In the last decade governments increased their use of immigration detention in response to growing migration. Inhumane detention conditions and the detention of children has also risen, amidst escalating racism and xenophobia towards migrants, refugees, asylum seekers, and stateless people. Further, the 2020 impacts of Covid-19 brought worldwide systemic shock to governments, civil society, and the detention experience.



WHO WE ARE

IDC is a powerful global network of 400+ organisations, groups, individuals, as well as representatives of communities impacted by immigration detention, based in over 100 countries. IDC staff work across the world, nationally and regionally, in Africa, the Americas, Asia Pacific, Europe, the Middle East and North Africa, and at the global level.

VISION

A world where immigration detention no longer exists and people who migrate live with rights and dignity.

MISSION

IDC advocates to secure the human rights of people impacted by and at-risk of immigration detention. In partnership with civil society, UN agencies, and multiple levels of government, we strategically build movements, and influence law, policy and practices to reduce immigration detention and implement rights-based alternatives to detention (ATD).

STRATEGIC GOALS

- End immigration detention
- Establish rights-based ATD as a best practice



OUR APPROACH

IDC is a global organisation with a localised worldview. We respect the unique expertise, systems, and frameworks that shape opportunities and challenges in different parts of the world. In the coming years, IDC aims to:



Build Movement Strengthen civil society movements on immigration detention reform and rights-based ATD



Reform Laws & Policies Reform laws and policies to reduce immigration detention and increase rights-based ATD



Change Practices Reduce the use of immigration detention in practice, particularly through the use of rights-based ATD

IDC sets a collaborative agenda for change through our core approaches:

- Advocacy
- Research
- Coalition & Capacity Building

IDC prioritises cross-cutting strategic practices that underpin our activities:

- **Multi-Level Peer-Learning** facilitates the development of communities of practice through sharing ideas, experiences, knowledge, challenges, as well as encouraging ongoing support among stakeholders, particularly networks of ATD implementers.
- **Lived Experience Leadership** ensures that people with lived experience of detention are involved in shaping the policies that directly impact their own lives and communities. IDC sees this representation as key to systemic social change.

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