**Stop Mare Mortum (SMM)**

**Region:** Catalonia  
**Organisation responsible:** SMM  
**Period:** Since April 2015

**Activity:** Stop Mare Mortum is a citizen platform whose objective is to foster a change in European immigration and migration policies.

**Objectives**

- Defending and promoting human rights and non-violence.
- Denouncing the constant deaths in the Mediterranean, considered as a new form of genocide in the 21st century.
- Calling to the responsibility of the states, of their citizenship and of the organizations that, with their internal and external decisions, generate mass displacement.
- Promoting critical, ethical and transformative cooperation, while respecting the idiosyncrasy of the societies in which these actions are carried out.
- Replacing the role of States and the European Union in the armed conflicts near the Mediterranean, which must be a measure of intervention aimed at stopping humanitarian crises.
- Denouncing the arms market and the geostrategic interests that promote it; advocating for its prohibition.
- Denouncing the lobbies and groups of economic interests that pressure states and institutions of the European Union to obtain private benefits.
- Participating in public affairs, as a right and a duty that must be exercised.
- Appealing to the citizens to position themselves and mobilize themselves for those issues that generate injustices and violate human rights, both in Catalonia and in the rest of the world.

**Description**

Their work is based on two main pillars: the raising awareness among citizens and having an impact at policy level. That's why they work on concentrations and mobilizations, talks and political proposals.

**Beneficiaries**

Catalan institutions and society.

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**GOAL 8: Raise alternative narratives in social media and traditional media**

(121) Strategically support and get engaged in civil resistance and nonviolent movements advocating for social change in face of injustice or political violence and terror. Strengthening the legitimacy of nonviolent movements acting in violent conflicts seem to be the most effective strategy to confront injustice, transform conflicts and reinforce community resilience.

**GOAL 7: Promote democratic values and protect civil society space**

(116) Promote the enjoyment of democratic values, economic, social and cultural rights, including human rights-based initiatives that help eliminate the conditions conducive to violent extremism.