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SUSTAINABLE ALLIANCES AGAINST ANTI-MUSLIM HATRED

Challenging anti-Muslim hatred in Ireland

Welcome to the Sustainable Alliances Against Anti-Muslim Hatred (SALAAM) project.

SALAAM is a European Commission funded project based in the University of Limerick, working in partnership with civil society organisations Doras, the Immigrant Council of Ireland and the Irish Network Against Racism.

Since it commenced in March of 2022, the overall focus of the SALAAM project has been to create resources designed to challenge anti-Muslim hatred in Ireland. These include the development of outputs such as anti-racism training; resources to support those who have experienced racism; and public awareness campaigns such as this.

Previous research undertaken on anti-Muslim hatred in Ireland has demonstrated that almost one-in-three Muslim men and women had experienced anti-Muslim hostility and/or discrimination. Importantly, when comparing experiences, Muslim women were almost twice as likely to experience anti-Muslim hatred, be it hostility or discrimination, when compared to Muslim men.

Research conducted on behalf of the Immigrant Council of Ireland published in 2016, further underscored the lived experiences of anti-Muslim hatred in Ireland. Participants of that study also recalled experiencing hostility and discrimination that targeted them in whole or in part on the basis of their Muslim identity.

The following collection of stories derives from discussions gathered during the SALAAM project with almost two-hundred members of Ireland's Muslim communities from March to December 2022. Participants were based in Dublin, Cork, Limerick and Galway and gave generously of their time and hospitality.
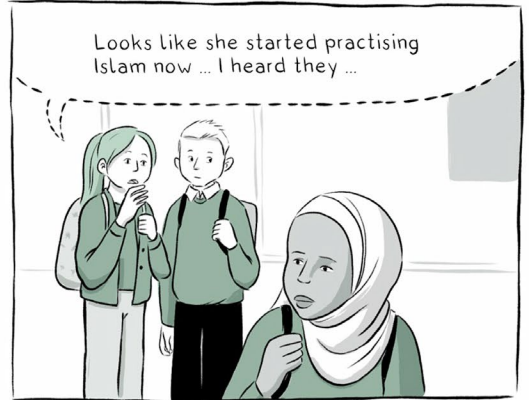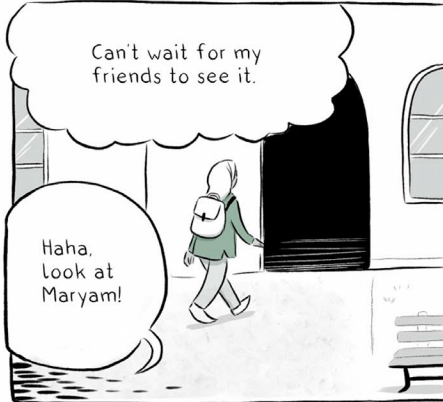
This selection provides insights into the negative experiences and related impacts of anti-Muslim hatred as shared by participants. However, to this we have also included some of the positive experiences that participants recalled. It is hoped that by sharing these insights, we can go some way toward raising the public consciousness of this phenomenon and its potential impact on those targeted.

We want to conclude by thanking all of those who participated in SALAAM, all partner organisations, the project team and all of those who supported us.
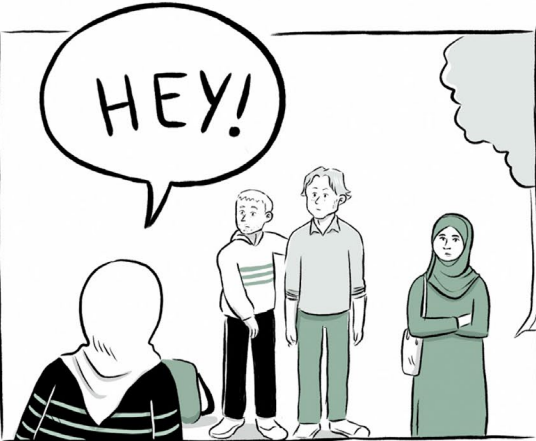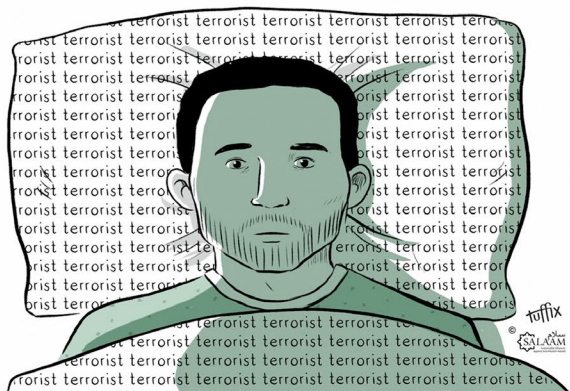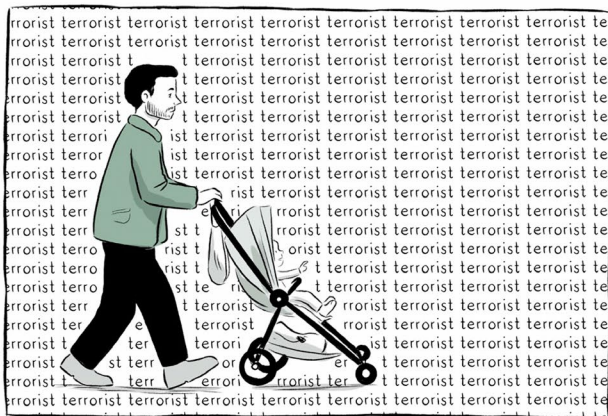
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MISTAKE

Perfect, looking forward to working with you soon. See you tomorrow.

This is gonna be great! My first proper job!

SUNSHINE NURSERY

Mrs. Kelly? This is Selma. Thank you so much for this opportunity.

Um, sorry.

It must be a mistake. There are no vacancies.

But we spoke on the phone... just yesterday...

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Another day in university.

Can't wait for my friends to see it.

Haha, look at Maryam!

Looks like she started practising Islam now ... I heard they ...

After class.

Maryam, I'd like to talk to you please.

So, I noticed that you have changed your appearance since yesterday.

Oh no, I knew it. He's gonna talk to the professor and call my parents. And he's gonna ask me to take it off.

I wanted to let you know that if anyone is giving you a hard time because of the way you chose to dress you can always talk to me.

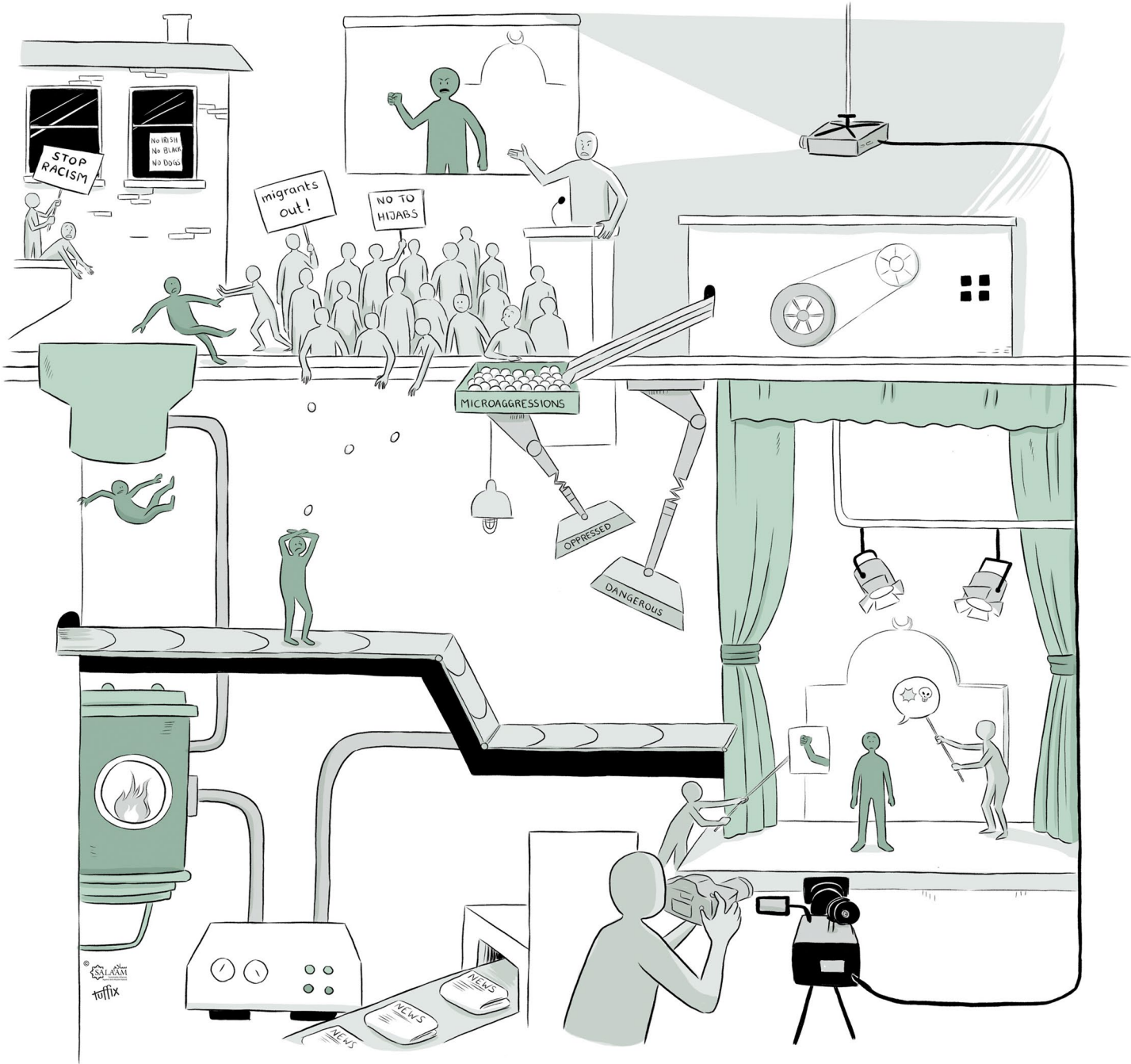You can always talk to me.

If you or anyone you know has experienced or witnessed racism, you can report it to An Garda Síochána via their online Hate Crime Reporting system. You can also make a report to the Irish Network Against Racism via the iReport system.

Click on the links below to learn more.

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Irish Network Against
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