

Review of: "Is It Real? The Construction of Prejudice Against Nigerian Immigrants in Italy: A Case Study"

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The article addresses a topic of great current relevance and sociological and legal importance, analyzing the construction of prejudice against Nigerian immigrants in Italy, with particular attention to their alleged involvement in the sex market. The author uses an interesting judicial case study to examine how mainstream stereotypes and representations can influence the process of criminalizing an entire ethnic group.

The main strength of the work lies in its interdisciplinary approach, which effectively combines elements of sociology, criminology, and media studies to offer a rich and multifaceted perspective on the phenomenon. The use of a concrete case allows the theoretical analysis to be anchored to empirical evidence, making the argumentation more solid and convincing. Particularly appreciable is the critical analysis of the process of constructing prejudice, well-argued and supported by relevant theoretical references. Interesting insights emerge on the role of the media and "moral entrepreneurs" in fueling stereotypes and moral panic, offering an original contribution to the debate on the criminalization of migrants.

In my opinion, the work also presents some areas that could be further improved.

The methodological section, for example, would deserve a more detailed description, better explaining the criteria for selecting and analyzing the data used.

The argumentation, while overall convincing, at times appears somewhat scattered: the logical thread of the discourse could be strengthened to make the presentation of ideas more effective.

Some analytical passages could be supported by further empirical evidence to increase their solidity.

Furthermore, a more in-depth comparison with the most recent literature on the subject could further enrich the discussion and better contextualize the author's contribution in the landscape of current studies.

Finally, the conclusions could be developed more extensively, offering concrete suggestions for possible interventions or policies aimed at countering the stigmatization mechanisms highlighted.

Overall, the article offers a stimulating and original contribution to the debate on the criminalization of migrants, highlighting the complex social and media mechanisms that fuel prejudices and stereotypes. With some methodological and argumentative refinements, the work can represent an important element of reflection for both the academic world

and professionals in the field.