## Recommended web portals and opportunity for volunteers by Damian

- Inspiring reportage about service of Alarm Phone humanitarian organisation which communicates with people in distress at sea and navigate them to safety: <u>https://www.facebook.com/AJListeningPost/videos/783935115834904/</u>
- Indigo Volunteers Easiest way to get involved. You register and specify where and how do you prefer to volunteer. And they propose specific positions under various humanitarian organisations (Indigo saves you hours of e-mailing)
  - Long-term looking for someone who: has teaching skills (English, Sports, ...), has medical education, likes manual labour, likes to cook, can make games for children
  - Even two weeks of volunteer service is worth it (You do not have to get stuck in Lebanon for half year) <u>https://www.indigovolunteers.org/</u>
- Volunteer with Lighthouse Relief only in refugee camp near Athens (emergency response is not active) <u>https://www.lighthouserelief.org/volunteer</u> PLNU (Czech) Join or donate to Czech initiative Pomáháme lidem na útěku
  - Currently they are helping refugees to survive tough winter in Bosnia and Serbia, and they desire for new volunteers
- Other source of data on migration:
  - o <u>https://missingmigrants.iom.int/</u>
  - o <u>https://www.unhcr.org/globaltrends2019/</u>
  - o https://data2.unhcr.org/en/situations/mediterranean
  - o <u>https://plnu.cz/</u>

## Refugee citations:

- "I would never put my babies on this shitty dangerous boat if we were safe back home" (Afghani mother of 3 children)
- "During crossing sea, we were taking more and more water in the boat. All of us had to throw our small bag with all our previous lives off the board. And I was unable to give milk to my baby because I barely eat and the dry milk was in my bag." (Syrian mother with a baby)
- "Hellenic Coast Guard started to make circles around our boat. They created big waves which were pushing us in the direction of Turkish waters. Our boat was taking in water and the kids were screaming." (stateless man)
- "Economic migrants copy the path Europeans took during colonisation. White man didn't have any visa for it. Neither have we. He came to live off of African richness now the coin flips" (Joel Gomez, African self-called economic migrant)
- "Excuse me! Please, is this Europe?" (confused Pakistani man during landing)

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