

# Annual Report 2022

The goal of SoliSoli is to defend the legal and human rights of vulnerable and marginalised groups such as people on the move or otherwise structurally disadvantaged groups through financial support to established associations and similar structures in Switzerland and abroad. Our main focus is to support people on the move in the EU buffer zones in the Western Balkans. SoliSoli is a non-governmental, non-profit and volunteer-run association created on 21st December 2020 in Zurich, Switzerland.

In 2022 – the second year of exercise of SoliSoli – we collected a total of CHF 9'692.- through donations on our website, a solidarity cooking action and the sale of t-shirts and bags in collaboration with the collective Soli Druck. The donations are roughly the same amount as the CHF 9'380.- collected in 2021.



The solidarity cooking action took place in Zurich within the frame of the Quartierfest Wollishofen on the 21st of May 2022. We prepared vegan Balkan cuisine: Mućkalica, two salads and two desserts. While getting their food served, people got informed about SoliSoli and the causes we are fighting for. We decided on a free pricing policy and people spent between CHF 3.- to CHF 50.- per meal. In total we served about 400 meals during the event for a

total of CHF 3'969.-. Minus the CHF 600.- of the costs for the raw ingredients, the generated benefit of the cooking action was CHF 3'369.-. The people we met during the cooking action were touched by our initiative and were more than happy to support us financially, with a smile on their face.

Next to the food stand, our friends from Soli Druck brought their prints and t-shirts, but also information about the Frontex-Referendum, on which Swiss citizens had to vote a few days earlier. The Referendum was asking for a rise in Switzerland's financial contribution to the expansion of Europe's Frontex border agency. The result of this referendum is highly saddening with up to 70% of the Swiss population backing it up.

The collective Soli Druck continued to design t-shirts, bags and postcards throughout the year, which were to be bought in different actions and events, such as the "enough. - Action days on migration struggles and anti-racist resistance".

The same year, SoliSoli did a new action of collecting second hand walking crutches within and around Zurich. All the crutches collected were then sent to KlikAktiv in Belgrade at the end of the action.

To wrap up, we are happy about this second year of exercise while we expected a bigger increase in donations compared to our first year of existence. During that year, we could also further strengthen our bonds with both organisations in the Western Balkans and continue to contribute creating visibility for their work in Switzerland.

For 2023, we plan to organise a soliparty in July at the cultural centre Rote Fabrik in Zurich together with possible lectures and talks. We also plan at least one cooking action, while investing more energy in the collaboration with Soli Druck. We also plan to strengthen our communication on different media to increase SoliSoli's visibility and the general awareness about our work while hopefully getting more people to donate.