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Afghanistan, where the world failed humanity

A conference co-organized by the Greens/EFA and The Left

PRESENTATION

Since the Taliban takeover in 2021, Afghan people are living through an absolute nightmare. Women and girls are facing particularly difficult conditions under Taliban rule. They suffer most from the lack of basic health care and the current famine and are particularly dependent on humanitarian aid. The Taliban de facto authorities have publicly pledged to respect women's rights after taking power, but as it now turns out, those were nothing but empty words, especially in light of the bans on education and working in the humanitarian aid sector.

Against this backdrop, the Greens/EFA together with The Left organise the conference "**Afghanistan, where the world failed humanity**".

When? **13 April 15.00-18.30**

Where? **ASP1-G2, Spinelli building, European Parliament, Brussels**

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Policymakers, Afghans, and civil society actors will focus on the humanitarian situation in Afghanistan, in particular for women and girls. The discussion will cover the routes to flee, evacuation practices (perspectives from different member states and EU as a whole), situations of Afghans on route as well as the situation once arrived in Europe or elsewhere.

15:30-16:40

Panel 1: Humanitarian and Human Rights Situation in Afghanistan

Moderation: **Tineke Strik** (Greens/EFA)

Speakers:

- **Richard Bennett**, UN Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Afghanistan
- **Shogofa Mohammady**, Danish Refugee Council, Human Rights Manager (remote from Afghanistan)
- **Valentina Auricchio**, Head of Unit responsible for Asia, Latin America, Caribbean and Pacific, DG ECHO

Followed by Q&A

16:40-17:00

Break

17:00-18:10

Panel 2: Afghan asylum seekers on route, in transit and reception countries

Moderation: **Emran Feroz**

- **Parwana Amiri**, Author and activist
- **Roberta Dirosa**, Coordinator of the Afghanistan Safe Passage Taskforce, EEAS
- **Reshad Jalali**, Senior Policy Officer, European Council for Exiles and Refugees (ECRE)

Followed by Q&A

18:10

Closing by MEP **Cornelia Ernst**, The Left & MEP **Erik Marquardt**, Greens/EFA

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