

## PRESS CONFERENCE

European-Global Civil Society Organization held a conference on January 21, 2023 in Barcelona together with the Afghans and Catalans cultural association and Generation Outside Afghanistan. The two basic agendas during the discussions were the rights of women to education, to seek employment and to their political and social inclusion in Afghanistan. The other topics discussed were on the issues that asylum seekers and refugees face in Spain.

The total lack of women's rights and their exclusion from attending school in Afghanistan was discussed in detail. We gathered together in solidarity for the trapped women without the possibility of their voices being heard.

The discussions also continued on matters about the difficulties asylum seekers and refugees face in their daily lives in accessing studies, social inclusion, employment and problems due to delays in obtaining and renewing their legal documents. Many participants asked about obtaining legal documents, attending studies and the steps needed to proceed in the proper order. Each speaker in turn explained the solutions available and the steps to take in order to integrate with the local communities.

It was decided to prepare a petition to send to appropriate authorities and organizations expressing our grief for the people trapped in Afghanistan. The international communities and great forces must take serious measures to remove the Taliban from power. Terrorists cannot ever be a government. Afghans desire a contemporary standard of living and do not accept Taliban ideology in danger of spreading throughout the world.

Regarding the new and old arrivals in Spain, we will continue to collaborate with professionals in finding solutions to problems and for the Afghan diaspora in becoming useful in the societies of the country they live.

The three organizations will continue to support the human rights of asylum seekers and refugees and will create solutions to problems that arise.

We thank the speakers and hope to continue to gather regularly in order to create a dynamic bridge offering people value in their lives.