



MEDITERRANEAN CITIZENS' ASSEMBLY FOUNDATION

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DECLARATION OF THE ADVISORY COUNCIL OF THE MCA FOUNDATION

The evolvement of the MCA into a foundation represents a new stage in the construction of a citizen network of dialogue, proposal and action in the Mediterranean, providing it with a new dynamic whilst the principles of its Charter are respected.

The Advisory Council notes a deterioration in all aspects of the situation in the Mediterranean and the ineffectiveness of regional and international actors' policies to resolve conflicts and crises in the Mediterranean.

The Council wished to comment on two specific points:

- The Council expresses its utmost concern about the situation of refugees and migrants in the Mediterranean. The current provisions are conflicting the basic rights of people.

We request to the European and international institutions to examine the causes and origins of these human movements while urgently dealing with refugee reception conditions. In addition, the Council regrets that this crisis is exploited to satisfy diverse interests.

- Our food system is ill: food waste, negative impact both on health and climate change.

An agro-ecological transition is necessary. The Advisory Council calls for being vigilant about ongoing international negotiations that could compromise the principles of such agro-ecological transition. In this framework, it wishes to bring its contribution to the MEDCOP, to be shortly held in Tangier.

The MCA Foundation will strengthen its advocacy capacities and call for the citizens' mobilization and resistance in the Mediterranean.

We call for the citizens' mobilization and contribution of to find solutions to problems in the Mediterranean based on international law.



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