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**STUDENTS**  
with foreign citizenship

**STUDENTS**  
born abroad

# INTERVIEWS



**STUDENTS**  
whose PARENTS or  
RELATIVES were born  
abroad or emigrated abroad

**TEACHERS**  
whose PARENTS or  
RELATIVES were born  
abroad or emigrated abroad



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STUDENTS WITH FOREIGN CITIZENSHIP



Argentina

Colombia

Germany

Mexico

Romania

Spain

Ukraine



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STUDENTS BORN ABROAD /WHOSE PARENTS WERE BORN ABROAD

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## **INTERVIEWS - QUESTIONNAIRE FOR STUDENTS**

**with foreign citizenship/born abroad /whose parents were born abroad**

**1. What reasons led you and/or members of your family to emigrate?**

- war
- financial difficulties
- anything else

**2. Was Italy chosen as an ultimate destination?**

- Yes
- not

**3. Any family member is abroad for business reasons?**

- Yes
- not

**4. Have you and/or members of your family had integration problems?**

- Yes
- not

**5. Have you ever suffered from discrimination of any kind in Italy?**

- Yes
- not

**6. Are you greeted appropriately at school?**

- Yes
- not

**7. Are you having trouble right now in your everyday life?**

- Yes
- not

**8. Do you expect to be helped by the community in which you live?**

- Yes
- not

**9. Would you like to live in Italy in the future?**

- Yes
- not

**10. Do you think the Italian society should change some ways of reception and integration?**

- Yes
- not



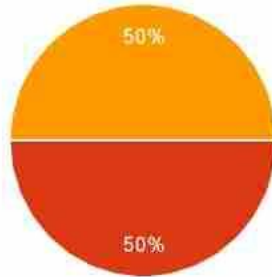
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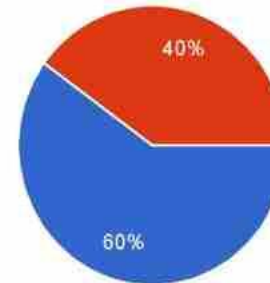
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1. Quali motivi hanno condotto te e/o membri della tua famiglia all'emigrazione?



Guerra	0	0%
Difficoltà economiche	4	50%
Altro	4	50%

2. È stata scelta l'Italia come meta specifica?



Sì	6	60%
No	4	40%





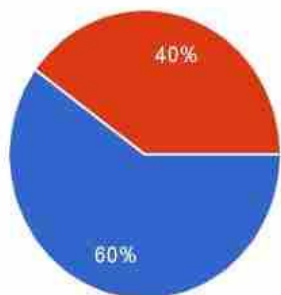
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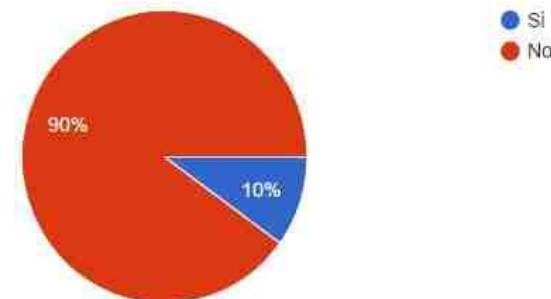
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3. Qualche membro della tua famiglia si trova all'estero per motivi lavorativi?



Si 6 60%  
No 4 40%

4. Tu e/o membri della tua famiglia hai/avete avuto problemi d'integrazione?



● Si  
● No



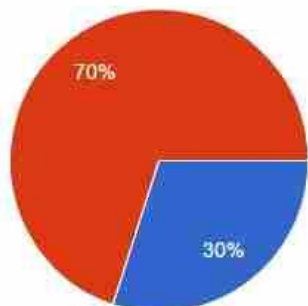
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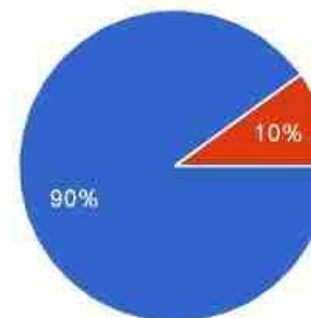
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5. Hai mai subito discriminazioni di qualsiasi tipo in Italia?



6. Sei stato accolto adeguatamente a scuola?



Si	9	90%
No	1	10%



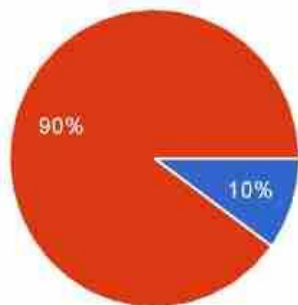
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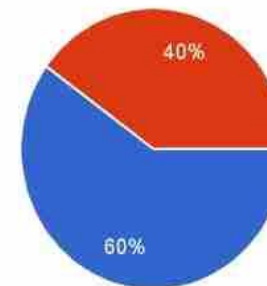
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7. Riscontri difficoltà in questo momento nella tua quotidianità?



Si 1 10%  
 No 9 90%

8. Ti aspetti di essere aiutato dalla comunità in cui vivi?



Si 6 60%  
 No 4 40%





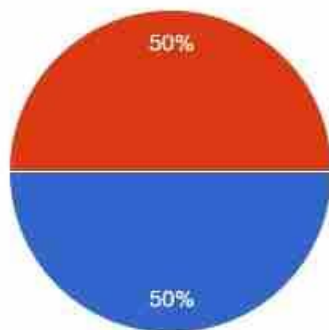
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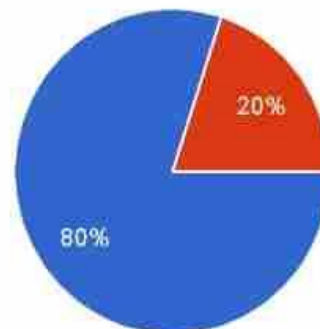
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9. Vorresti vivere in Italia in futuro?



● Si  
● No

10. Pensi che la società italiana dovrebbe cambiare alcune modalità di accoglienza e integrazione?



Si 8 80%  
No 2 20%



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# ITALIAN MIGRATION IN THE 19th and 20th CENTURY

Anni	Partenze
1876-1880	544.000
1881-1885	771.000
1886-1890	1.110.000
1891-1895	1.283.000
1896-1900	1.552.000
1901-1905	2.770.000
1906-1910	3.256.000
1911-1915	2.743.000
1916-1920	1.085.000
1921-1925	1.516.000
1926-1930	1.061.000
1931-1935	458.000
1936-1940	421.000
1941-1945	250.000
1946-1950	1.128.000
1951-1955	1.366.000
1956-1960	1.739.000
1961-1965	1.556.000
1966-1970	1.078.000
1971-1975	637.000
1976-1980	502.000
1981-1985	415.000
<b>Totale</b>	<b>27.241.000</b>

- GREAT MIGRATION AGE: 1876-1920s
- MIGRATION AFTER THE II WORLD WAR TO 1970s

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# INTERVIEW TEACHER

*Alessandro Salerno*



**whose mother  
was...**



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## FROM SLOVENIA

**What is the land of your birth family?**

The land of my mother is the present Slovenia. My mother was born in Postojna in 1930, in a land that has always boundary between the Latin, Slavic and Germanic areas. Until 1918 **Postojna** belonged to the multi-ethnic Austro-Hungarian Empire, it was ceded to Italy after the First World War, and remained Italian until 1943, when it was occupied by the Germans until 1945. My mother's family was mixed, Slavic and Italian; they spoke Slovenian and Italian.







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# INTERVIEW TEACHER

## Alessandro Salerno whose mother was...

**What was the reason why your mother's family had to come to Italy?**

After the war, strong discriminations started against the Italians by the new Yugoslavian government of Tito. The Italians who were not openly communists were persecuted; they could reach even the physical elimination in the "foibe"<sup>1</sup>.

<sup>1</sup> Foiba is a deep sinkhole.



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### foibe



*The Massacres of Foibe are the mass killings in which the majority of victims were ethnic Italians in 1943, after the capitulation of Italy on 8 September, and in 1945, when Yugoslav partisans under the command of Tito occupied parts of Venezia Giulia, Istria and Dalmatia. Some historians have claimed the violence and consequent Italian Istrian-Dalmatian exodus was a planned ethnic cleansing.*

# FROM SLOVENIA

After the 1947 peace treaties, it was given a year's time to the Italians to choose whether to remain in Yugoslavia, losing their Italian nationality, or to leave the country, remaining Italian. Almost all the Italians abandoned Istria, Dalmatia, Slovenia and the parts of Venezia-Giulia given to the new Yugoslav Republic. It was an exodus of some **350,000 people** who lost their land, jobs, goods, friendships, bonds, identity. My mother, at that time nineteen, in 1949 left the country with her parents and brothers, emigrating to Italy.



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# INTERVIEW TEACHER *Alessandro Salerno*



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# whose **MOTHER** was... from **SLOVENIA**

**Was Italy the country of destination or random choice?**

Italy was a chosen, but at the same time obliged, country. The family of my mother wanted to be Italian thanks to a strong attachment to the native land and to Catholicism. Once in Italy, they were obliged to leave Trieste and northern Italy, and choose one of the refugee camps set up in the South. They chose the one in Catania because of my grandfather's bond with Sicily. The refugee camps were terrible places where people lived crowded together in thousands, in poor health and safety conditions.



**The Dismemberment of Slovenia in 1941**  
(on a map showing the present borders of the country)

- Already part of Italy (since World War I)
- Added to Germany (Austria)
- Added to Italy
- Added to Hungary

**There have been problems of integration or other? If so, what?**

There were initially many integration problems for several reasons: for the local population the arrival of 'refugees' was one more problem and not expected in the years of reconstruction. They were regarded as foreigners at home and this hurt the patriotic feelings of the refugees; They supported a Central European civilization, generally much more advanced than the Sicilian one after World War II, so especially women found difficult to integrate in a backward country and strongly patriarchal. However, the fact the refugees shared the Italian language and religion with the Sicilians, together with their hard work, allowed in a few years their gradual integration in the local communities.



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# INTERVIEW STUDENT



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## whose grandparents

# EMIGRATED TO AUSTRALIA

1) What is the place of origin of your family?  
Italy.

2) Were there any emigrants in your family?  
Yes. My grandfather and my grandmother were  
nineteen when emigrated to  
**Australia.**

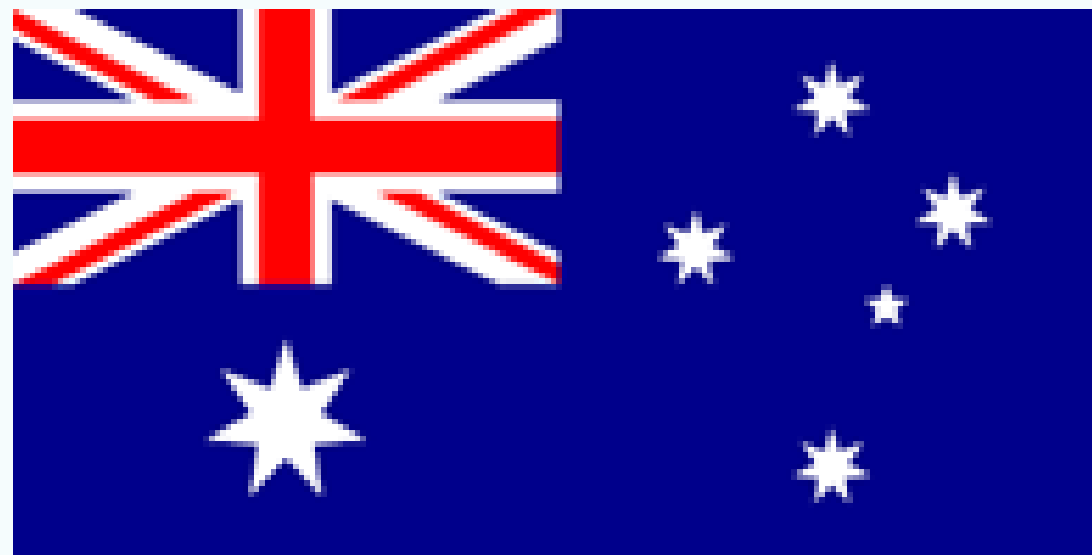
3) Why did they emigrate?  
For job. Before my grandfather had worked in sugar cane  
plantations, after that he opened an emporium.

4) Did they choose this country or did they go random to  
this country?  
They chose this country.

5) Did they have any problems in this country?  
Yes. In the plantations There were hard working conditions  
that also endangered the workers.

6) When did they emigrate?  
In the 1960s.

7) Did your grandparents come back to Italy?  
No, they died in Australia. When they died my mum and  
my aunts returned to Italy because of all their relatives  
lived here.







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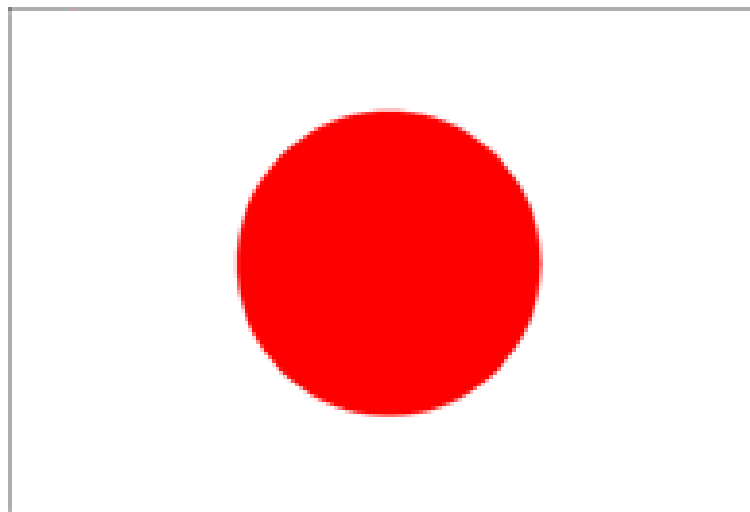
whose grandfather

# EMIGRATED TO JAPAN

- 1) What is the place of origin of your family?  
Italy.
- 2) Were there any emigrants in your family?  
Yes. My grandfather emigrated to **Japan**.
- 3) Why did he emigrate?  
For job
- 4) Did he choose this country or did he go random to this country?  
He chose this country.
- 5) Did they have any problems in this country?  
No, they didn't.
- 6) When did he emigrate?  
Between 1950 -1960.
- 7) How long did he live there?

A year and an half.

8) Why did he come back to Italy?  
He got married with my grandmother and she was in Italy.





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# INTERVIEW *STUDENT*



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whose great grandfather

# EMIGRATED TO *ARGENTINA*

- 1) What is the place of origin of your family?  
Italy.
- 2) Were there any emigrants in your family?  
Yes. My great grandfather emigrated to Argentina.
- 3) Why did he emigrate?  
For job.
- 4) Did he choose this country or did he go random to this country?  
He chose this country.
- 5) Did he have any problems in this country?  
No, he didn't.
- 6) When did he emigrate?  
In 1940.
- 7) How long did he live there?

- 8 years.
- 8) Why did he return to Italy?  
Because he managed to find job here.





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whose grandparents

# EMIGRATED TO FRANCE

- 1) What is the place of origin of your family?  
Italy.
- 2) Were there any emigrants in your family?  
Yes. My uncles emigrated to **France**.
- 3) Why did they emigrate?  
For job.
- 4) Did they choose this country or did they go random to this country?  
They chose this country.
- 5) Did they have any problems in this country?  
No, they didn't.
- 6) When did they emigrate?  
In the 1950s.

- 7) Did your uncles return in Italy?  
No, they didn't.





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# INTERVIEW TEACHER



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*Sonia Chiavaroli*

## whose PARENTS emigrated to CANADA

My name is Sonia Chiavaroli, I am a religion teacher, I live in Catania but I come from Pescara. I lived the first period of my life in Montreal, **Canada**.

I was only two years old when my father had to go away from Italy to find a work that would allow him to support my family. Fifty five years ago the situation in Italy, just out of the world war, was critical and difficult. In those years the economic recovery had not supported yet the small town in which we lived.

My aunt was already in Montreal with her husband so my father had the opportunity to go to Canada one year before my mother and me. The first two years we lived with my uncle and then we bought our own house. My father and my mother immediately found a job. The integration in this new culture occurred quite serenely, but not without difficulties. Especially because of the language. In Montreal people speak English and French. I attended an English school and my parents worked in a French factory.

My entry in an English school had been a little bit traumatic, but in the following years I had the opportunity to overcome difficulties.

Even if our life in Canada was great, after 10 years we came back to Italy because that was my father's dream. My integration in Italy had been really hard!



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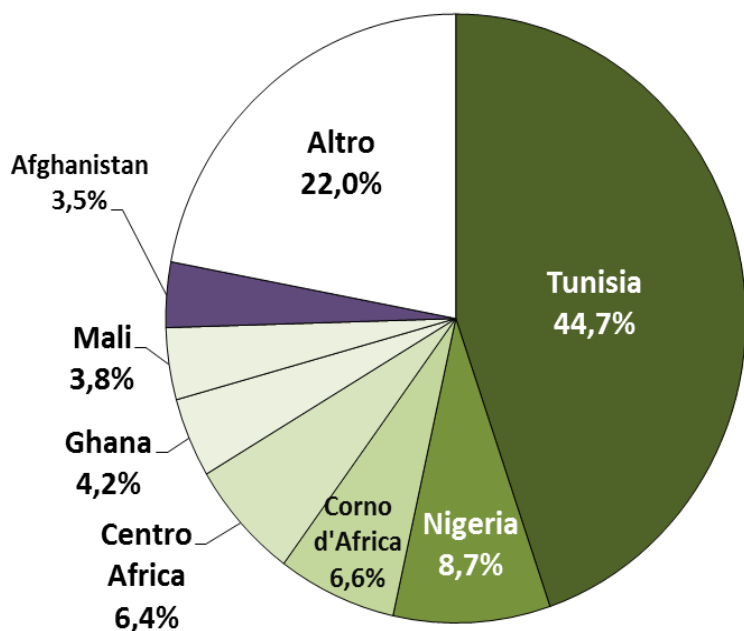


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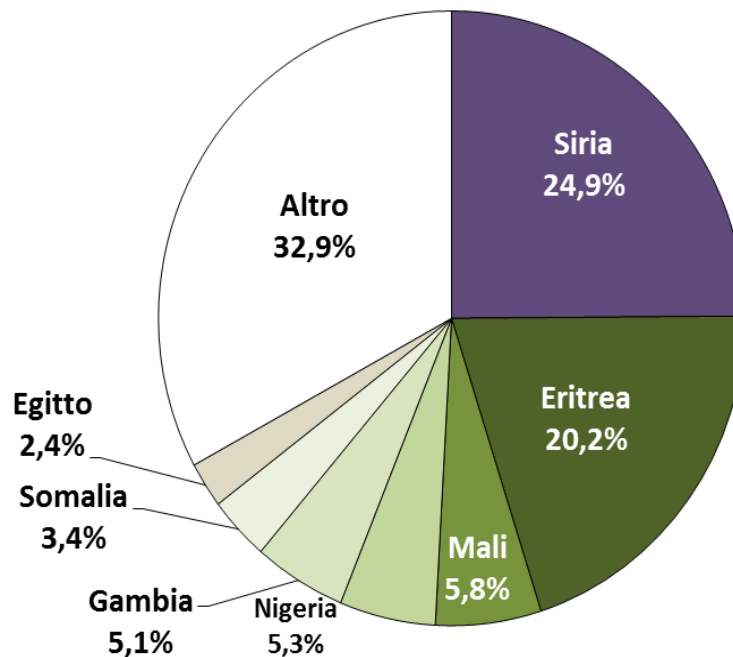
# ITALY XXI CENTURY

## REFUGEES and MIGRANTS LANDED IN SICILY : WHERE ARE THEY FROM?

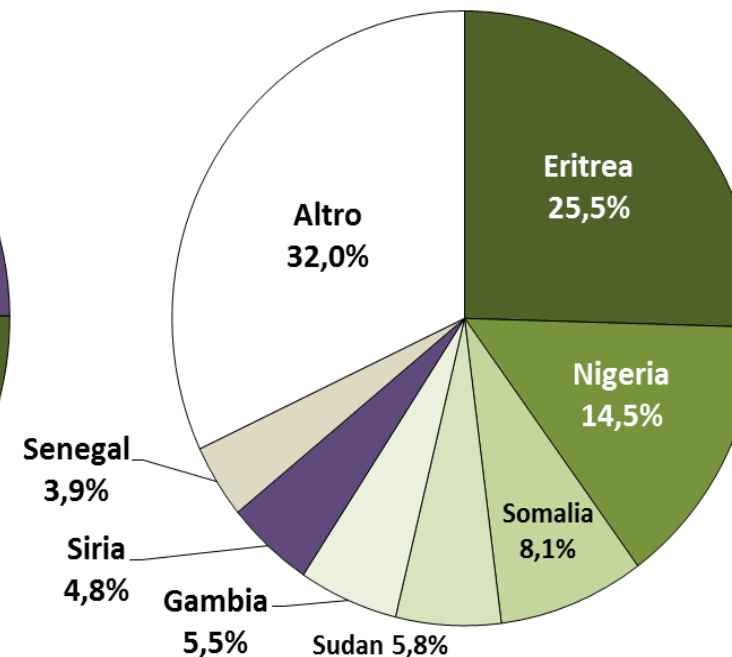
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**We often see scenes of boats crowded with people travelling from Africa who face the dangers of the sea.**

**WHO ARE THEY?**

**WHY ARE THEY RUNNING AWAY?**







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# MIGRANTS ASYLUM SEEKERS

- guests in a first reception centre for underaged people (Ghana, Costa D'Avorio, Gambia, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Togo and Mali)
- Adult from Cara Mineo: Mustafà (Sierra Leone)



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**Conference**  
**“Mediterranean**  
**Stories**  
**of landings**  
**and**  
**shipwrecks”**



**MIGRANTS**  
**STORIES**  
15<sup>th</sup> December 2016



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**Where are you from?  
What are the reasons which led  
you to go away from your  
country?**

He comes from Sierra Leone.  
His father was murdered  
because he was a political  
dissident.  
He left two sisters in his country  
and escaped with his mother to  
save themselves.  
He went to Libya, where his  
uncle lived but there they were  
robbed and then arrested without  
any valid reason.



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**Is any member of your family abroad?  
Did you choose Italy as your ultimate destination?**

When he was arrested he was separated from his mother and he did not hear from her. He remained two weeks in jail, when he was tortured.

While he was in prison he managed to escape and he is still wondering how.

At last he managed to stow away to Sicily...

Without understanding why...



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**MIGRANTS  
STORIES**

We heard about **stories** told by the migrants.

Not unknown faces but guys who told us about their pain and their hopes.

Underaged migrants talked about their experience in the hosting centre and thanked students volunteers.





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**THIS IS TIME TO BUILD BRIDGES, NOT WALLS,  
BETWEEN PEOPLE**

[Pope Francis - Speech to the Congress of the USA](#)



[Ban Ki Moon, Past UN Secretary General - Speech to the UN](#)





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# Thank you



**Mimma Furneri**  
**Sonia Chiavaroli**  
**Cinzia La Rosa**  
**Valeria Lo Bue**  
**Alessandro Salerno**