



PLATFORM FOR INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION ON UNDOCUMENTED MIGRANTS

# PICUM 2006 Annual Report

PICUM, the Platform for International Cooperation on Undocumented Migrants, is a non-governmental organization 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.

PICUM is based in Brussels, Belgium, and has nearly 90 affiliated members and 90 ordinary members in around 20 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.

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## 1. Monitoring and Reporting

PICUM undertakes monitoring and reporting to improve the understanding of issues related to the protection of the human rights of undocumented migrants through improved knowledge of problems, policies and practice.

In 2006, PICUM continued implementing research, monitoring and reporting activities in order to improve the understanding of roots and causes of discrimination against undocumented migrants. PICUM reported on the social

exclusion of undocumented migrants and supported the exchange of good practices regarding the protection of rights of undocumented migrants in Europe.

PICUM disseminated information on the human rights of undocumented migrants to its members, its network and to other relevant organisations through a monthly newsletter and a website updated with news, events and publications.

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### PICUM's Main Concerns About the Fundamental Rights of Undocumented Migrants in Europe in 2006

This report is based upon issues that were highlighted in PICUM's newsletters in 2006, including the increasing numbers of deaths at EU borders, the various barriers undocumented migrants face in accessing health care services, the erosion of the right to fair working conditions, and the lack of protection for undocumented children.

### Newsletter

PICUM continues to diffuse its monthly newsletter on news items and policy developments concerning the human rights of undocumented migrants in Europe. The newsletter also includes

news items about undocumented migrants in the United States. One section is devoted to migrants who die while trying to enter the European Union or the United States. In addition, upcoming events and publications are listed.

The newsletter is sent to approximately 2,500 subscribers and beyond and is available in English and six other languages: French, Spanish, Italian, Portuguese, German and Dutch. The translations are made possible due to a network of volunteer translators based throughout Europe. The newsletter is sent to PICUM's members, to international institutions (Council of Europe, European Economic and Social Council), to policy makers (European parliamentarians, European Commission, national policy makers), to research institutions, journalists, national and

international NGOs and many local organizations.

### Website

PICUM's website provides extensive information on human rights of undocumented migrants, legal instruments and international

conventions, projects and thematic research areas. In 2007, PICUM will re-design and develop its website in order to provide more coherent information, to facilitate access to relevant data, official documents, and contacts and to underline PICUM's achievements in terms of advocacy.

## 2. Capacity Building

PICUM aims to develop the capacities of NGOs and all other actors involved in effectively preventing and addressing discrimination against undocumented migrants.

In 2006, PICUM supported the exchange of information and good practices among members at the European level. PICUM focused its capacity-building activities on European policy development, protection of

undocumented migrant workers and promoting access to the health care for undocumented migrants.

In the framework of its project on health care, PICUM organised workshops with NGOs, health professionals and local authorities to support the exchange of good practices and to define lobbying strategies to mainstream undocumented migrants into social policies at national level.

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### EU Project on “Access to Health Care for Undocumented Migrants”

This project aims to improve access to health care for undocumented migrants, a specific group of socially excluded migrants.

The project has increased the understanding and has encouraged partners and other local actors to participate in the Social Inclusion-Social Protection process at national and European level by providing information about the streamlined Open Method of Coordination (OMC) and how undocumented migrants could fit in as well as about the civil society consultation processes in the different partner countries.

More than 250 people have been reached through several expert meetings in Brussels, more than 90 individual

interviews and 7 networking meetings organized in the different partner countries.

Specific tools have been provided to facilitate the involvement of local actors:

- Self Description of Organisation (to help organizations to provide and systematize data)
- Reporting Template (to assist actors to frame collected information and send written submissions to the national authorities responsible for drafting the National Action Plans (NAPs))

Project partners have been provided with the names and contact details of key actors in the field of the Social Inclusion Process: National authorities responsible for drafting the NAPs, independent experts, and anti-poverty networks.

National authorities responsible for drafting the NAPs as well as the network of independent experts on social inclusion have been informed about the project (project staff have personally met them in 11 countries).

### Undocumented Migrants with HIV/AIDS

In 2006, AIDS and Mobility Europe published a report entitled *How HIV-positive people with an uncertain residence status survive in Europe: You can speak!* PICUM's Chair Don Flynn wrote the preface of this publication, entitled "The ideal of migrant-friendly health care".

### Presentations at Various Fora on Anti-Trafficking Using PICUM's *Ten Ways to Protect Undocumented Workers* Methodology

- Presentation at the meeting of the OSCE Anti-Trafficking Focal Points, 9 May 2006, Warsaw (Poland).

- Presentation at a meeting organized by the Churches Commission for Migrants in Europe (CCME) for the "Trafficking in

human beings: new challenges, new partnerships" CAT project, 25-28 June 2006, Prague (Czech Republic).

- Presentation at a conference on "Action against trafficking and forced labour exploitation of migrant workers in Europe," organized by the International Labor Organization (ILO), 29-30 June, Lisbon (Portugal).

- Co-facilitation of a workshop at the NGO Platform meeting organized by La Strada on "Anti-Trafficking Activity Towards Safe Migration Practices: Role of NGOs as Watchdogs and Service Providers". PICUM's workshop was on "Safe Migration Perspectives - Ways to Protect Migrant Workers", 26-27 September, Kiev (Ukraine).

- Presentation on "¿Ayudar a los inmigrantes que sufren de la trata de personas - un papel para la sociedad civil?" (Aiding trafficked migrants - a role for civil society?) at a conference organized by ACCEM "Trata con fines de explotación en España," (Trafficking for Labor Exploitation in Spain), 18 December, Madrid (Spain).

### 3. 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, economic development in order to make the rights of undocumented migrants acknowledged and protected at the European level.

As such, PICUM monitors and takes position on EU initiatives and papers, organises advocacy events with targeted

policy makers and participates in European networks sharing its objectives and values.

To defend undocumented migrants' human rights, in 2006 PICUM submitted comments, made presentations, and participated in seminars, conferences, specialized working groups and hearings. PICUM's advocacy was carried out in different degrees towards European and national level governmental institutions.

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#### Submission of comments

PICUM submitted comments on the following policy papers:

- Draft version of "Migration and Public Perception," by the European Bureau of Policy Advisors (BEPA), European Commission (*this paper has since been published*).
- Draft version of "Position Paper on Poverty and Migration," by the European Anti-Poverty Network (EAPN).
- Draft version of "The Right to Health as a Human Right: Ensuring Access to Health for People Who Are Homeless," by FEANTSA.

#### Speeches at EU and National (governmental) level events

- Presentation at the Third Meeting at the Council of Europe of the Working Group for the Preparation of the 2006 Forum on "What type of social policies do we need in a multicultural Europe?", 1-2 June 2006, Strasbourg (France).
- Participation in the "Mainstreaming non-discrimination in integration policies," Round Table Conference organized by the European Monitoring Centre on Racism and Xenophobia (EUMC), 4 October 2006, Helsinki (Finland).
- Presentation at the Expert Workshop on "Protecting Migrants' Human Rights," organized by the Office of the Commissioner for Human Rights, Council



of Europe, (participation), 8 November 2006, Strasbourg (France).

- Presentation at the Council of Europe Forum 2006 "Achieving social cohesion in a multicultural Europe", 9-10 November 2006, Strasbourg (France).

- Presentation at "Undocumented workers in Europe - The need for their labour and immigration policy in Scandinavian countries," seminar organized by the Finnish Green Party, the Finnish Parliament and Chamber of Commerce, 13 November 2006, Helsinki (Finland).

- Presentation at the Joint meeting at the European Parliament of the Fourth World European Committee (Intergroup Fighting Against Poverty and Exclusion), and the Intergroup on Family and Protection of Childhood, 13 December 2006, Strasbourg (France)

### Membership in European NGO Networks

In 2006, PICUM was a member of the following European NGO networks:

### The Social Platform:

The Social Platform promotes social justice and participatory democracy by voicing the concerns of its member organizations.

### The European NGO Platform:

PICUM participates in meetings of the European NGO Platform and its migration working group. This platform is a loose network of Brussels-based NGOs working in the field of migration and asylum.

### The European Platform for Migrant Workers' Rights (EPMWR):

PICUM is a member of the EPMWR, a platform established in early 2005 to promote the ratification by EU member states of the International Convention for the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and the Members of Their Families.

### The European Anti-Poverty Network (EAPN):

PICUM is member of the European Anti-Poverty Network (EAPN), a representative network of non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and groups involved in the fight against poverty and social exclusion in EU Member States.

## 4. Awareness Raising

Changing public perception and preconceived ideas about undocumented migrants and their rights is an important aspect of PICUM's activities.

In 2006 PICUM continued its awareness-raising activities with the aim of influencing public perception about undocumented migrants and their rights. One of the objectives has been to dispel myths about undocumented migrants and promote various ways to protect them. This priority is very much linked to

priorities on exchange of information and advocacy: better information on undocumented migrants could contribute to a change of attitudes concerning undocumented migrants and could promote social change.

PICUM facilitated the exchange of information and good practices on the European level by bringing together organisations and policy makers from different European countries in thematic workshops or seminars.

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### PICUM Conference on *Ten Ways to Protect Undocumented Migrant Workers*

PICUM, in cooperation with the following institutions, held two events in Brussels on 23–24 March 2006 on the protection of undocumented workers:

- "Protecting Undocumented Migrant Workers in Europe: Successes and Strategies," Event organized by PICUM with the support of the European Trade Union Confederation (ETUC), 23 March 2006, Brussels (Belgium).
- "Regularization is not the only policy: *Ten Ways to Protect Undocumented Migrant Workers*," PICUM / European Policy Centre / King Baudouin Foundation dialogue, 24 March 2006, Brussels (Belgium).

Over the two days, more than 100 representatives of NGOs, trade unions, governmental bodies, researchers, and other actors shared experiences and ideas about how to protect undocumented workers from exploitation and abuse.

### 11<sup>th</sup> International Metropolis Conference, 2–6 October, Lisbon, Portugal

At the Metropolis conference, PICUM held a workshop on 3 October 2006 on "Protecting Undocumented Migrant Workers in Europe."

PICUM Chair Don Flynn facilitated the workshop and presenters included Franck Duvell, COMPAS (UK); Michele LeVoy, PICUM; Reyes Castillo, ACCEM (Spain); Sonia McKay, London Metropolitan University (UK) and

Christopher Ho, Legal Aid Society–Employment Law Center (USA).

Also during the Metropolis conference, PICUM Chair Don Flynn made a presentation on “Aiding trafficked migrants – a role for civil society?” in a workshop organized by Anti-Slavery International on 4 October on “Trafficking for Forced Labor and Labor Exploitation of Migrant Workers”.

### Press Release

*Will undocumented migrants continue to be invisible in the new national action plans on social inclusion, health and pensions for 2006–2008?*

Within the framework of its project on access to health care for undocumented migrants, PICUM launched a press release on 15 September 2006 to target undocumented migrants into the Social Inclusion–Social Protection Process on the European and national levels.

To this aim, a coordinated action will be taken by PICUM and its project partners in eleven EU member states to make undocumented migrants’ social exclusion more visible in the next set of national reports (2008–2010).

### External Representation

PICUM made presentations and participated in seminars, conferences, specialized working groups and hearings to advocate for the rights of undocumented migrants in Europe.

#### *Civil Society Organizations:*

– Presentation at “Festung Europa”, Conference on Labour Migration in

Europe, organized by Heinrich–Boell–Foundation / Department of Migration. Micaela Sampedro Fromont of ACCEM (PICUM member in Spain) gave a presentation on behalf of PICUM and ACCEM at this event which took place on 16–17 February 2006, Hamburg (Germany).

– Presentation at “Femmes immigrées – participation, leadership et égalité au niveau local,” (Women immigrants – participation, leadership and equality on the local level) organized by ENTP – European New Towns Platform (ENTP), 4 May 2006, Brussels (Belgium).

– Presentation at “How to Make Children Visible in Migration!” organized by Save the Children – Separated Children in Europe Program, 8 May 2006, Warsaw (Poland).

– Presentation at the round table discussion on “‘Sans–papiers’: d’hier et d’aujourd’hui. Saint Bernard: dix ans après” (Undocumented migrants : today and yesterday. Ten years after Saint Bernard), organized by CIEMI, Centre d’information et d’études sur les migrations internationales, 1 June 2006, Paris (France).

– Presentation at the First Transnational Workshop of the URB–HEALTH Thematic network: “Vulnerable Groups and Health in the Urban Context,” organized by “Città di Torino” with the support of QEC – ERAN (European Regeneration Areas Network – Quartiers en Crise), 2 June 2006, Bratislava (Slovakia).

– Presentation at “Migration and Rights Workshop, Bellagio Dialogue on Migration,” organized by the German Marshall Fund of the United States (GMF)

and the Rockefeller Foundation, 26 June–1 July 2006, Bellagio (Italy).

– Presentation at “Trade unions and migrant workers,” organized by the Union Ideas Network (UIN), 19 July 2006, London (UK).

– Presentation at AIDS & Mobility Main Conference: “Bridging Policy & Action.” PICUM member Joost Den Otter from the Dutch NGO Pharos represented PICUM and discussed undocumented migrants’ access to health care at this event which was held from 28–30 September 2006, Utrecht (Netherlands).

– Presentation at the ETUC (European Trade Union Confederation) Migration and Inclusion Working Group. PICUM’s presentation was on “What role for trade unions with regard to irregular migration? A follow-up of the PICUM seminar on trade unions and undocumented workers”, 12 October, Brussels (Belgium).

– Participation in the “Migration Integration and Participation: An International Learning Exchange,” organized by the Atlantic Philanthropies, Ford Foundation, German Marshall Fund of the United States (GMF), King Baudouin Foundation and Open Society Institute, 12–18 November 2006, Brussels (Belgium), Berlin (Germany), London (UK).

– Presentation at the “European and National Agencies Dealing with the Non-Accepted,” 8th EUROFOR Marie-Curie Conference within the series: “From Immigration Politics to Migration Management – Changes in Migration

Governance”, 14–17 December 2006, Berlin (Germany).

#### Research Institutes:

– Presentation on *Ten Ways to Protect Undocumented Migrant Workers* at the KUL – Catholic University of Leuven, 1 March 2006, Leuven (Brussels).

– Presentation on “Los inmigrantes indocumentados en Europa” (Undocumented Migrants in Europe) at the Universidad de Salamanca, 23 March 2006, Salamanca (Spain).

– Participation in the second meeting of the Steering Committee of the NOMIBE project entitled “New Migration and New Migrants in Belgium”. This interuniversity project is undertaken by the following research institutes in Belgium: GERME, ULB; HIVA, KUL; OASeS and CEMIS,UA; CEDEM, ULg., 20 October, Brussels (Belgium).

– Presentation at “Migrations between Latin America and Europe: Analytical and Political Challenges,” organized by the European Union – Latin American Relations Observatory (EULARO) and the Université Catholique de Louvain, 6–7 November 2006, Brussels (Belgium).

– Presentation at “Human Rights and Citizenship: The Challenges of Migrations,” organized by the Istituto per gli Studi di Politica Internazionale (ISPI), 13 November 2006, Milan (Italy).

## 5. Global Actors on International Migration

While primarily based in Europe, PICUM's network has started to include partners in the United States, the Caribbean, and some countries in Latin America and Asia.

As a member of the Steering Committee of Migrants Rights International, PICUM has played an important role in contributing to networking of civil

society organizations on the global level that defend migrants' rights.

Also through Migrants Rights International, PICUM played a key role in the civil society parallel events that were organized in September 2006 in New York during the UN High Level Dialogue on Migration and Development.

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### UN High Level Dialogue on Migration and Development

The articulate dialogue that is developing within different UN agencies on the role that migration can have in the development process reached a fundamental step in September 2006 with the promotion of the United Nations High Level Dialogue on Migration and Development.

#### *Informal Interactive Hearings*

Prior to the High Level Dialogue, the United Nations held Informal Interactive Hearings with civil society organizations in New York (USA) on 12 July 2006.

PICUM submitted comments on the Report of the UN Secretary General on International Migration and Development at the Informal Interactive Hearings of the General Assembly at the UN Headquarters in New York.

PICUM was the lead civil society organization concerning undocumented migrants at the hearings.

#### *High Level Dialogue*

PICUM participated in an international working group within Migrants Rights International (MRI) to promote a human rights approach to migration within the framework of the UN's High Level Dialogue on Migration and Development in New York, 13–15 September 2006, New York (USA).

MRI's international working group undertook the following initiatives:

- Organized a parallel forum to the UNHLD on "Community Dialogue on Migration, Development and Human Rights," held on 11–15 September in New York. During the parallel forum, PICUM co-organized a workshop on "The Global Economy and Strategies

for Advancing the Rights of Undocumented Migrant Workers.”

- Held a side event on 14 September 2006 in the UN that was sponsored by the Argentinean government, entitled “Migration from a human rights perspective.
- Nominated two MRI international working group members to participate in round table discussions during the UNHLD. These representatives were two out of only twelve civil society representatives invited by the UN to engage in the round table discussions with UN Member States and UN institutions.

#### UNITAR Conference on “Irregular Migration”

PICUM Chair Don Flynn made presentations at a conference on “Irregular Migration,” organized by UNITAR (United Nations Institute for Training and Research), New York (USA), 30 August 2006.

PICUM’s presentations focused on “Undocumented migrants’ access to housing, health and education” and “Organizing civil society cooperation on irregular migration.

#### Migrant Forum in Asia Conference on Irregular Migration

PICUM Director Michele LeVoy made a presentation at a conference on “Current Perspectives and Strategies in Addressing ‘Irregular Migration,’” organized by Migrant Forum in Asia and the Singapore Trade Union Congress in Singapore, 6–7 November 2006.

PICUM’s presentation was on “Regularization Strategies of Civil Society Organizations.”

One of the focuses of the conference was the international human rights framework and undocumented migrants, and participation and networking contributed to PICUM’s publication on this issue.

## 6. Financial Report

January – December 2006			
	Income		Expenditure
EU Project on Health Care – DG Employment and Social Affairs	€ 102,880.24	Staff	€ 151,153.27
Other subsidies & projects		Activities*	€ 45,982.70
– Network of European Foundations	€ 28,018.32		
– Bond Zonder Naam	€ 25,000.00		
– Stichting Overal	€ 2,500.00		
– Gasthuiszusters Augustinessen van Lier	€ 5,000.00		
– Stichting vrienden Medische Missiezusters	€ 5,000.00		
– Missionarissen Van Steyl	€ 5,000.00		
– Caritas International	€ 5,000.00		
– Medimmigrant	€ 11,000.00		
– Stichting Liberty	€ 15,000.00		
– Provinciaal der Broeders van Liefde vzw	€ 1,000.00		
Membership fees	€ 3,668.09	Facilities & Administration	€ 27,541.20
Other revenues (sale of publications, PICUM expertise,...)	€ 9,371.72	Loss for the year	–€ 6,238.80
<b>Total</b>	<b>€ 218,438.37</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>€ 218,438.37</b>
* including travel, organisation of conferences and meetings			

## 7. PICUM's Structure

### 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 March or April.

#### **The Executive Committee**

The Executive Committee provides strategic 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 Executive Committee also ensures that the general work of the organisation is in line with the mission of the PICUM.

In 2006, the members of the Executive Committee included:

- *Didier Vanderslycke, ORCA (Belgium)*
  - *Don Flynn, Migrants Rights Network (United Kingdom) - Elected chair in April 2006*
  - *Franck Düvell, Medinetz Bremen (Germany)*
  - *Lisa Gagni, CESTIM (Italy)*
  - *Carmelita Barnes, Samahan (Belgium)*
  - *George Joseph, Caritas (Sweden)*
  - *Pede Saya, Nieuwe Sporen door Utrecht (The Netherlands) (Co-opted)*
- Pieter Muller (Netherlands) is the Honorary Chair of the Board.
- #### **Management Committee**
- The Management Committee (MC) is a subgroup of the Executive Committee and consists of the Chair (Don Flynn), Vice Chair (Jos Deraedt), Treasurer (Thomas Van Canghai), a board member (Pede Saya) and the Director (Michele LeVoy).
- The Management Committee provides the secretariat with additional assistance with the day to day management of PICUM. The MC looks at strategic issues, liquidity, funding, staff issues and general housekeeping matters.
- *Johan Wets, HIVA (Belgium) - Chair until March 2006, currently board member*
  - *Jos Deraedt (Belgium) - Vice Chair*



## Affiliated Members

In 2006, PICUM had 77 affiliated members from 17 different countries, mainly in Europe.

### Albania

Qendra Avokatise Luli

### Austria

Diakonie – Evangelischer  
Flüchtlingsdienst Österreich

### Belgium

De Loodsen V.Z.W.  
De Meeting V.Z.W.  
December 18  
Filipino Chaplaincy  
Foyer  
Haven (De Acht)  
Jesuit Refugee Service – Europe  
Kerkwerk Multicultureel Samenleven  
Le Monde des Possibles ASBL  
Medimmigrant  
O.R.C.A. – Organisatie voor Clandestiene  
Arbeidsmigranten  
Oriëntatiepunt Gezondheidszorg Oost-  
Vlaanderen  
Pax Christi International  
Point d'Appui  
Protestant Sociaal Centrum  
Quaker Council for European Affairs  
Samahan – Filipino Migrant Workers  
Union in Belgium  
Verenigde Protestantse Kerk in België  
Vluchtelingen Onthaalgroep Sint Niklaas  
VMC – Vlaams Minderheden Centrum

### 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

Agisra, Köln  
BAG Asyl in der Kirche  
Europäisches Bürgerforum in der BRD  
Flüchtlingsrat im Kreis Viersen e.V.  
Flüchtlingsrat Kreis Coesfeld  
Flüchtlingsrat Nordrhein Westfalen  
Förderverein Niedersächsischer  
Flüchtlingsrat e.V.  
Medinetz Bremen  
Pax Christi Deutschland  
PRO ASYL

### Ireland

Immigrant Council of 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

### Portugal

Jesuit Refugee Service Portugal (JRS)

### Serbia

Felicitas

### **Spain**

ACCEM, Department of European Affairs  
AEAH (Asociación Emprendedora de Acciones u Ayudas Humanitarias)  
Asociación Pro Derechos Humanos de Andalucía  
Caritas Diocesana de Barcelona  
Centro Pueblos Unidos  
Interculturalia intercultural studies and research  
Salud y Familia

### **Sweden**

Rosengrenska

### **Switzerland**

Flüchtlingsgruppe Dreifaltigkeit  
Sozialdienst Dreifaltigkeit  
Syndicat interprofessionnel des travailleurs et travailleuses (SIT)

### **The Netherlands**

ASKV (Amsterdams Solidariteits Komitee Vluchtelingen)  
Commissie Justitia et Pax Nederland  
Dokters van de Wereld

Ecumenical Ministry for Filipinos Abroad (EMFA)  
Netwerk Religieuzen voor Vluchtelingen  
OKIA  
PHAROS  
Respect NL  
Stichting INLIA  
Stichting LOS  
Stichting Mamre  
Stichting Ros  
Stichting Searchweb  
Trusted Migrants  
UNITED for Intercultural Action

### **Ukraine**

Lviv Regional Branch of the European Youth Rep

### **United Kingdom**

God's Time Ministries Trust  
Human Too  
Immigration Advisory Service  
Joint Council for the Welfare of Immigrants

### **United States**

NELP – National Employment Law Project

## Ordinary Members

In 2006, PICUM had 87 ordinary members, including:

**Alain Lafère**, Belgium

**Amanda Shah** – Immigration Advisory Service, United Kingdom

**Andi Pacurar** – Romanian Forum for Refugees & Migrants, Romania  
Antje Helbig – Germany

**Camila Rodrigues** – Jesuit Refugee Service Portugal (JRS), Portugal

**Carmelita Barnes** – Samahan, Belgium, Executive Committee Member

**Caroline Meijers** – European Civic Forum, Switzerland

**Connie Van Den Broeck** – Stichting LOS (Landelijk Ongedocumenteerden Steunpunt), The Netherlands

**Daniel Calero Davyt** – Church of Sweden, Diocese of Stockholm, Sweden

**Denise Charlton** – Immigrant Council of Ireland, Ireland

**Didier Vanderslycke** – Organisatie voor Clandestiene Arbeidsmigranten (O.R.C.A.), Belgium – Executive Committee Member

**Dimitry Neuckens** – Vlaams Minderheden Centrum (VMC) – Belgium

**Dirk van Daele** – Foyer, Belgium

**Dominique van Huystee** – Stichting LOS (Landelijk Ongedocumenteerden Steunpunt), The Netherlands

**Don Flynn** – Joint Council for the Welfare of Immigrants, United Kingdom – Executive Committee Member

**Eberhardt Vorbrodt**, Germany

**Egheosa Osagumwengie Jesuorobo** – God's Time Ministries Trust, United Kingdom

**Elisa Gagni** – CESTIM, Italy – Executive Committee Member

**Elizabeth Halasz** – Swedish Network of Asylum and Refugee and Support Groups (FARR), Sweden

**Ellen Druyts** – Medisch Steunpunt Mensen Zonder Papieren, Belgium

**Elzbieta Kuzma** – Groupe d'études sur l'Ethnicité, Le Racisme, les Migrations et l'Exclusion (GERME),

ULB –Belgium

**Eric Somers** – Vlaams Minderheden Centrum (VMC), Belgium

**Eric Wynants** – Point d'Appui Liège, Belgium

**Eva Klippenstein** – Flüchtlingsrat Düsseldorf e.V., Germany

**Franck Düvell** – Medinetz Bremen, Germany – Executive Committee Member

**Fred Stangelaar** – Netwerk religieuzen voor Vluchtelingen, The Netherlands

**Frits P.M. Florin** – Adviseur Konferentie Nederlandse Religieuzen, Commissie PIN, The Netherlands

**George Joseph** – Caritas Sverige, Sweden – Executive Committee Member

**Gill Baden** – Barbed Wire Britain, United Kingdom

**Gisela Penteker** – IPPNW / Förderverein Niedersächsischer Flüchtlingsrat e.V., Germany

**Gommert Burger** – Stichting INLIA, Zeeland, The Netherlands

**Goos Minderman** – Churches'Commission for Migrants in Europe (CCME), The Netherlands

**Guillermo Alex Campusano Avica**, Sweden  
**Hans Arwert** – Dienstencentrum SoW-kerken – MDO Binnenland, Netherlands  
**Helen Schwenken** – Universität Gesamthochschule Kassel, Germany  
**Hélisène Habart**, Belgium  
**Hildegard Grosse** – BAG Asyl in der Kirche, Germany  
**Hilkka Becker** – Immigrant Council of Ireland, Ireland  
**Holk Stobbe** – Universität Göttingen, Germany  
**Imma Mata Burgarolas** – Cáritas Diocesana de Barcelona, Spain  
**Inge Van Nieuwenhuyze**, Belgium  
**Jan Stuyt SJ** – Jesuit Refugee Service Europe(JRS), Belgium  
**Jennifer Monahan** – Human Too, United Kingdom  
**Johan Wets** – Hoger Instituut Voor de Arbeid (HIVA), Belgium – Executive Committee Member  
**Joris Baeyens**, Belgium  
**Jos Deraedt**, Belgium – Vice Chair and Executive Committee Member  
**Kasaki Sule Collins** – United, Italy  
**Manuel Rodriguez Lopez** – Asociación Emprendedora de Acciones u Ayudas Humanitarias (AEAH), Spain  
**Margret Müller** – Flüchtlingsrat Kreis Coesfeld, Germany  
**Marielle Delorme** – Cimade, France  
**Marit Hovdal Moan** – Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Norway  
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