# BLACKBOX ERITREA?

OPEN FORUM
AND EXPERT TALKS

THEATRE, FILMS PHOTOGRAPHY

ERITREAN FOOD MUSIC & DANCE WITH ABRAR OSMAN

# **BLACKBOX ERITREA?**

This weekend in the Rote Fabrik gives you an answer. On Saturday, experts from Eritrea and Switzerland inform in an open forum and on Sunday, you have the chance to meet them personally at «Open the blackbox — meet the experts.»

#### ERITREA

A country known for its huge European diaspora. The Eritrean diaspora in Switzerland is one of the largest in Europe.

An extremely militarized country without freedom of press and where up to 5000 people per month take refuge from - Despite a firing order at the borders. A

#### **ERITREA**

country that differs opinions.

#### **PROGRAMME** SUNDAY, 16. OCTOBER 2016

1:30 pm	Introduction Eritrea
2 - 5 pm	Open the blackbox — meet the experts
5 pm	Eritrean food
6:30 pm	Theatre group Futstep «Blackbox future?»
7:15 pm	Film: Between Fire and Desert

#### OPEN THE BLACKBOX -MEET THE EXPERTS

Broaden your knowledge of Eritrea. «Open the blackbox - meet the experts» enables the audience to construct its own personal and varied image of Eritrea out of 200 particles of knowledge.

#### SCAN ERITREA

30 experts of education, culture, media, industry, agriculture, justice, police, prison, psychology, health, religion, diaspora, opposition and former Swiss supporters of the Eritrean fight for freedom.

#### **EXPERTS**

Abdalla Khiyar, Ahmed Ibrahim, Abdu Mehamod Andu, Abdulrazej Seid, Abrar Osman, Daniel Gebrehiwet, Daniel R. Mekonnen, Hassan Tarig, Huruy Gherezghiher, Mehari Ukbalidet, Merihsenai Adresom, Nebiat Abraham, Rigat Hadish, Selahadin Romodan, Selim Hussein, Semhar Gebrehiwet, Sherefedin Mussa, Veronica Almedom, Yemane Yohannes, Peter Niggli & andere.

### **BOOK EXPERTS**

Book an expert for 20 min for a personal talk. You can chose from more than 30 experts this afternoon. German, English and French spoken. The check-in is open starting from 2pm. Every 20 min you have the chance to book a new round.

# **BLACKBOX FUTURE?**

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### FILM

BETWEEN THE DESERT AND THE FIRE

A film about Eritrean refugees in the Sudan. Yasser Ashour, 45 min, arab., engl., Al Jazeera, Katar

## SATURDAY, 15. OCTOBER 2016

2 - 7 pm	Introduction Eritrea, Open forum,
	Discussion, short film
7 pm	Eritrean food
8:30 pm	Theatre group Futstep «Blackbox future»
9 pm	Music and dance, Abrar Osman with Embi Nmilki

#### INTRODUCTION

#### RIGAT HADISH UND ABDUL RAZEJ SEID

(former chairmen of the umbrella organization of the Eritrean oppositional movement in Switzerland) present the history of Eritrea. People and country. From colonialism over independence to dictatorship.

#### OPEN FORUM

#### — BLACKBOX ERITREA? FATHER MUSSIE ZERAI

Roman-catholic priest with emergency phone number for refugees of the Mediterranean. www.habeshia.blogspot.ch

#### **VERONICA ALMEDOM**

Eritrean human rights activist, founder of the Stop-Slavery-in-Eritrea-campaign and member of the Federal Commission on Migration.

Facebook: The Stop Slavery In Eritrea Campaign

#### DR. DANIEL R. MEKONNEN

Eritrean human rights counsellor, poet and migration researcher. www.ilpi.org/people/daniel-r-mekonnen

#### DR. ABDALLA KHIYAR

Former Eritrean judge of the Supreme Court in Asmara. Facebook: abdalla khiyar

#### DR. DAVID BOZZINI

Dr. David Bozzini is a social anthropologist teaching at the Seminar für Kulturwissenschaft und Europäische Ethnologie at University of Basel. www.davidbozzini.org

#### HOST

#### **ANDREAS ZUMACH**

Journalist, international correspondent at the UNO office in Geneva, author.

#### SHORT FILM

#### YONAS UND CHRISTIAN

The Eritrean Media Coalition at the «Club» on SRF. Rico Jauch, 15 min, de., engl., HSLU Design & Kunst, Luzern 2016

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## **HIDMONA**

Eritrea's most popular and known singer Abrar Osman with his group Embi Nmilki (No to dictatorship) and traditional dances.

## **PERMANENT**

#### FOOD

## INJERA, ADES, HAMLI

Foodtruck with delicious Eritrean specialties. Exclusive show cooking on Injera oven.

#### **EXPERIENCE TIGRINYA**

Language workshop. Participating on the Tigrinya dictionary.

#### DOLCE VITA IN HELL

Photographies from Eritrea by the photojournalist Stéphanie Buret.

#### NETWORKING

#### **INFORMATION DESK AND ENCOUNTERS**

Different Swiss and Eritrean organizations. Scientific works about Eritrea and its diaspora. Documentations of intercultural art projects (Eritrean diaspora/ Switzerland) and possibilities to meet people and experts.

## FILMS

A VISA FOR ASMARA, ERITREA Nicolas Germain, Romero Langlois 28 min, engl., France24 Frankreich 2016

#### **INSIDE ERITREA**

Shabnam Grewal, 23 min, engl. BBC, England 2015

#### **NEVSUN IN ERITREA: DEALING** WITH A DICTATOR — THE FIFTH ESTATE

Scott Anderson, 41 min, engl. CBC News, Canada 2016

#### LAMPEDUSA: AN ERITREAN **TRAGEDY**

StopSlavery InEritrea, 28 min engl., Channel 4, 2014

www.eritreischer-medienbund.ch



















