

Debordering the countryside

Community-based Support with Racialised Farmworkers in Sicily

We challenge structural racism in Sicily's agricultural labour system, through concrete support to migrant workers, documentation and advocacy. First, we provide **sustained, accessible legal and social support to migrant workers and other racialised groups engaged in informal labour in rural areas**. At the same time, we critically report on local government attempts to undermine, evict and/or replace informal settlements and the consequences of these policies on workers' living conditions. As we stand by the workers, we produce and circulate counter-narratives that contribute to **deconstructing the racialised category of 'seasonal migrant worker'** through community events that bring together temporary workers and local residents.



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Italy (Palermo,
Campobello, Ribera)



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- Migration, xenophobia and border violence
- Institutional/structural racism



- Legal assistance
- Research
- Advocacy

Activities

- A **mobile socio-legal clinic** (Sportello mobile) in rural settlements and agricultural zones offering active and multilingual listening, legal assistance and administrative support.
- Continuous **monitoring of eviction and criminalisation policies** against seasonal farm workers;
- A **report** analysing the impact of local government eviction policies on racialised workers' dignity and right to housing, with comparative insights from other Southern European regions
- **Community-based events** in rural towns (i.e. film screening, public dinners), fostering informal encounters between students, young activists, migrant workers and local residents during the harvest seasons.