**Public Seminar**

**“*Detention and Deportation at Europe’s Borders:***

***The Case of the Republic of Cyprus*”**

**Within the framework of the implementation of the EU-funded project:**

**“*The Europeanization of National Asylum and Alien Laws in Cyprus, Italy and Spain:***

***Detention and Detention Centres for Foreigners vs. the Return Directive*”**

**Date: Thursday, 26 September 2013**

**Time: 15.45 – 19.00**

**Venue: Will be announced soon**

***Draft Agenda***

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| 15.40 – 15.55 | Coffee and registration  |
| 15.55 – 16.00 | Welcome by Representative of Borderline Europe (project coordinator). |

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| **1st Panel Discussion: Why Does Europe Need Detention Centres?** |
| 16.00 – 16.15 | Migreurop: Detention centres within the framework of the European public safety and border controls policies |
| 16.15 – 16.30 | Open Access Now Campaign: A civil society response |
| 16.30 – 17.00 | Discussion with the public |

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| 17.00 – 17.15 | **Coffee break** |

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| **2nd Panel Discussion: Detention Centres in Cyprus** |
| 17.15 – 17.35 | Doros Polykarpou, Executive Director of KISA: Presentation of the findings of the visits to the detention facilities in Cyprus |
| 17.35 – 17.50 | Representative of the Cyprus Police: Detention & detention centres in Cyprus within the legal framework of the Return Directive |
| 17.50 – 18.05 | Testimony of a detainee: The case of Ali Asgari |
| 18.05 – 18.20 | Office of the Ombudsman: The views of the National Human Rights Institution |
| 18.20 – 19.00 | Discussion  |