Preface from the Chair

PICUM's core work concerns the engagements which take place between civil society and the predicament of undocumented migrants.

Contrary to the views often expressed by government ministers and their supporters, vulnerable migrants are not regarded with universal hostility, across all parts of the societies in which they live.

Many thousands of citizens are brought into regular contact with the precarious lives of those marginalised by immigration policies as trades unionists, community workers, members of religious communities, and as housing, education and health activists. When this happens the tendency is towards recognition of the injustices which often arise from inflexible policy and rules, and a political agenda driven by illiberal, populist sentiment.

During the past year PICUM has continued its work in building up civil society's capacity to work with undocumented migrants and to reflect on its experiences. The issue of access to health services has been to the forefront of our activities during this period, and this is shown in the reports on the health conference and the publications which arose from that.

2007 was also the year in which PICUM played its role in welcoming migration rights activists from across the world to Brussels for the first Global Community Forum on Migration and Development, as a parallel event to the inter-governmental Global Forum event. Through this work our activity has benefited from the establishment of much closer contacts with organisations in Asia, Africa and the Americas, and our understanding of the processes which drive irregular migration has greatly increased as a consequence.

PICUM continues to exist as a network driven by the views and experiences of its supporting organisations. The salience of its work to mainstream concerns about equality and social justice will grow in the months ahead as the plans of many governments continue to develop harsh, exclusionary responses aimed at marginalising the most vulnerable of migrants. We will continue to welcome contact with all organisations and networks concerned with this situation, and keen to work with us in the task of securing greater protection for and solidarity with the undocumented.

Mr. Don Flynn
London, UK, April 2008
PICUM, the Platform for International Cooperation on Undocumented Migrants, is a non-governmental organization (NGO) that aims to promote respect for the human rights of undocumented migrants within Europe. PICUM also seeks dialogue with organizations and networks with similar concerns in other parts of the world.

PICUM promotes respect for the basic social rights of undocumented migrants, such as the right to health care, the right to shelter, the right to education and training, the right to a minimum subsistence, the right to family life, the right to moral and physical integrity, the right to legal aid, and the right to fair labor conditions.

Based in Brussels, Belgium, PICUM has over 100 affiliated members and 107 ordinary members in 25 countries primarily in Europe as well as in other regions of the world.

PICUM’s monthly newsletter on issues concerning the human rights of undocumented migrants is produced in seven languages and circulates to PICUM’s network of more than 2,500 civil society organizations and individuals and beyond.
Message from the Director

This past year provided PICUM with numerous opportunities to promote and disseminate its core message of promoting undocumented migrants’ human rights. Amidst a context in Europe and in other parts of the world in which undocumented migrants and their families are often socially excluded and seen as “illegal” and not having any rights, I would like to highlight a couple of PICUM’s accomplishments in defending these rights in 2007:

- In the area of **access to health care for undocumented migrants**, PICUM completed a two-year EU project in 2007. This project allowed us to deepen our work on this human right with a wide array of actors, including NGOs, local authorities, health care professionals, researchers, as well as undocumented migrants themselves. Some of the project achievements include: an international conference in June (and subsequent conference report in English and French) that brought together nearly 200 people to exchange information, good practices and advocacy strategies on improving access to health care for undocumented migrants; a publication (in English and French) which provides an overview of law and practice concerning access to health care in eleven EU member states with numerous examples of good practices; and reporting tools (available in nine languages) which local actors can use to report on undocumented migrants’ access (or lack of) to health care services within the framework of the EU Social Inclusion-Social Protection Process.

- We began an EU project on **preventing discrimination-based violence against undocumented children** in 2007 and carried out field visits to local organizations in nine EU member states, including Poland, Hungary and Malta. This project saw PICUM work closely with organizations defending undocumented children’s rights and enabled us to build on previous cooperation with organizations working with undocumented migrants in new EU member states. We look forward to continued collaboration in both areas.

- The international human rights framework forms the basis of our work, and in the past year we released a publication outlining how undocumented migrants’ rights fit into this framework. The publication, entitled “**Undocumented Migrants Have Rights!**” was released at an international workshop we held in March jointly with Migrants Rights International, and is being used as a tool for advocates of undocumented migrants’ rights on various levels.

As the present year unfolds, I look forward to working closely with our very small but dedicated staff and board of directors to explore additional ways in which PICUM can further disseminate its core message of defending undocumented migrants’ rights. We look forward to ways in which we can further collaborate and develop partnerships with other NGOs, migrants’ organizations, researchers, and institutions, as well as donors, who can play a unique role in supporting PICUM in further developing its work.

Ms. Michele LeVoy
Brussels, Belgium
April 2008
While among the most impoverished and socially excluded populations in Europe, undocumented migrants are systematically denied the core elements which constitute a basic standard of living. Their lack of adequate housing, education, health care and fair working conditions has caused a state of extreme poverty and destitution.

PICUM is a leading expert in Europe on the human rights of undocumented migrants. An important part of PICUM’s task involves monitoring the realities facing undocumented migrants and ensuring that violations of their fundamental human rights, so often hidden and ignored, are extensively reported so the situation can be addressed and improved.

In 2007, PICUM made considerable advances in tracing the realities facing undocumented migrants and increasing understanding of their vulnerable position.

PICUM also conducted independent research and analysis on key issues, releasing several research reports, policy papers and press statements during the year.

Through this ongoing monitoring, PICUM has brought visibility to the issues facing undocumented migrants and highlighted the need to protect their innate human rights.

In 2007, PICUM highlighted its main concerns about the fundamental rights of undocumented migrants in an overview of the newsletters from 2006.

The only information source dealing exclusively with undocumented migrants:

PICUM’s multilingual newsletter

PICUM’s monthly newsletter is one of its most far-reaching and well known resources. Providing information on current issues in over 28 countries and tracing policy developments at regional to international levels, the newsletter also charts the death of migrants at the borders of Europe and the USA.

It is a valuable information source for those working to protect undocumented migrants by offering comprehensive overviews of developments in the EU institutions as well as networking opportunities arising from new projects and partnerships across Europe.

Thanks to a network of dedicated volunteer translators from around the world, this bulletin is available in seven languages (English, French, Dutch, German, Portuguese, Spanish and Italian).

The newsletter now has more than 3,500 recipients including PICUM members, international institutions (Council of Europe, European Economic and Social Council), policy makers (European parliamentarians, European Commission, national policy makers), research institutions, journalists, national and international NGOs and many local organizations.
Located in Brussels, PICUM represents the interests of humanitarian and grassroots organizations. It reports on issues concerning undocumented migrants at the local level and simultaneously monitors policy issues within the European institutions.

At the EU policy level, PICUM examines developments concerning undocumented migrants and informs organizations and individuals throughout its network of changes, progressions and future events. This ensures the PICUM network is well informed of the EU agenda and can engage in the promotion of just and fair strategies for undocumented migrants.

In 2007, PICUM completed its two-year project on ‘Access to Health Care for Undocumented Migrants in Europe’. Co-funded by the European Commission, this project investigated the availability and accessibility of health care in eleven EU member states.

The main objectives of this project included mapping the situation within each country, improving methodology for data collection and promoting the inclusion of undocumented migrants in the European Social Inclusion – Social Protection Process.

Improving the monitoring and reporting of undocumented migrants’ access to health care services in Europe

To address the absence of undocumented migrants from the European Social Inclusion - Social Protection Process, PICUM developed a set of instruments to improve the monitoring and reporting of health care access in Europe.

These tools enable those working at the grassroots level to submit a report to the relevant authority responsible for compiling the National Action Plan (NAP) on Social Inclusion. By submitting reports, these local actors give exposure to the ongoing exclusion and marginalisation facing undocumented migrants.

The reporting tools are available in the following nine languages for free download on PICUM’s website:

- Dutch
- English
- French
- German
- Hungarian
- Italian
- Portuguese
- Spanish
- Swedish
Advocacy

One of PICUM’s main objectives is to mainstream undocumented migrants in European policies on human rights, justice and internal affairs, social inclusion, migration and economic development policies, in order to make the rights of undocumented migrants acknowledged and protected at the European level. As such, PICUM monitors and takes positions on EU initiatives and papers, organizes advocacy events with targeted policy-makers and participates in European lobbying networks sharing its objectives and values.

In 2007, PICUM promoted undocumented migrants’ rights to health care and fair working conditions, poverty eradication and social inclusion and the integration needs on the following levels:

Council of Europe

In March, PICUM made a presentation to the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Population. PICUM participated and reported on the NGO Roundtable in October (see textbox p.7) and in November presented at a meeting of the Human Rights Commissioner.

European Parliament

In June, PICUM and ENAR organized a lunch of the Anti-Racism and Diversity Intergroup at the Parliament. MEP Jean Lambert also took an active role in PICUM’s International Health Care Conference held that month.

EU Presidencies

Portuguese presidency: PICUM worked closely on the issue of migrant health and participated in the Health and Migration conference held 27 September and in the Round Table on Poverty 16–17 October.

Slovenian presidency: PICUM’s working group on fair working conditions sent a letter to the Slovenian Presidency on International Migrants Day, December 18 stressing the importance of a “rights based agenda” when dealing with worker exploitation.

Regional and International Bodies

Regional and international bodies, such as the OSCE (Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe) and ILO (International Labor Organization), frequently invite PICUM and its members to provide input at consultations and hearings (see textboxes p. 11 – 12).

Membership in European networks

In 2007 PICUM shared its expertise on undocumented migrants as a member of the following networks:

Social Platform: a network which promotes social justice and participatory democracy by voicing the concerns of its member organizations;

European Platform for Migrant Workers’ Rights (EPMWR): a platform which advocates for a better promotion and protection of the human rights of all migrant workers and members of their families;
European Anti-Poverty Network (EAPN): a representative network of NGOs and groups involved in the fight against poverty and social exclusion in EU Member States;

NGO Platform: a network of Brussels-based NGOs working in the field of migration and asylum;

Platform for Children’s Rights: an informal grouping of NGOs, UN agencies (represented by UNICEF), and EU institutions with the primary interest of exchanging information on children’s rights initiatives at EU level.

In April 2007, PICUM together with the European Trade Union Confederation (ETUC), Solidar and a number of other European networks signed up to a statement of common principles addressing the European Commission’s fight against ‘illegal’ employment and exploitative working conditions. This joint statement highlighted the key points that the Commission’s proposal for legislation on sanctions for employers of ‘illegally staying third-country nationals’ cannot neglect.

These organizations stress that EU action on migration must be in accordance with the principles of fundamental rights, with core values that ensure effectiveness of action and respect for human dignity, and in line with the employment and social policies of the EU.

In June 2007, several PICUM members met in Brussels to start a working group on fair working conditions within PICUM. The initial task of the working group was to discuss the proposed employer sanctions directive that was adopted by the European Commission in May 2007. In October 2007 PICUM released a position paper on the draft directive and the working group met with other European networks to determine the basis for a common position and advocacy concerning the draft directive.

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**PICUM SPONSORED ADVOCACY EVENTS**

**6 June 2007, Brussels (Belgium)** PICUM and the European Network Against Racism (ENAR) organized a lunch of the Anti-Racism and Diversity Intergroup (ARDI) at the European Parliament.

**1 October 2007, Strasbourg (France)** PICUM Members received the opportunity to deliver presentations at the NGO Round-Table on “Regularization programs for irregular migrants”, organized by CIMADE (Service oecuménique d’entraide) in co-operation with PICUM and the Independent NGOs with Participatory Status with the Council of Europe.
PICUM works to develop the capacities of NGOs and all other actors involved in effectively preventing and addressing discrimination against undocumented migrants.

Many of PICUM projects focus on supporting and multiplying good practices occurring at local and national levels. This sharing of innovative solutions provides invaluable support to NGOs often working in difficult situations and with few resources to provide urgent humanitarian assistance.

PICUM continues to strengthen networking between organizations and individuals dealing with undocumented migrants across Europe and beyond.

**PICUM’s Health Care Conference**

In June 2007, PICUM held an international conference to mark the end of its two-year project on ‘Access to Health Care for Undocumented Migrants in Europe’. The two-day conference brought together nearly 200 participants including representatives of NGOs, local authorities, health care providers, policy makers, researchers, undocumented migrants and other actors to share experiences and discuss ways to address the problems associated with insufficient access to health care services for undocumented migrants. The conference report has been disseminated widely in English and French.

The Café Contact, held on day two, provided a valuable opportunity for participants to share contact information and exchange practices information to foster long term cooperation and build their competences.

Highlighting good practices from eleven EU countries, the project report received an overwhelmingly positive reception and has been requested by field practitioners as well as medical professionals, researchers and policy makers worldwide.

‘Thank you for organizing a really interesting conference! It gave a lot of inspiration to forward our work on an international level and a lot of valuable contacts’.

- SWEDISH MEMBER OF THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF MEDICAL STUDENTS ASSOCIATION
PICUM and Migrants Rights International (MRI) jointly held a workshop on the international human rights framework and its application to undocumented migrants on 30 March 2007 in Brussels, Belgium.

More than 80 representatives of NGOs, trade unions, governmental bodies, researchers, and other actors shared experiences and ideas about how to protect undocumented migrants’ human rights.

Developing capacities for the protection of undocumented children

In 2007, PICUM began a two-year project aimed at fighting discrimination-based violence against undocumented children in Europe by developing the capacity of concerned partners to protect undocumented children from gaining access to housing, education and health care.

Funded under the Daphne II programme of the European Commission, this project seeks to promote the communication and exchange of experiences amongst the institutions responsible for the social protection of undocumented children in different European countries.

The project will result in the wide dissemination of a set of specially designed reporting tools, examples of good practices for those working with undocumented children.

In addition, a sustainable network of NGOs, social, health and education workers, local authorities and reception facilities working with undocumented children will be established.

PICUM SPONSORED CAPACITY BUILDING EVENTS


7-8 June 2007, Lisbon (Portugal). PICUM was one of the supporting organizations for a conference entitled “The right to HIV/AIDS prevention, treatment, care and support for migrants and ethnic minorities in Europe: The community perspective,” organized by the European Aids Treatment Group and Grupo Português de Activistas sobre Tratamentos de VIH/SIDA Pedro Santos.

Changing people’s attitudes and preconceived ideas about undocumented migrants and their rights is an important aspect of PICUM’s activities.

Through this ongoing awareness raising, PICUM has significantly improved the increasing respect for undocumented migrants’ innate entitlement to basic social rights.

The following pages contain a listing of the numerous speaking events PICUM was present at in 2007. These events have provided opportunities for PICUM to raise awareness on key topics in a variety of fields.

In addition, PICUM was mentioned in the press on several occasions, notably concerning the issue of regularization in Luxembourg and on Euronews following an event PICUM co-sponsored at the Council of Europe in Strasbourg, October 2007.

PICUM upholds the principle that “no human being is illegal.” Many local actors striving to defend undocumented migrants’ basic human rights witness how an irregular status is an obstacle and a way of discriminating a sizeable part of the population in accessing basic social services and in upholding their human rights.

Some people think that undocumented migrants have no rights since they are living without permission to legally reside in a country which is not their own.

But it is a myth that undocumented migrants do not have any rights and therefore the purpose of this guide is to give an overview of the human rights which do in fact apply to undocumented migrants in international human rights law.

This report gives an overview of undocumented migrants human rights and offers a useful tool that can be used by a wide range of actors to strengthen their knowledge about undocumented migrants’ human rights.
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<td>Migration and the Right to Decent Work, organized by the Olof Palme International Center and the European Commission</td>
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<td>NECE Rethinking Citizenship Education in European Migration Societies, organized by the German Federal Agency for Civic Education</td>
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<td>Vivere nell’Ombra: immigrati senza documenti in Italia, Europa e Stati Uniti (Lives in the Shadows: Undocumented Migrants in Italy, Europe and the Unite) organized by the Centro Bairati and FIERI (Forum Internazionale ed Europeo di Ricerche sull’Immigrazione)</td>
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<td>EPIM Concluding Roundtable: Towards a Common European Framework for Migration and Integration Policies: Perspectives from European institutions and civil society organizations, organized by the Network of European Foundations (NEF)</td>
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<td>CIRE Working Group on Labor Migration Policies organized by CIRE (Coordination et Initiatives pour et avec les Réfugiés et Etrangers)</td>
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<td>Global Forum on Migration and Development, Civil Society Day, organized by the King Baudouin Foundation</td>
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<td>Amnesty International Workshop on the Next Global Campaign on “Human Dignity and Its EU Dimension”, organized by Amnesty International</td>
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<td>Utrecht, Netherlands</td>
<td>Expert Meeting on Undocumented Migrants, organized by Pharos</td>
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<td>September 27</td>
<td>Lisbon, Portugal</td>
<td>Health and Migrations in the European Union – Better Health for All in an Inclusive Society, organized by the Portuguese presidency of the EU</td>
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<td>Human Dimension Implementation Meeting, organized by the OSCE</td>
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<td>Immigrant Rights and International Human Rights Conference at Georgetown University Centre</td>
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<td>Sixth European Round Table on “Poverty and Social Exclusion; Minimum Social Standards: a Strategy for Protection and Empowerment”, organized by the Portuguese Presidency</td>
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<td>Namur, Belgium</td>
<td>Impressions d’exile (Impressions of Exile), organized by the C.A.I (Centre régional pour l’intégration des personnes étrangères ou d’origine étrangère)</td>
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<td>Migration: the human rights perspective – Seminar for members of parliamentary committees working on human rights and other committees addressing migration issues, organized by Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) in collaboration with the International Labour Organization (ILO) and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)</td>
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<td>European Youth Forum experts working group on migration</td>
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<td>Workshop on Compensating Trafficked and Exploited Persons, organised by the OSCE/ODIHR Anti-Trafficking Programme</td>
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<td>Life in the Shadows, an Exploration of Irregular Migration in Ireland, organized by Migrant Rights Centre Ireland</td>
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Following PICUM’s General Assembly in March 2007, PICUM members adopted a five-year action plan that incorporated “Global Action” as one of PICUM’s priority action areas over the coming years.

By increasing the voices of undocumented migrants in global policy debates, the focus will broaden from the global capital flow to enable the concerns of migrants and their families to be heard. PICUM contributes to the international dialogue on migration within the different United Nations agencies, international organizations, and civil society organizations.

PICUM is on the steering committee of Migrants Rights International (MRI), an independent global monitoring body focusing on the human rights of migrants. MRI is a non-governmental association in special consultative status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council.


The event coincided with the first meeting of the Global Forum on Migration and Development and complemented this new global process designed to enhance the positive impact of migration on development (and vice versa).

Due to limited inclusion in the Civil Society Day of the Global Forum on Migration and Development, civil society organizations (CSOs) created the community forum with the intention of giving a voice to the individuals, communities and organizations that are affected by the policies and practices around migration and development.

This parallel forum was attended by over 200 participants, representing over 190 non-governmental organizations and communities from Asia, Europe, Latin America, North America, Africa and the Middle-East.
In 2007, PICUM was grateful to receive financial support from many individuals and organizations.

Support to PICUM can be given through: membership fees, donations and core-funding to meet PICUM’s essential staff and operation costs and project-funding which enables PICUM to conduct research and advocacy on a specific issue or topic.

During the year, PICUM worked on two projects which received co-funding from the European Commission (DG Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities and DG Justice, Freedom and Security) and began its participation with the Clandestino research consortium (DG Research).

As awareness of the need to protect undocumented migrants’ human rights grows, so does the reputation of PICUM as a leading expert on the issue. More organizations and foundations, both private and public, are choosing to support PICUM’s quest to guarantee the fundamental rights of undocumented men, women and children in Europe.

PICUM would like to express particular gratitude to the following organizations for their support in 2007:

- Bond Zonder Naam
- Cordaid
- European Commission
- EPIM (European Programme for Integration and Migration)
- Oever VZW
- PIN (Commissie Projecten in Nederland)
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* Including travel, organisation of conferences and meetings
GOVERNANCE AND STAFFING

Governing Bodies

General Assembly
The general assembly consists of all ordinary and affiliated members. Each of the ordinary members is entitled to one vote and can be represented by a third party on the basis of a power of attorney. Decisions are taken by majority vote.

The general assembly convenes at least once a year, usually in the first quarter.

The Executive Committee (Board)
The Executive Committee provides advice and oversight in the implementation of the strategic plan. It carries responsibility for legal and financial duties as specified in the Statutes and Rules and Regulations. The Board also ensures that the general work of the organization is in line with the mission of the PICUM.

In 2007, the members of the Executive Committee were:

- Don Flynn [Chair], Migrants Rights Network (UK)
- Jos Deraedt, [Vice Chair] Attché (Belgium)
- Didier Vanderslycke, ORCA (Belgium)
- Carmelita Barnes, Samahan (Belgium)
- Reyes Castillo, ACCEM (Spain)
- Franck Düvell, Medinetz (Germany)
- George Joseph, Caritas (Sweden)
- Pede Saya, Various migrant organizations (The Netherlands)
- Johan Wets, HIVA, University of Leuven (Belgium)
- Thomas Van Cangh, [Treasurer] (Jan–Oct) Consultant (Belgium)

Management Committee
The Management Committee (MC) is a subgroup of the Executive Committee and was established to provide the secretariat with additional assistance with the day to day management of PICUM. The MC addresses strategic matters, liquidity, funding, staff issues and general housekeeping issues.

Staff
In 2007, PICUM’s secretariat consisted of the following:

- Michele LeVoy, Director
- Sara Collantes, Project Officer
- Tommaso Bicocchi, Project Officer
- Eve Geddie, Project Assistant (Jan–Sept)
  Acting Director (Oct–Dec)
- Channing Rodman – Funding Developer
- Angela Gegg – Administrator

Interns
PICUM is especially grateful to the following individuals who completed an internship in the organization during 2007:

PICUM represents a network of members throughout Europe and at International level. Membership of PICUM is divided into two categories:

**Ordinary members** are individuals who are usually involved in humanitarian activities concerning undocumented migrants and/or are active in NGOs. PICUM welcomes individuals who support and are willing to contribute to the aims of PICUM.

**Affiliated members** are organizations whose activities fully or partly relate to the situation of undocumented migrants in Europe. They acknowledge the PICUM membership structure outlined in the PICUM statutes and bylaws (available from the Secretariat or website).

Membership fees ensure that PICUM has funds for year-round campaigning, and allows it to continue providing a high standard of expertise, information and support free of charge to those in need.

As a leading advocate for the human rights of undocumented migrants, PICUM is increasingly called upon to issue comments, hold consultations and participate in seminars, conferences, specialized working groups and hearings at European and international levels.

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*‘It is encouraging to share experiences and to meet others who are fighting against similar unfavorable circumstances as our small organization is doing.’*

PICUM MEMBER FROM ZURICH, SWITZERLAND

For details on joining PICUM, please visit our website at [www.picum.org](http://www.picum.org)
PICUM currently has 101 affiliated members from 25 different countries.
Affiliated Member List

Albania
- Qendra Avokatise Luli

Austria
- AFRA – International Centre for Black Women’s Perspective
- Diakonie – Evangelischer Flüchtlingsdienst Österreich

Belgium
- Abraço
- Bond Zonder Naam
- De Loodsen V.Z.W.
- De Meeting V.Z.W.
- December 18
- Filipino Chaplaincy
- Foyer
- Haven (De Acht)
- Kerkwerk Multicultureel Samenleven
- Le Monde des Possibles ASBL
- Medimmigrant
- OR.C.A. – Organisatie voor Clandestiene Arbeidsmigranten
- Oriëntatiepunt Gezondheidszorg Oost-Vlaanderen
- Point d’Appui
- Protestant Sociaal Centrum
- Samahan – Filipino Migrant Workers Union in Belgium
- Verenigde Protestantse Kerk in België

Bosnia & Herzegovina
- La Strada B&H Mostar

Brazil
- Sodreitos – Sociedade de Direitos Sexuais Amazônia

Czech Republic
- La Strada Czech Republic
- People in Need
- Poradna pro uprchiky o.s.

Denmark
- Babaylan Denmark – Philippine Women’s Network

Estonia
- Legal Information Centre for Human Rights

Finland
- Unit for Diaconia and Society/Evangelical Lutheran Church of Finland

France
- GISTI – Groupe d’information et de soutien des immigrés

Germany
- Agrisa, Köln
- BAG Asyl in der Kirche
- Europäisches Burgerforum Flüchtlingsrat im Kreis Viersen e.V.
- Flüchtlingsrat Kreis Coesfeld
- Flüchtlingsrat Nordrhein Westfalen
- Förderverein Niedersächsischer Flüchtlingsrat e.V.
- IG Metall-Vorstand
- Medinett Bremen
- Pax Christi Deutschland
- PRO ASYL

Ireland
- Immigrant Council of Ireland
- Migrant Rights Centre Ireland
- SIPTU – Services Industrial Professional and Technical Union

Italy
- Associazione Centro Astalli
- Casa dei Diritti Sociali
- FCEI – Federazione delle Chiese Evangeliche in Italia, Servizio Rifugiati e Migranti
- NAGA – Associazione Volontaria di Assistenza Socio-Sanitaria e per i Diritti di Stranieri e Nomadi

Luxembourg
- ASTI – association de soutien aux travailleurs immigrés ASBL

Malta
- Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS), Malta

Norway
- Antirasistisk Senter, Norway
Affiliated Member List

Portugal
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- Felicitas

Spain
- ACCEM, Department of European Affairs
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- APDHA – Asociación Pro Derechos Humanos de Andalucia
- Caritas Diocesana de Barcelona
- Centro Pueblos Unidos
- Federación Andalucía Acoge
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- HACT – The Housing Association Charitable Trust
- Human Too
- Immigration Advisory Service
- Joint Council for the Welfare of Immigrants
- North West Migrant Workers’ Institute

The United States
- NELP National Employment Law Project

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