to Africa and what kind of aspects need to be explored in depth to assess whether and how people's fundamental rights are being compressed.

Giulia Crescini: This conference is part of the Sciabaca and Oruka projects, now open from 2017/2018 through which we are trying to identify the practices of outsourcing the right of asylum and border control and we are doing it in a new perspective in which we try to establish network relations and collaborate with African organizations. In particular, we are focusing on those practices that are aimed at delegating illegitimate actions to other countries and other international organizations that lead to the compression and limitation of the right of movement related to the right of asylum of African citizens. Therefore, the conference intends to be a moment in which we all meet to discuss and present strategic litigation actions before domestic and international courts against these practices.

Cristina Laura Cecchini: The conference will be attended by journalists, jurists, researchers with the aim of assessing the issue that Giulia Crescini explained and it will be followed by a moment of investigation and inspection on the site that will be made by the ASGI association and some members of Spazi Circolari.

Giulia Crescini: In particular we will go to Benin city and Lagos. That's all for today; we try to keep you up to date on all the legal content and what will happen in the next few days in Lagos and Benin city.