

# CONFERENCE "AND YET IT MOVES"<sup>1</sup>

## A MULTIDISCIPLINARY DEBATE ON THE MOVEMENT OF PERSONS IN AND FROM WEST AFRICA, CENTRAL AFRICA AND MAGHREB

**21ST FEBRUARY, LA CASA ENCENDIDA, MADRID**

Organised by Oxfam Intermón and the Group of African Studies of the UAM

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The event will promote a dialogue around the movement of persons in and from West Africa, Central Africa and Maghreb, liaising the academy, activism, research journalism and organized civil society aiming at:

- A better **knowledge on migratory movements** within these regions: what they are like, how they have evolved and what factors they are influenced by
- **To analyse** the impact of the **European Union migratory policies** on these movements
- **To propose** alternatives for a **different migration political management** based on people's rights and its condition of global reality and public good

Thus, the event is organised around three sessions, including presentations from the guest speakers but also encouraging the exchange of ideas and thoughts with the audience.

**11.30 to 12.00: Reception, register and welcome**, Oxfam Intermón

**12.00 to 14.00: Table I.** Movements of persons in and from West Africa, Central Africa and Maghreb

- Papa Demba Fall, Senior Researcher Cheikh Anta Diop de Dakar University (UCAD)
- Nbuyi Kabunda, Lecturer specialized in regional integration problems, development and conflicts in Africa, Group of African Studies (GEA), UAM
- Pierre Kamdem, Lecturer on Geography at Poitiers University and member of Migrinter
- Moderator: Itziar Ruiz-Gimenez, Group of African Studies (GEA), UAM

**14.00 to 15.00: Lunch** (Casa Encendida patio)

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<sup>1</sup> It refers to Galileo's statement "Eppur si muove"

**15.00 to 17.00: Table II.** Migratory policies UE- Africa and its impact in the migratory movements in and from the region

- Raphael Shilhav, EU Migration Policy Advisor, Oxfam International EU Advocacy.
- Lorenzo Gabrielli, Researcher GRITIM Universitat Pompeu Fabra.
- Sara Prestianni, Specialist in international migration policies, MigrEurop.
- Moderator: Minerva Oso, journalist at RNE.

**17.00 to 17.30:** Break

**17.30 to 19.30: Table III.** Alternatives for a different management of migrations

- Mehdi Alioua, lecturer and researcher of the faculty Sciences Po Rabat in the International University of Rabat and member of GADEM
  - Agatha Kolawole, Programme Officer for the FMM West Africa Project, International Labour Organisation (ILO)
  - Gonzalo Fanjul, Manager of policy analysis, PorCausa
  - Moderator: Lola Huete Machado, journalist El País
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