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Webinar for the Sea-Watch 5 anniversary - one year at sea: our crew takes you on board

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Thanks to your generous support we were able to send the *Sea-Watch 5* on eight rescue operations in the last year and bring over 800 people in distress at sea safely to land. I would like to say thank you today and personally invite you to our <u>webinar on Tuesday, 12 November 2024</u>. Let us look back on our operations together.

How does it feel to carry out search and rescue operations in times of increasing criminalization? What challenges arise from the requirement to immediately go to a prescribed port after a rescue operation, without being allowed to further respond to other distress calls? What does it really mean to be part of such a rescue operation? **Vera (Protection Officer), Mattea (Head of Mission) and Giulia (Media Coordinator) will take you on board.** You will get a first-hand perspective on what it's like to lead a team of 32 people on board, protect minors and other survivors with special needs, and coordinate media work on the ground. Join our experts as they give you their exclusive insights into work behind the scenes and answer your questions.

Date: Tuesday, 12 November 2024 Start: 8:00 p.m. Location: Online on Zoom

Note: The lecture will be held in German. An interpreter will provide simultaneous translation into English.

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Photo: Stefano Belacci

Vera heads a law firm in Berlin and handles legal matters for Sea-Watch. In April and May, she was a Protection Officer responsible for the protection and care of survivors.



Photo: Inken Dworak-Schulz

Mattea has been working with Sea-Watch since 2018 and was Head of Mission on Sea-Watch 5 in January and July.



Photo: Maria Giulia Trombini

Giulia is a spokesperson and part of the Sea-Watch media team. In January, she was on board as the Field Media Coordinator.

See you online on 12 November! Feel free to also bring friends or family to the call!



Photo: Paul Lovis Wagner

Solidarity and greetings from the Sea-Watch team,

Marlis