



# Forced Labour Exploitation and Counter Trafficking in the Baltic Sea Region

## DEFLECT Project Expert Conference

Holmenkollen Park Hotel Rica, Oslo, 7 – 8 June 2011



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## Invitation

The Council of the Baltic Sea States' Task Force against Trafficking in Human Beings (CBSS TF-THB), The European Institute for Crime Prevention and Control, affiliated with the United Nations (HEUNI) and the Norwegian Ministry of Justice and the Police invites representatives from agencies and organisations working to combat trafficking in human beings for forced labour exploitation from each CBSS Member State to our Expert Conference on Forced Labour Exploitation and Counter Trafficking in the Baltic Sea Region.

In this brochure you will find information about the background to the DEFLECT project and the objectives that it seeks to achieve as well as practical information - and an agenda for the Expert Conference.

We look forward to welcoming you to Oslo.



Senior Adviser, Ministry of Justice and the Police  
Chair of the CBSS Task Force against Trafficking in Human Beings

## Project Background

DEFLECT is a trans-national project that will enhance local capacity to counter trafficking in human beings for forced labour and collect comparable data in the 11 CBSS Member States. The data will then be used to encourage innovative thinking and policy making regarding data collection mechanisms and will produce guidelines to facilitate the collection of these data. It will directly communicate the research findings to actors in the field and equip them with tools to identify and assist victims and collect data.

The project will be implemented in two phases, commencing with this expert level conference for operative practitioners. This will lay the foundation for a baseline study on forced labour exploitation and trafficking in the CBSS Member States, and for guidelines for improving the data collection practices in this sector. Phase one will also see the development of a training curriculum for

practitioners who have the capacity to identify, assist and protect victims of trafficking for forced labour, but who may not currently have the knowledge or skills to do so.

Phase two will implement the training curriculum in a series of seminars that aim to increase the focus on, and knowledge of, trafficking for forced labour exploitation among operative practitioners. The content of the seminars and the input given during them will be gathered in a handbook that will be distributed to the participants of the training seminars and other practitioners.

## Project Objectives

The overall objective of DEFLECT is to prevent trafficking in human beings for forced labour, to identify, assist and protect victims and to provide a firm basis for policy development through improved data collection and training of key labour actors.

## Participation

Approximately 80 participants from the Baltic Sea Region will take part in the Expert Conference.

## Target Area: Baltic Sea Region

The following countries are CBSS Member States: Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Iceland, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Poland, the Russian Federation and Sweden.

## Target Group

Representatives from labour inspectorates, trade unions, employment agencies, law enforcement, specialist service providers, tax and customs officials and government ministries.

## Language Requirements

The conference will be held in English without interpretation. However, participants will have the opportunity to form discussions groups arranged by country so that discussions can ensue in their native languages before returning to plenary discussions.

## Participant Registration

To register your interest in attending this conference please complete the online Registration Form before 27 May 2011 - <http://www.cbss.org/Civil-Security-and-the-Human-Dimension/deflect-project>

Places are limited. We will reply to all registrations to confirm whether or not we have capacity. Therefore, please do not make any travel arrangements until you have received a positive confirmation from the CBSS TF-THB.

## Date and Location

The Conference will take place on 7 – 8 June 2011. It will open with a half day on 7

June, commencing with registration and a lunch between 12.30 and 14.00. The agenda for 7 June runs until 18.00 to be followed by dinner for all participants. The agenda on 8 June runs from 9.30 through to 17.00. The draft agenda is enclosed.

The venue lies on the outskirts of Oslo at Holmenkollen Park Hotel Rica, Kongeveien 26, 0787 Oslo. For further information about the venue:

<http://www.holmenkollenparkhotel.no/en.html>

## Local travel in Oslo

Gardermoen is the main airport serving Oslo. It is advised to take the Airport Express Train (Flytoget) from the airport to Oslo Central Station. The journey time is 19 minutes and trains leave every 10 minutes. See <http://www.flytoget.no/eng/>

For flights arriving to Rygge airport there are regular trains and buses to Oslo. See: <http://www.en.ryg.no/transport>

From Oslo Central Station take Metro line 1 towards Frognerseteren. Get off at Holmenkollen. From the stop you walk up past Holmenkollen restaurant and take left at Kongeveien.

It is advised not to take a taxi from Gardermoen to the hotel as they are very expensive. All local travel costs are covered by the per diem and cannot be claimed individually.

## Accommodation

There are a limited number of rooms available at the venue. Alternatively we advise seeking accommodation in Oslo.

## Visa

Participants are responsible for obtaining all necessary visas. The costs of obtaining visas are to be carried by the participant.

## Contact Information

For further information and enquiries, please contact:

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The Task Force against Trafficking in Human Beings was established in 2006 within the framework of the Council of the Baltic Seas States. It is composed of national experts from the relevant government ministries in the 11 CBSS capitals. The overall objective is to counteract trafficking in human beings in the Baltic Sea Region and its near vicinity through preventive and protective activities. The TF-THB's strategic projects have included:

- Training Seminars and Handbook for Diplomatic and Consular Personnel
- Joint Project with the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) on fostering NGO and Law Enforcement Cooperation in Preventing and Combating Human Trafficking in, from and to the Baltic Sea Region
- Model Memorandum of Understanding between law enforcement agencies and specialist service providers.
- *Safe Trip* national information campaign in Sweden
- Assessment Study on Data Collection Mechanisms in the Baltic Sea Region

For further information see: [www.cbss.org/tfthb](http://www.cbss.org/tfthb)



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### Draft Agenda

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#### 7 June

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| 12.30 – 13.00 | <b>Registration</b>  |
| 13.00 – 14.00 | <b>Lunch</b> (provided to all participants)  |
| 14.00 – 14.30 | <b>Welcome Address and Opening Remarks</b><br><i>Jan Austad</i> , Senior Adviser on Human Trafficking, Ministry of Justice and the Police, Chair of the CBSS Task Force against Trafficking in Human Beings, Norway.   |
| 14.30 – 15.30 | <b>Panel One: Human trafficking for Forced Labour Exploitation</b><br><i>Liliana Sorrentino</i> , Executive Adviser to the Special Representative and Co-ordinator for Combating Trafficking in Human Beings, OSCE, Austria.<br><i>Michaëlle de Cock</i> , Senior Anti-Trafficking Consultant, International Labour Organization, Switzerland.   |
| 15.30 – 15.45 | <b>Coffee Break</b> (provided to all participants)   |
| 15.45 – 16.30 | <b>Panel One (continued): Human trafficking for Forced Labour Exploitation</b><br><i>Floris van Dijk</i> , Advisor on combating human trafficking, Ministry of Social Affairs and Employment, The Netherlands.<br><i>Alexia Taveau</i> , Project Coordinator, Anti-Human Trafficking and Migrant Smuggling Unit, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), Austria.  |
| 16.30 – 18.00 | <b>Experiences of Forced Labour Exploitation in the Baltic Sea Region</b><br>Introduced by <i>Anna Ekstedt</i> , Senior Advisor to the CBSS Task Force against Trafficking in Human Beings, Sweden<br>Findings from the pre-conference questionnaire introduced by <i>Ciaran Morrissey</i> , Project Officer to the CBSS Task Force against Trafficking in Human Beings, Sweden<br><br>16.45 – 17.15 National discussions<br>17.15 – 18.00 Plenary discussions |
| 19.30         | <b>Dinner</b> (provided to all participants)   |

## 8 June

- 09.30 – 11.00**                      **Panel Two: Prevention Strategies against Forced Labour Exploitation**  
*Klara Skrivankova*, Trafficking Programme Coordinator, Anti-Slavery International, United Kingdom.  
*Jeroen Beirnaert*, Project Coordinator Forced Labour and Trafficking. International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC), Belgium.  
*Peter Van Hauwermeiren*, Director Social Inspectorate, Ministry of Social Security, Belgium
- 11.00 – 11.15**                      **Coffee Break** (provided to all participants)
- 11.15 – 12.30**                      **Panel Three: Existing Knowledge and Tools in the Fight against Forced Labour Exploitation**  
*Natalia Ollus*, Senior Programme Officer, and *Anniina Jokinen*, Researcher, The European Institute for Crime Prevention and Control, affiliated with the United Nations (HEUNI), Finland  
*Marta Bociek*, Author of the CBSS Task Force against Trafficking in Human Beings study “Hard Data: Data Collection Mechanisms in the Baltic Sea Region”, Germany.
- 12.30 – 13.00**                      **Plenary Discussions**
- 13.00 – 14.00**                      **Lunch** (provided to all participants)
- 14.00 – 14.45**                      **Panel Four: Examples of forced labour exploitation in the Baltic Sea Region**  
*Svetlana Boincean*, Coordinator of Migration Policy, International Union of Food and Agriculture (IUF), Russian Federation.  
*Gunnar Stølsvik*, Head of the Norwegian National Advisory Group against Organized illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing, Ministry of Fisheries, Norway
- 14.45 – 15.30**                      **National discussions**
- 15.30 – 15.45**                      **Coffee Break** (provided to all participants)
- 15.45 - 16.15**                      **Panel Four (continued): Examples of forced labour exploitation in the Baltic Sea Region**  
*Anders Lisborg*, Danish Centre against Human Trafficking (CMM), Denmark  
*Charles Woolfson*, Institute for Research on Migration, Ethnicity and Society, Linköping University, Sweden
- 16.15 - 16.45**                      **Plenary discussions**
- 16.45 – 17.00**                      **Closing Remarks**