## Ghita Ait Bensalah

AIR - ARTIST IN RESIDENCE Niederösterreich, February - March 2023.

1. How was the residency? Advantages and disadvantages of AIR Niederösterreich:

The residency was amazing, the advantages are that the artists had a total freedom of working on whatever project they wanted and the way they would manage their time. Another advantage is that the office is right next to the studio and not only it offers bicycles, but Klaus and Lisa are very sweet and helpful whenever we would need anything from them. Another amazing advantage is that studios are in a very strategic placement where the artists have free access to so many galleries and museums including the cinema. I can't think about an advantage during the residency, everything was provided and very well organized.

2. What did you realize during your residency period

I have worked on my personal comic book as well as started a new illustration series called "the witches of Morocco".

3. What did you miss at the residency?

Honestly The residency is perfect and I am a bit sad I will be leaving so soon.

4. What do you appreciate at AIR Niederösterreich?

I appreciate the concept of having different artists from different fields coming together in a shared and private space. It gives the opportunity to have contact with different kind of profiles.

List all projects, workshops, concerts, exhibitions, events etc. that you realized or participated in during your residency. Please add all data (title, date, time, place).

- Worked on my personal comic book and the witches illustration series.







## -Visited many museums in Vienna. ( $belvedere\ museum - Leopold - Momok)$







- Visited the Linz NEXTCOMIC festival as well as the Nordic Gallery.











