Online Training

Holistic approaches to identification in

Migrant Mass Fatalities

Date: 22nd September 2026

Location:
https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/321630670451610?p=LvK2mBd1ItUA8knq8w

Organizes:

- MDVI COST Action Working Group 4

Coordinators:

- Julie Robert
- Jessica Liu

AGENDA (might be subjected to changes)

- **10:45am Introduction – Julie Roberts and Jessica Liu**

Holistic ID methods

- 11:00-11:30 – A study on the use of new technologies in the identification and search for missing or deceased persons in migration – Emma Johnston
- 11:30 – 11:50 – Methods for Waterborne Body Recovery – Yohan Gerard
- 11:50-12:10: Marks of Identity: The Role of Body Modifications in the Forensic Identification of Migrants – Jan Bikker

- **12:10 - 12:30 – Break**

Crete project: With focus on collaboration volunteering

- Identification challenges in MDVI contexts
- 12:30 - 12:45 The Cretan Example - Despoina E Flouri
- 12:45 - 13:00 The Mytilene Project - Sophia R Mavroudas
- 13:00 - 13:10 Collaborative Initiatives and logistics - Elena F Kranioti
- 13:10 - 13:30 Discussion

- **13:30-14:00 lunch break**

Funeral practice

- 14:00 – 14:30: Panel session 4 speakers on funeral procedures
- Funeral procedure including consideration of religious and cultural practices
- 14:00 – 14:20 Muslim Burial Requirements - Mohamed Omer
- 14:20 – 14:40 Hindu and Sikhi faith - Chandu
- 14:40 – 15:00 Jewish faith - David Katz
- 15:00 – 15:15: Discussion