



Doctors of The World

Wherever people are...

Mother & Child



MSD for mothers

Committed to Saving Lives

# In The Border of Life



**Médecins du Monde – Greece**, was established in 1990 and they constitute a unique Greek Organization. At the same time however they remain part of the International Network of MdM which consists of 15 chapters. The guiding principle underlying MdM's activities is that every human being has a right to humanitarian assistance, irrespective of their ethnic origin, religion, gender, race, sexual orientation, ideology or political persuasion. MdM are, therefore, guided by the principles of neutrality and impartiality. Being neutral, however, does not preclude MdM from speaking out. MdM fight injustice in all its forms. Constant defenders of human rights MdM object decisively to social exclusion and the marginalization of vulnerable groups.

**MSD for Mothers**, is a 10-year \$500 million initiative focused on improving the health and well – being of mothers during pregnancy and childbirth. MSD for Mothers is working on more than 50 projects in more than 30 countries around the world. 6,081,773 women have received improved access to affordable, quality care and modern contraceptives.

# Introduction

**“Mother & Child”** project is a 2 year program implemented in Greece, since May 2016, by the Doctors of the World, supported by MSD for Mothers program.

The program offers maternal health services to pregnant women and their babies, before, during and after childbirth.

***“Mothers for life – Life for Mothers”***

Arrival

**1,000,000** refugees have taken the treacherous journey across land and sea in search of a safety since 2015.

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**No words** can describe the feelings of holding you safe in my arms.

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The start of a new life

**Refugees** started life in a refugee camp. Facing difficult living conditions and uncertainty about their futures.

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**Even through** the most difficult living conditions, children don't forget to smile.

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Being cared for

**Doctors of the World** have seen 28,000 mothers and children since the Mother & Child program began in May 2016. Also they have collected valuable information on the health needs of this population as they travel to other countries in the EU where they will eventually settle.

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**Still** there is hope for a better future, for better access to healthcare, an issue of Fundamental Human Rights.

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